

Caring for your Hanging Baskets & Containers

All of **Patterson's Green Valley Garden's** hanging baskets and containers are pre-treated with polymer (gel) soil and a 6 month time release fertilizer.

The polymers greatly reduce the need for frequent watering as they assist the plant in holding water in the soil until it is required.

The use of a 6 month time release fertilizer means that you do not need to fertilize your basket **AT ALL** this summer.

To care for your basket, you should:

- Ensure that the basket is in the correct sun. Some flowers do better in full sun, while others prefer the morning sun or shade. If you are not sure, ask us!
- Try to keep your basket out of very windy areas, especially if you have a basket with petunias in it. The wind can break the plants and dry out the soil very quickly.
- To maintain vigorous growth, be sure to remove spent flowers and seed pods. Be sure to deadhead regularly.
- Although your basket has been treated with polymers, you will still need to ensure they are properly watered.

**Only water your basket once the soil is
dry to the touch!**