

# Spring

2024



# Welcome spring!

With the brighter light and longer days, spring really is in the air. Now is the perfect time to get your garden ready for the new season, and we're here to help you create a welcoming space where you can enjoy every moment outdoors.

Our spring guide is packed with ideas to inspire you. So read on for an easy way to grow your own tomatoes, a genius hack for creating a stunning display of seasonal blooms, plus hints and tips to help your houseplants thrive. We also take a look at what's new on the menu in our restaurant, and the Easter goodies in our foodhall.

From mini makeovers to full scale garden updates, we've got your outdoor living covered at Dobbies too, and there's a glimpse of our new ranges inside. Whether you're in the mood for a tranquil coastal vibe, an inviting natural retreat, a calming place to unwind, or a vibrant outside 'room' that's bursting with colour and texture, you'll find everything you need in-store and online to make it work.

So, gloves on. Let's grow!

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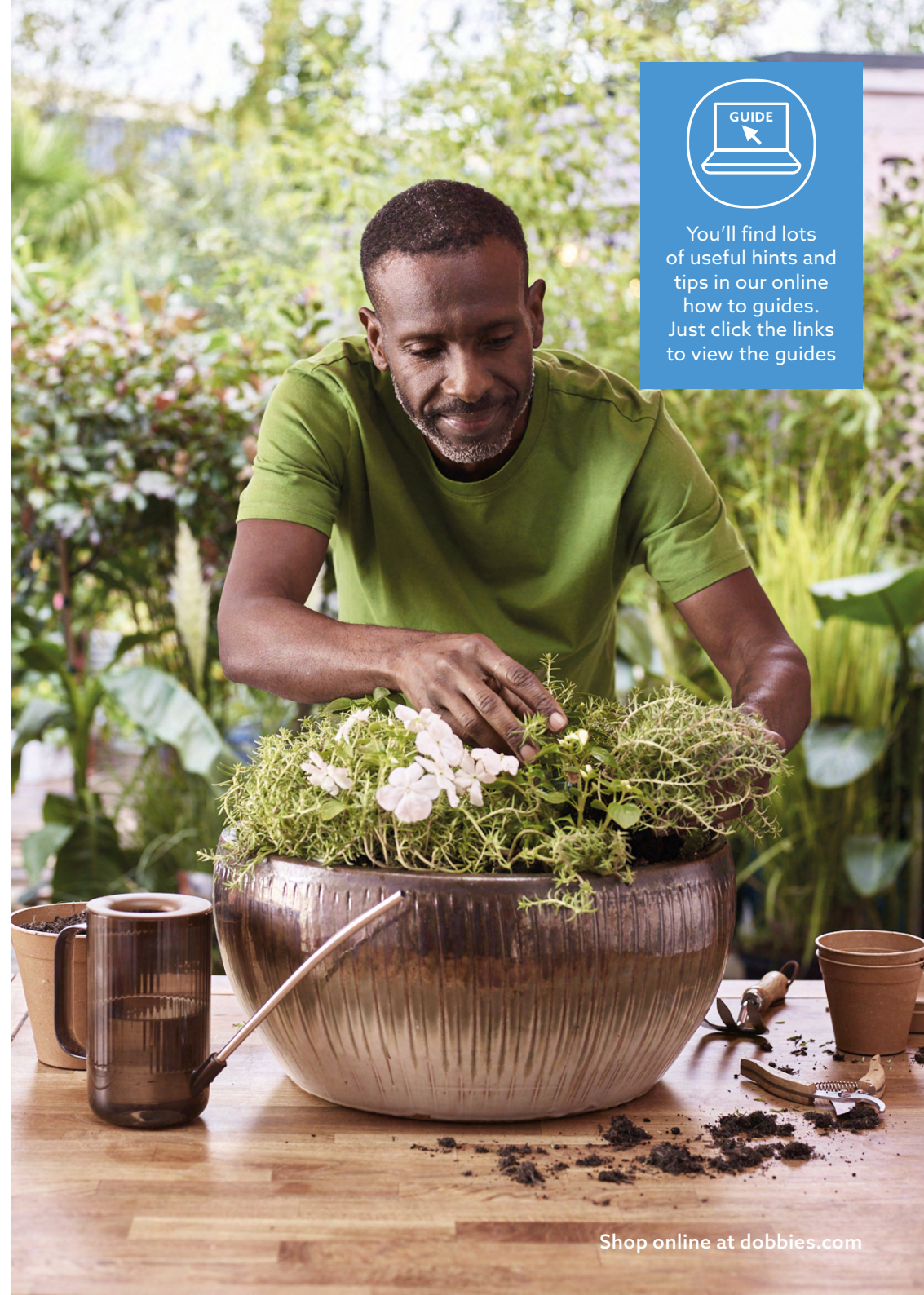
BBQs and outdoor heating

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You'll find lots of useful hints and tips in our online how to guides. Just click the links to view the guides



HOW TO

# Grow tomatoes from seed

## They're so easy to sow, and grow

Growing your own tomatoes is deliciously easy, plus it's always fun to harvest your own crop. Home-grown toms aren't just sweeter and juicier, planting from seed is economical, too.

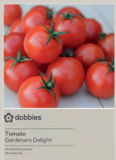
Choose your favourites, from small cherry tomatoes to big beefsteak varieties, and simply plant them into small pots between February and April. They'll happily grow in a propagator or a warm, frost-free conservatory or greenhouse. You can then plant them out in containers when all risk of frost has passed.



[Click here for our down-to-earth guide to growing tomatoes from seed](#)

## What you'll need

£1.99



Dobbies  
Tomato Gardeners  
Delight Seeds  
660115

£19.99



Windowsill  
Propagator Set  
826042

£4.99



10L Dobbies Peat  
Free Seed Sowing  
Compost + JI  
780998

£4.99



Dobbies  
Hand Trowel  
932631

You don't need a garden to grow your favourite tomatoes. For patios and balconies simply pick up a grow bag in-store.



Shop online at [dobbies.com](https://www.dobbies.com)

### TOP TIP

Harvest only a few sprigs of herbs at a time to allow time for regrowth. Regularly harvesting your herbs will encourage them to keep growing.



## HOW TO

# Create an indoor herb planter



### Fill your home with the aroma of fresh herbs

This DIY herb bowl is ideal for brightening up your kitchen or dining room with some greenery. Use it as a centrepiece for your dining table or keep it handy on your kitchen counter and have herbs at your fingertips to add to all your favourite home cooked meals.

**Click here to follow our step-by-step guide to creating an indoor herb planter**

In our herb bowl, we've used thyme Silver Queen, common thyme, oregano, lavender and rosemary, but you can also use basil, chives, mint or parsley as these are some of the easiest herbs to grow. Just make sure you're choosing herbs with flavours and scents you enjoy.

#### WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- Your choice of herbs – 3 to 5 herbs works perfectly and makes the planter look full and flourishing
- Medium to large plant pot
- Multi-purpose peat free compost
- Watering can

#### METHOD

1. Fill half of your pot with compost.
2. Remove the herbs from their plastic containers, then position them in the pot, placing taller ones at the back. If the containers are biodegradable then there's no need to remove them and you can plant directly into the compost.
3. Fill any remaining gaps with compost and water well.
4. Place in a sunny spot in your home, like a bright dining room or kitchen counter.

INDOORS

# Houseplants

## Fabulous plants for every spot in your home

The new season is a great time to change things up, and houseplants are a brilliant way to give any room an instant refresh. From stunning foliage to lush florals and indoor citrus trees, you'll find the ideal plants in-store – with gorgeous pots to match.

Houseplants bring a space to life, and are a great alternative to flowers. As a gift that grows, they're also perfect for Mother's Day, or any time you want to delight someone special with a thoughtful present. Great value too, with prices starting from just £5.99.

## HOW TO Repot houseplants

Early spring is the ideal time to repot your houseplants as they enter the growing season. The key things to remember are to choose the right size of pot with adequate drainage holes; use the most appropriate potting mix; water your plant 24 hours beforehand; and take care to handle its roots carefully in the process to avoid transplant shock and keep it happy as it adjusts to its new surroundings.

### What you'll need

£19.99



Monstera deliciosa  
17cm  
671808

£7.99



Houseplant Focus  
Repotting Mix 8L  
657690

£16.99



Nora Pot Round  
White 23cm  
804175

£6.99



Houseplant Mist  
300ml  
657669



Click here to follow  
our step-by-step  
guide to repotting  
houseplants



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# Kids' gardening

## Get everyone together for fun-filled activities

The Easter holidays are a perfect opportunity to get out in the garden with the kids and enjoy some family time. As well as being loads of fun, gardening is a great way for children to build a lifelong connection with nature, wildlife and the environment. They'll also be learning about plants and flowers, sustainability and healthy living. Easy wins!

## Little Seedlings gardening workshops

For all the inspiration they'll need, why not bring your 4-10 year olds along to our free Little Seedlings gardening workshops. As well as giving you lots of garden ideas you can follow at home, we use activities and games to teach a whole range of exciting and educational subjects. The workshops take place on the first Sunday of every month (as well as special school holiday clubs). To book and to find out more, [click here](#).



Look out for our exciting new Little Seedlings collection of growing kits, tools and lots more, in-store soon

# Create a bulb lasagne

## Layer up for months of colour and an ever-changing display

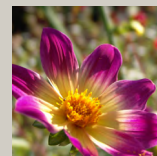
Keep your pots popping with colour, by planting bulbs in layers. Simply plant the largest bulbs with the latest flowering time in deepest, moving to the smallest, earliest bulbs in the top layer. It's an easy way to create an ever-changing, dense display, and you can include as many different varieties – and layers – as you like.

Shop our huge range of bulbs in-store. You'll find a dazzling choice of varieties and colours, including many bulbs exclusive to Dobbies.



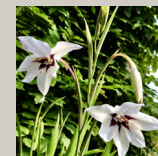
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### What you'll need



£4.99

Dahlia Bright Eyes  
Single pack  
Height: 70cm  
938772



£2.99

Gladiolus Callianthus  
Acidanthera  
Pack of 15  
Height: 75cm  
891287



£6.99

Convallaria Majallis  
Pack of 5  
Height: 15cm  
599390

£6.49



20L Miracle-Gro  
Bulb Fibre Peat  
Free Compost  
767706

£29.99



Ulla pot 32cm  
825822

# Easter made easy

## Enjoy relaxed seasonal gatherings

Easter is a joyful time of new beginnings, holidays and get togethers with family and friends.

You'll find everything you need at Dobbies to celebrate Easter with your loved ones – from gifts to decorative finishing touches for your home. And remember to pop by our foodhall for lots of tasty treats and foodie essentials.



### TOP TIP

Water your flowers the day before you make your display to help them adjust when transferred



## HOW TO Create your own spring centrepiece

Bring the new season into your home with a spring-themed centrepiece, made with everyone's favourite spring flowers.



**Click here to follow our step-by-step guide to creating a spring centrepiece**

### WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- Your favourite spring potted flowers and bulbs – we've used Galanthus Flore Pleno Snowdrops, Hyacinth Pink Pearl and Hyacinth Blue Pearl
- A medium to large plant pot
- Multi-purpose peat free compost
- Horticultural gravel/grit
- Watering can

### METHOD

1. Pick your pot – pastel yellows, pinks and blues are perfectly spring-themed, or choose a more neutral colour to really make your chosen flowers pop.
2. Scatter gravel at the bottom of your pot to help with drainage.
3. Arrange your choice of potted spring bulbs on top.
4. Fill the remaining gaps with compost and gently firm to make sure everything is sitting comfortably.
5. Water when your soil feels dry.

## SPRING MENU

# A taste of spring

### We've added a seasonal twist to our restaurant menu

Our delicious new spring menu is available in our restaurants from 14 March. As well as all your everyday favourites, look out for our seasonal specials – including our tasty deep filled cheddar cheese and tomato quiche, served with chips and salad.

### All-new afternoon tea

Why not treat yourself to one of our all-new afternoon teas? Choose from our traditional, luxury, no-gluten or kids' options, served with a mouth-watering selection of sandwiches, scones, sweet treats and unlimited tea or coffee. Find out more and book at [dobbies.com/events](https://dobbies.com/events)

Cheese & tomato quiche



NEW

Luxury afternoon tea, £20 per person

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OUTDOOR LIVING

# Garden living

## A room with a view

Get ready to embrace the gentle warmth of summer colour, and the very latest design trends, with our fabulous new collection of outdoor furniture and accessories.

We've curated four ranges for summer 2024, and you can view them all in-store very soon. It's a great way to see what will work for your outdoor space, and there's a look to match every style and budget.

These include brand new dining and bistro sets we think you'll love. And to help you create the perfect entertaining space this summer, you'll also find a great choice of BBQs and firepits, outdoor lighting, and chic accessories.



Look out for our new Outdoor Living catalogue, available in-store and online at [dobbies.com](https://dobbies.com) from April 2024



TORA  
SOFA SET  
**£999**

### Shoreline simplicity

A natural colour palette inspired by coastal shores

Tora sofa set  
931853, £999



HELENA  
SOFA SET  
**£1,199**

### Garden retreat

Drawing inspiration from wild meadows and cut flower gardens

Helena sofa set  
935277, £1,199



EVE  
BISTRO SET  
**£399**

### Relax & unwind

Inspired by calm waters, tones of light and restful shades of blue

Eve bistro set  
935009, £399



ESME  
BISTRO SET  
**£99**

### Colour your space

Bringing colour to your life!

Esme bistro set  
935277, £99

# Go al fresco

## Bring on the sunshine

The beauty of gardens is that they can be highly versatile – doubling up as an extra room for entertaining, or as a fabulous outdoor kitchen. Firepits, barbecues and pizza ovens are a great way to enjoy outdoor living, and make the most of your garden this summer and all year round.



£34.99

Small kettle barbecue  
920268



£49

Low mesh firepit  
934827



£149

Steel chimenea with cooking grill  
934826



£169

Fireglobe (tropical leaves design)  
934829



£349

Sahara Storm 2-burner barbecue  
934820



£399

Gozney Rocbox pizza oven  
935364



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