



HOW MANY PLANTS DO I NEED?

This seemingly simple question becomes quite complicated when you consider growth rates, plant habits or shapes, plant size when purchased, your budget, both long and short-term goals. Always measure from the center of the plant. This guide will help you to get started.

SPACING FOR PERENNIALS

Size of Container	Type of Plant	Measurement from Center of Plant
2 gallon	Most large grasses	2-3 feet apart
1 gallon	Most perennials sold here	18-24 inches apart
1 quart	Most wildflowers	12-15 inches apart
4" size	Most herbs	10-12 inches apart
2-3" size	Most groundcovers in flats	6-12 inches apart

SPACING FOR GROUNDCOVERS

Groundcovers are considered both low maintenance and economical because they smother weeds, require no mowing and spread wide to cover large spaces. Any low, sprawling plant can be deemed appropriate to "cover ground." Perennials like Sedum, herbs like thyme, or even shrubs like juniper or roses can be used. Plants are spaced closer for faster coverage. Because large spaces are involved, the number of plants required is determined by square feet to be covered.

Spacing on Center	Multiply Sq. Ft. to be Covered by:
6 inches	4
8 inches	2.27
10 inches	1.43
12 inches	1
15 inches	.64
18 inches	.44

Refer to The Planter's Palette catalog for other helpful suggestions on spacing for hostas, daylilies, ferns and wildflowers.