

Materials:



Stakes and galvanised screws (if required)

Tools:

	Spade	* Shovel		String: for a stringline or marking spray paint to mark the outline
能	Wheelbarrow	Garden hose		★ Spirit level – if required to ensure a level top
Hammer (if using stakes)Utiliedg		•	ity knife, hack saw, tin snips or heavy duty shears to cut the garden ing	

Instructions:

- unroll your lawn edging and let it sit out in the sun. It will become more flexible after it warms up.
- Decide where you wish to create your flowerbed and mark with the stringline or mark the boundary of the garden with spray paint. Make a continuous, flowing line, using a spare piece of edging to help you, if necessary. Avoid making sharp curves; plastic edging doesn't bend easily around corners.
- Determine how much of the garden edging you want out of the ground. The higher out of the ground the more support (stakes) it will need to remain stable. We recommend at least 66% of the width of the garden edging in the ground. You also need to keep in mind damaging the edging from the lawnmower.
- Hold a spade with the front of the blade facing away from you and, standing on the lawn, dig into the ground. Dig straight down to create a vertical "wall" that will support the edging. Dig straight down to create a vertical "wall" that will support the edging. It helps to mark that distance on the shovel with tape so you can consistently dig to the same depth. Dig a trench around the outline in this way, depositing the dirt in a wheelbarrow or the garden bed.
- Place the edging in the trench, pack dirt in under the bottom of the edging as needed to keep the top edge straight. If needed use a spirit level.
- To trim the edging to length if necessary, you can use tin snips, or similar heavy duty shears.

 Or a utility knife or hack saw.
- After the edging is secured, fill the trench about a half full with loose dirt. Pack it down with your foot or shovel, to make certain the edging stays in place. If needed, fill in any gaps on the lawn side of the edging with loose dirt.
- Water the edging lightly, by spraying water on both sides of the edging. Then, using the remainder of your dirt, fill the trench to the top of your edging. If you have any left, add more to the lawn side of the edging, as it will settle over time.

