

Design idea for raised beds with the C-Line XL block

Build your own vegetable bed:



Once you have set up the border for your new vegetable bed, the next important steps are choosing the right substrate (soil mixture) and optimising the structure of the subsoil. A larger planting bed is built up in several layers to provide the plants with an optimum soil structure for an appropriate water balance. If the bed is placed directly on the ground, a vole grid is recommended.

Coarse prunings (branches, shrub waste) can be used as **the first layer** (lowest). Alternatively, a drainage layer of expanded clay can be created. For the latter, a thin fleece would have to be installed between this and the next layer. This installation layer is 20 - 30 cm

The **second layer** is formed by some chopped wood, leaves and/or grass cuttings, approx. 15-20 cm.

The third layer is rotted, rather coarse compost, possibly mixed with some leaves; 20-30 cm.

The soil is then filled in as the **top layer**. Raised bed soil, which is specially composed for small habitats, is best suited. Alternatively, a mixture of normal potting soil and compost can be used. For special crops such as herbs, it is advisable to fill the top layer with herb soil, or mix a universal soil with commercially available sand.

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