

Installation: How to make your own bromeliad vertical garden



Our Hanging Grow Logs are a great product for creating a hanging bromeliad garden. Here is a step by step guide for attaching bromeliads to your Hanging Grow Log. Tools required: Seasol, zip-ties or twine, scissors and a screw-driver.

1. Soak

Pre-soak the Hanging Grow Log in a solution of Seasol and water for about 2 hours, this makes it easier to insert the bromeliad pups into the Grow Log.



2. Drain

Once the Hanging Grow Log has been soaked you will need to drain the Seasol and water solution.



3. Installation

Using your screw-driver create holes at a 45 degree angle into the Hanging Grow Log to where you would like your bromeliad pups to grow. Creating an angled hole allows the plants to be attached in an upright position, this prevents the plants from sagging and also provides the root system with a stable base.



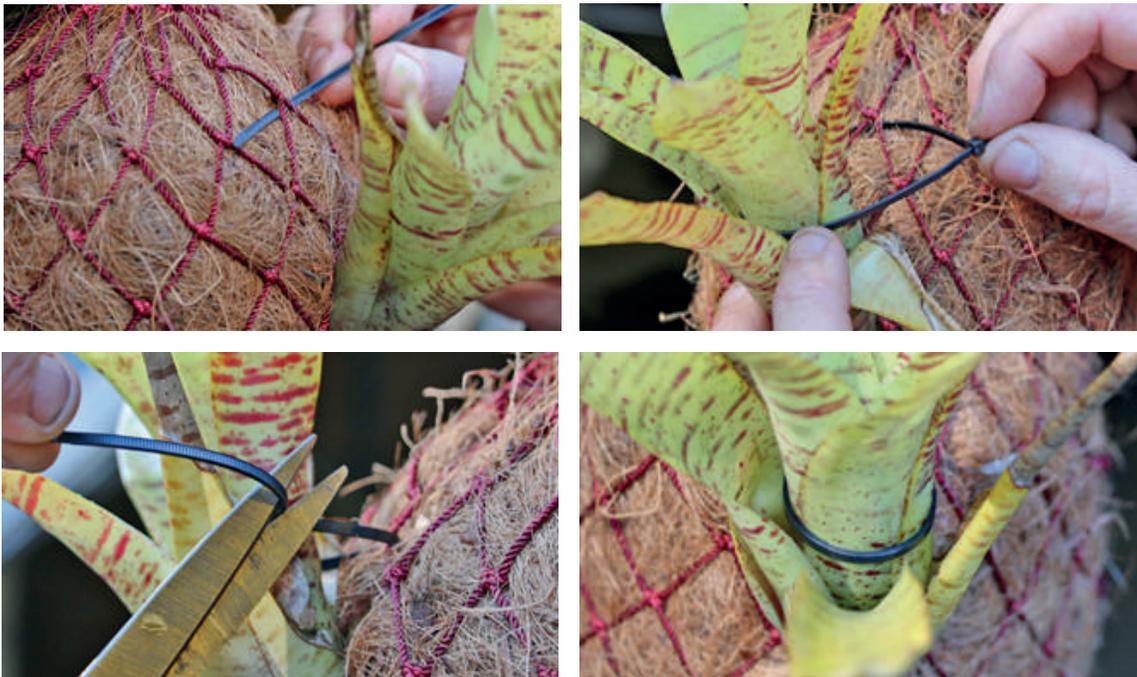
4. Insert

Water the roots of your bromeliad and remove any excessive amount of soil from around the base of your bromeliad pup so it can easily fit into the hole created. The plant should be facing in an upright position ready to be attached to the Hanging Grow Log.



5. Zip Ties, Twine

Using your zip-ties or twine to secure the pups near the base making sure the bromeliads are attached facing upright (vertically). To do this you need to insert your zip-tie / twine into the nylon netting above the bromeliad (see image 1.), then wrap the zip-tie / twine around the trunk of the inner flower of the bromeliad plant and secure the bromeliad vertically to the Hanging Grow Log (see image 2). Cut off any excess plastic or twine and make sure the plant is secured upright so the bromeliads can grow without sagging and to provide better drainage for the root system.



6. Maintenance

Ongoing watering is required. Bromeliads will hold water in its tank (the centre of the plant). Water the tank and try to keeping it full with water. Do not keep stagnate water in the tanks making sure there is new clean water being replaced on a regular basis.



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