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Hello My Friends,
Well, it is May already and here in the UK, and there are flowers blooming and birds singing. We hope to bring you a bit of this cheerfulness with our May articles.
Big hugs, Topsy xxx



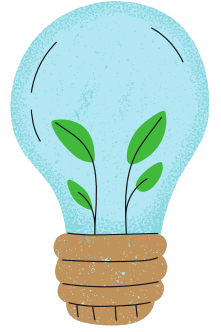
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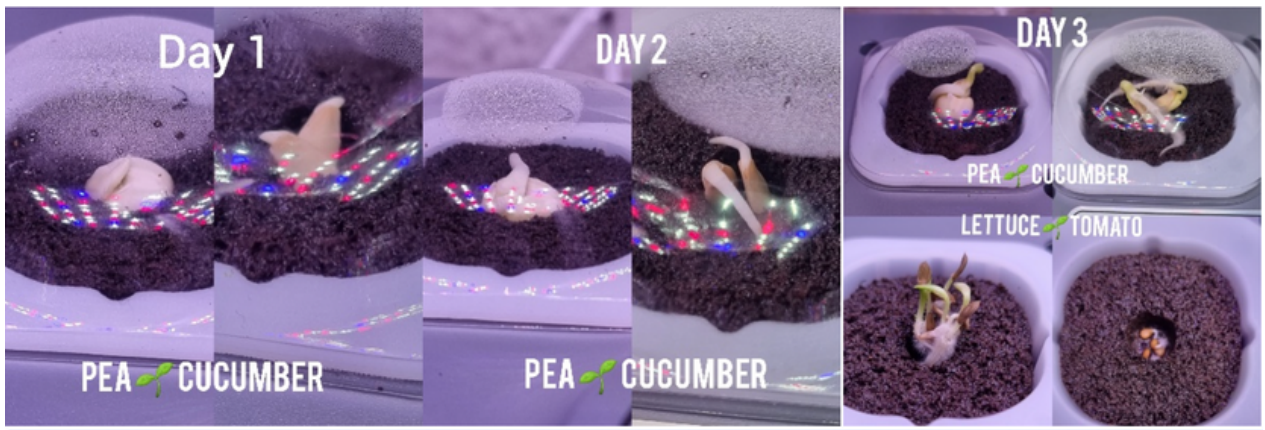
The Hydroponics Experiment: Part 1



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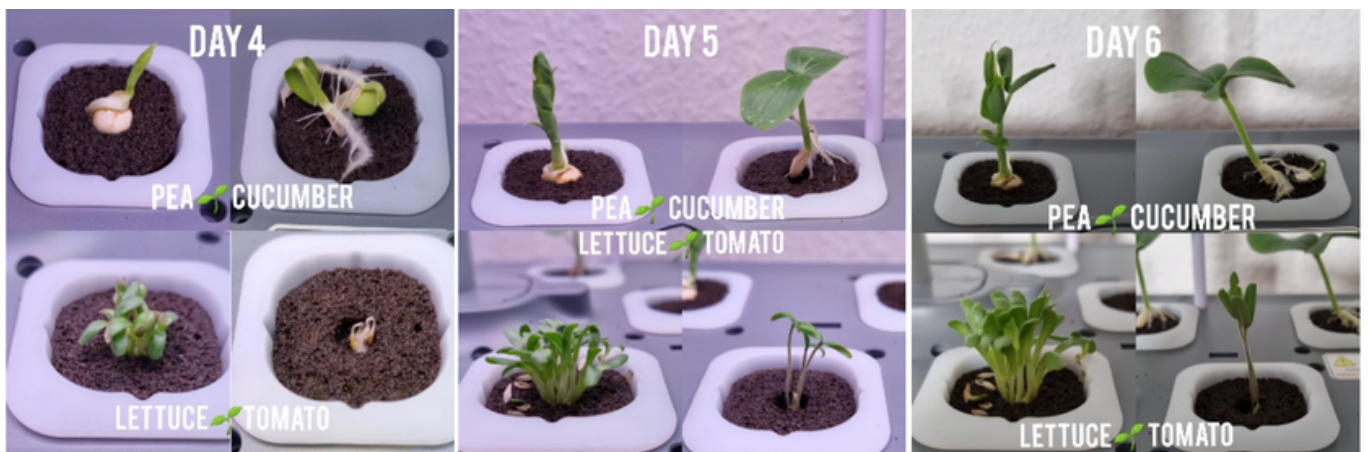
Dear allotment gardeners and big city farmers, we want to tell you about our indoor garden!

It all started with the Christmas gift from Human 2 to Human 1 and us. We chose tomatoes (yellow & red), cucumber, pea and lettuce, and have shown the development of the plants in the first week in pictures.



Hydroponics is a type of horticulture and a subset of hydroponic cultivation in which plants, usually crops, are grown without soil using mineral nutrient solutions in an aqueous solvent.

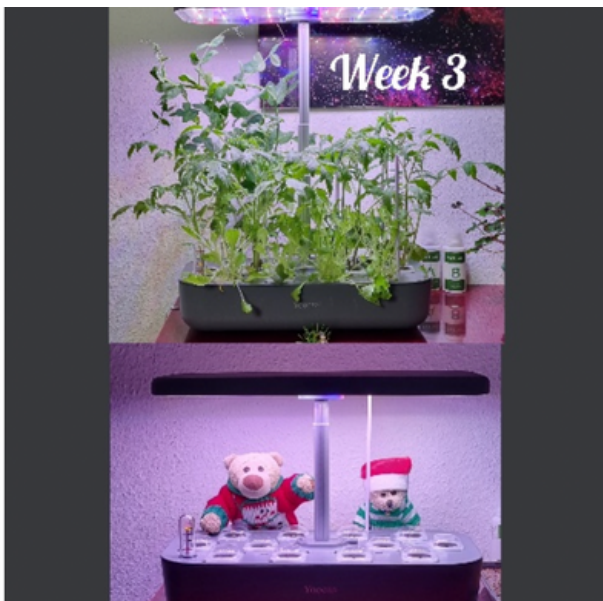
Our hydroponic system has room for 12 plants, has a pump that circulates the nutrient solution and a timer that provides 16 hours of light and then simulates night for 8 hours.



Already after a week, we could report success! All the seeds had sprouted and the plants were thriving. We fertilised 1x/week with the special fertiliser for hydroponic systems.



After 3 weeks we had a small forest of tomatoes. And the lettuce was ready to be harvested.



#CookieWillBringYouFlowers



by [@cookiemreport](#)

Hi everybody. Somewhere, a while ago, during Covid-19 lockdowns, me decided to bring some cheer and beauty to Instagram with the hashtag [#cookiewillbringyouflowers](#). It was inspired since me heard the song 'You don't bring me flowers' by the great Barbra Streisand and Neil Diamond. Me thought that was so sad. Cuz flowers brighten up everybody's day. Cuz they are flowers. They are beautiful. They bring peace. They have the flower power to comfort you or make you smile. So me decided ME will bring EVERYBODY as MANY flowers as me could. And what a great way to show you the beauty and comforting power of nature at the same time?



Living in the Netherlands makes it very easy to bring a lot of Spring flowers your way. Me live in Tulip country, right? Well, me one lucky monster to have a bestie human who has press thingies at Keukenhof and takes me almost everywhere where she goes (it the benefit of being backpack right). She also loves to take pictures of me (and Bamboo, Nijntje and other friends) in between the flowers. Because – and me quote – *'We look so darn cute'* when she does. The best thing is, that me have a stash of pictures so me can bring you Springtime flowers all year.



When Keukenhof is closed, we try to find flowers elsewhere. Luckily we live in a suburb that is really known for his nature. Cuz nature is healing. It heals when you are sad. A tree or flower do not judge you, they listen and give you a serene energy back. We hope every plushie and every human can enjoy that when needed. Take a stroll or a bike ride and go in search of flowers and beautiful sights to see. Let your human take a deep breath while doing so. It helps. Nature can really calm your nerves. We love taking me Berry outside when she has been too busy with everything. Why? Well, being outside takes your mind off things. When you worried just go for a walk or a bike ride and breathe in the air and listen to the birds and look at all the prettiness nature has to offer.



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Plushie Book Review



by @spybatmissions

The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society - Mary Ann Shaffer (2008)

This book starts in London in 1946. For Juliet Ashton, things are getting back to normal after the war, and her writing career is looking brighter and brighter. One day, she receives a letter from a stranger named Dawsey Adams who lives on the Channel Island Guernsey. He has come across a book that used to belong to Juliet, and found her address in it. He likes the books and asks for recommendations. In this way, Juliet starts corresponding with several members of a local book club on Guernsey, and she learns about their lives and about the German occupation of the Island during the war.

That's the prerequisite for a wonderful story that shows that in the midst of despair you can always find hope and strength in friendship and books. The whole book consists of letters to and from Juliet and the other characters. It's so cleverly written that you won't want to put it down after you read the first few letters. You simply must know what happens to all these lovely people.

