

# Terra

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### Life is expensive as it is

Since everything has become so much more expensive over the last years, my girlfriend and I decided to start growing for ourselves. We have been living together in Madrid for around three years now and we both really enjoy growing our own. The decision to grow for ourselves was made quickly! When we moved to a different accommodation we could make a perfect growing room from the extra bedroom.

for them to have to do their best to find food, and this is what gives them really strong roots. I don't give any feeding in the first week but a little CANNA RHIZOTONIC. It's only after a week that I start giving CANNA Terra Vega.

### And... just grow!

When the plants begin to start growing I give them CANNA Terra Vega three times a week. I had to get used to this, because the soil I used before was pre-fertilized. So back then I started feeding much later. But once you know that, you can determine much better for yourself when and how much feeding to give. Now that I have my new growing room I also have to pay attention to how much light my plants get. During the growing phase they receive 18 hours lighting.

### Small plants grow up

I always find the moment that the first flowers can be seen, about two weeks after I switch to 12 hours lighting (12/12), really great; suddenly your small plants have grown up. This is when I switch to CANNA Terra Flores which I also give three times a week.



### Recognition

After about three weeks you start to get recognition from your plants for the good care as it were: suddenly fruits become larger in size and they start to smell wonderful.

Sometimes I put a stick next to the plants when they have difficulty in remaining upright because they are so full!

### Own taste

When my plants are almost ready for harvest I stop giving feeding. This is how the final taste is achieved. We harvest in two parts. My girlfriend has so-called sensitive taste buds and as the taste gets stronger the longer you wait for harvest. We always harvest her crop about a week earlier than mine if you catch my drift. I like it strong!

### The Result

The result we want: my girlfriend and I are both extremely happy with our harvest! My girlfriend is happy with the weaker produce and I'm happy with mine. My friends often laugh at me but I remain convinced that the taste is a lot nicer if the you grow your own (with love) on soil. And yeah, I find it really easy, I hardly have to do anything, apart from talking to my plant every now and again – and I enjoy doing that!



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## Balcony

First I had a few plants on the balcony of our old flat that I fed just twice a week. I didn't have to do very much for them but still got a decent result: my girlfriend and I were able to enjoy our first home grown for six months!

### Well informed

Because you have to learn everything in the beginning of course, I found the information that I got from the grow shop very useful. Look, I know you can read a book or something, but I prefer to hear it personally. I also looked at CANNA's website briefly. This was exactly what I was looking for, interesting, honest information written in a straightforward way. If there was something wrong with my plants I looked it up on the CANNA Info couriers. Useful pages, where I could find out exactly what was the matter.

### In the beginning...

I always order my seeds via the internet. This means I can try out and grow different varieties. It took a while, to be honest, but I've now found the correct method for germinating them. First, I lay the seeds between a couple of pieces of moist cotton wool and I cover these with a saucer to keep them moist and dark. When the roots become visible after a few days, I put the seeds in CANNA Seedmix. Because this isn't pre-fertilized, the roots have to work hard to find food which makes them develop better. If the plants are strong enough I repot them normally after about ten days. I always use a generous pot when repotting which give the roots the chance to develop well. In addition to this, I give them CANNA RHIZOTONIC to compensate for the possible shock.

### Special soil

On my balcony, where I had previously used a load of different kinds of soil, I used to be most enthusiastic about CANNA Terra Professional. CANNA Terra Professional Plus, however, does really well in my new growing room. There are a load of nutrients in normal potting compost. This sounds convenient but in fact plants get lazy like that. It's necessary



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	Light per day (hours)	Terra Vega ml/10L	Terra Flores ml/10L	RHIZOTONIC ml/10L	CANNAZYM ml/10L	CANNABOOST ml/10L	PK 13/14 ml/10L	EC+
<b>Start Root formation</b> - Duration +/- 1 week	18	10-30	-	40	-	-	-	0.2 - 0.6
<b>Vegetative stage</b> - Duration +/- 1 to 3 weeks Fast growth	12	30 - 50	-	10 - 20	25	-	-	0.6 - 1.0
<b>Generative stage 1</b> - Duration +/- 1 to 2 weeks Growth stagnate first sign of fruit formation pistils appears	12	-	50 - 65	5	25	20 - 40	-	1.0 - 1.3
<b>Generative stage 2</b> - Duration +/- 1 week Small fruit develop	12	-	50 - 60	5	25	20 - 40	15	1.1 - 1.4
<b>Generative stage 3</b> - Duration +/- 2 tot 3 weeks Increases in size	12	-	50 - 65	5	25	20 - 40	-	1.0 - 1.3
<b>Generative stage 4</b> - Duration +/- 1 tot 2 weeks Fruit increases in size and ripen	12	-	-	-	25	20 - 40	-	0

The recommended EC levels are based on a tap water EC of 0.0 mS/cm. If your tap water EC is 0.5 the recommended EC from the table should be 0.5 higher. Maximum EC level is 2.8 mS/cm. Recommended pH 5.2-6.2

Flowering phase starts when the first pistils appear. Normally 1-3 weeks after the switch to 12 hours lighting.

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