



HOW TO PLANT a hanging basket

This presentation is based almost completely on the Royal Horticultural Society's presentation on YouTube

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=922755148064379>

You can also visit their website

<https://www.rhs.org.uk/>

Hamding baskets
are great for colour
on walls,
verandahs and ,
psts





Don't have to be
flowers

Choose
colours that
work well
together





And plants that
grow reliably











To make your basket you
need

A hanging
basket



Potted pplants



Multiple purpose
compost – this is fine
for a display that is to
last for one year



If your basket is going to grow for more tpermanently

- Use a good quality potting mix
- Slow release fertiliser

A pair of scissors





Your basket will need to be lined

- Liners can be purchased, or you can use
Carmen or Joan's solutions

Place the basket on your wide pot to keep it steady as you work



Once your basket is lined, fill it with a layer of compost



Cut small holes in the side of the basket for small plants you want to grow hanging down the side of the basket



Prepare your plants for planting by wrapping paper around the root ball



This protect the roots as you push them through the holes



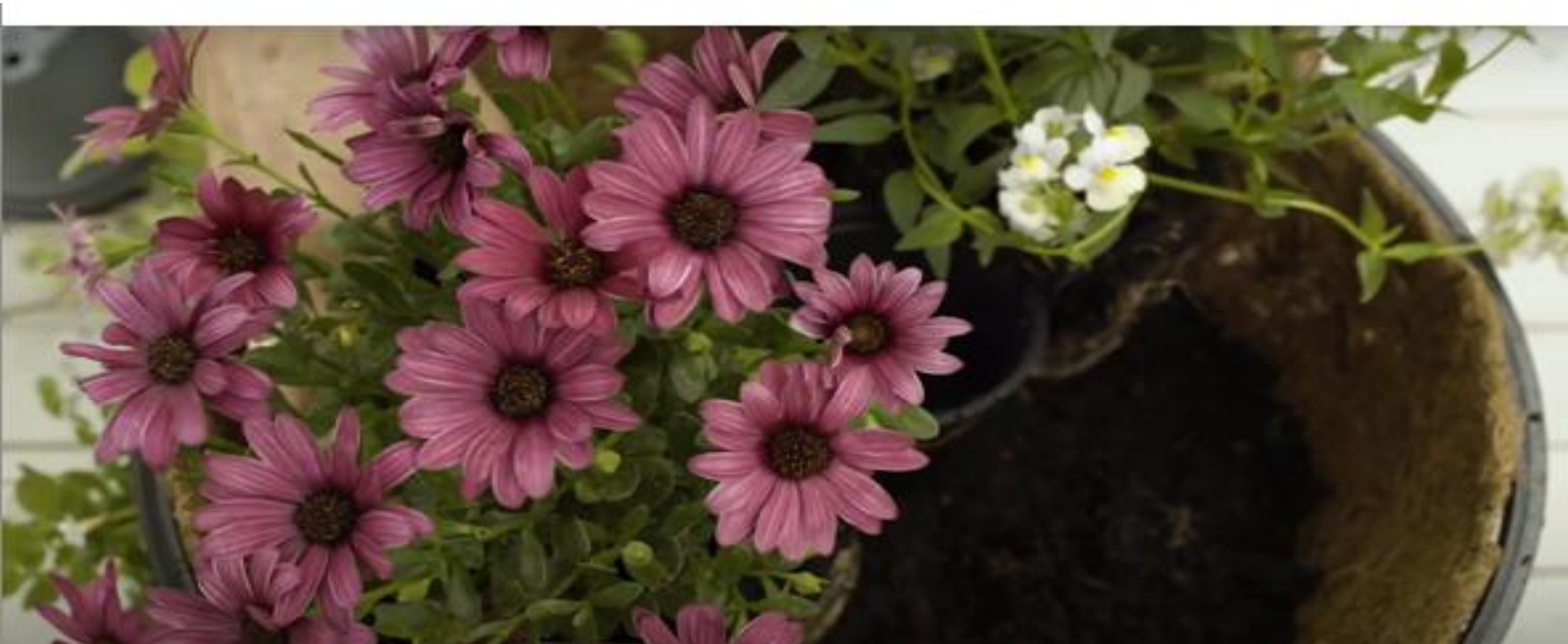
The roots should be level with the growing medium in the basket. Add more compost and firm it around the roots.



Place a small plastic pot near the centre of the basket to act as a water reservoir



Plant the shortest plants at the edge of the basket, and taller ones in the centre. This creates structure and impact.



Once all the plants are in, fill in carefully with the growing medium, firming gently.



Don't let your basket dry out



Check plants daily in summer. Do not let the growing medium dry out.



At the end of the season, tip the contents of the basket onto the compost heap.



Hardier plants, such as ivy, can be replanted in the garden Or propagate it for use next seadon.



There are a lot of videos and sites that have information and ideas about hanging baskets. Some have lists of plants most suitable for Australian conditions.
Happy searching!