



Summer Snaps



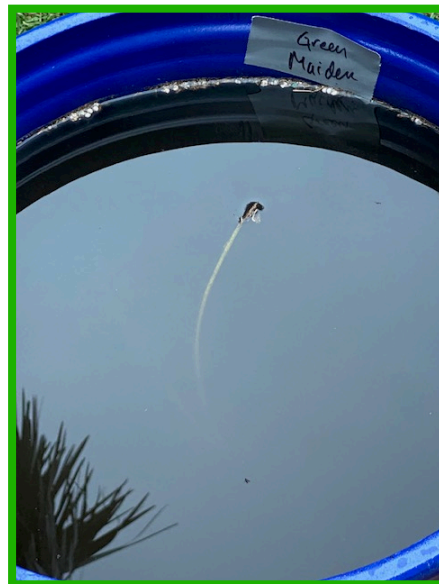
After our last edition of
“LOTUS & LOTUS”
Some of you sent in inquires.

We are pleased to present you
this addendum on growing lotus.

Thank you, *Kate Gubelmann & Louisa Ordway*
for documenting and sharing your growing experiences.

Christine & Carrie

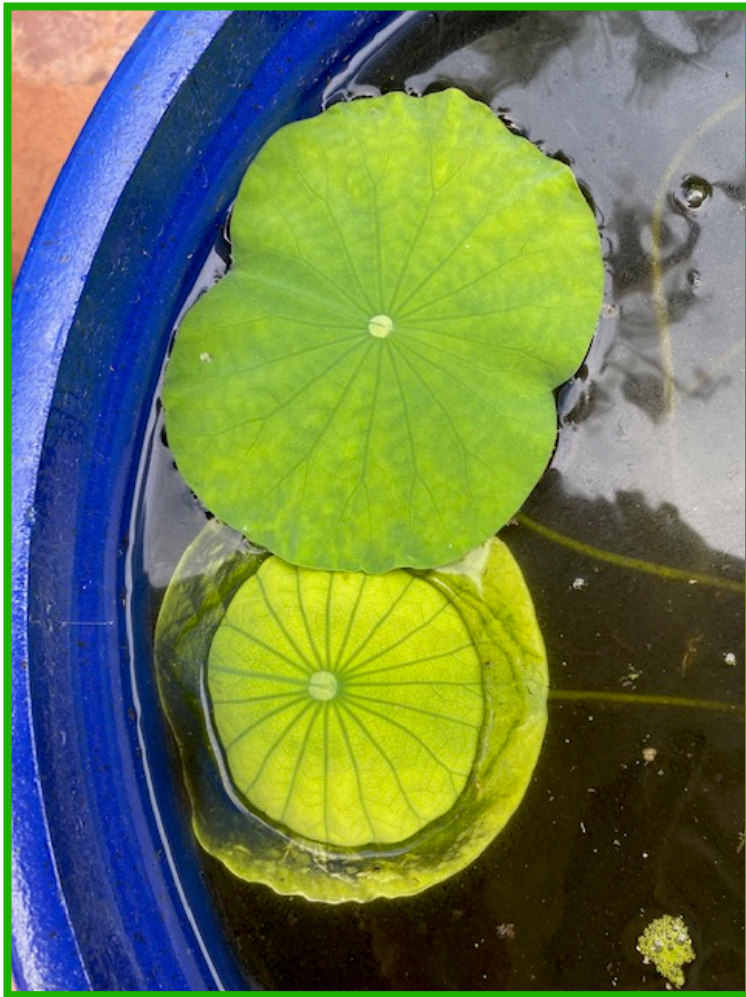
Let's Start From the Beginning....



Kate writes: *Louisa and I had great fun with this project. The whole process took about two months. Here is the whole journey from the beginning —*

More pictures from Kate

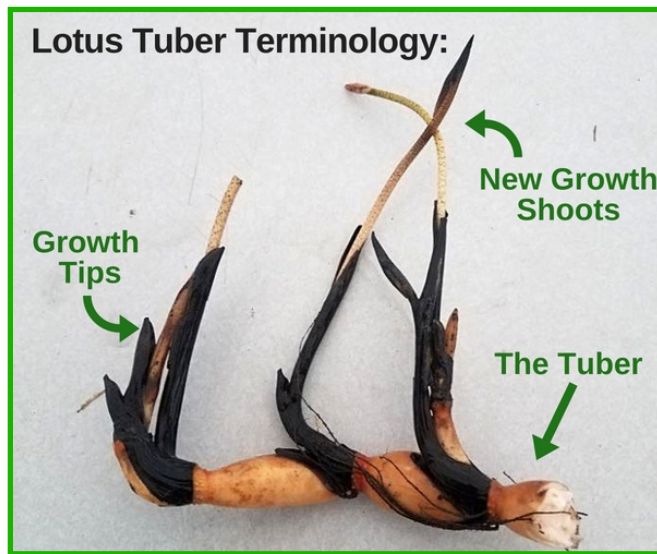




**Louisa ordered lotus tubers from
*Ten Mile Creek Nursery, Alabama***

Pictures from Louisa





Growing Tips

- Planting container: use a water-tight container without drainage holes. If a container comes with drainage holes, plug them up;
- Place the container in a sunny spot;
- Soil: use soil made for pond plants or heavy topsoil or clay;
- Fill the container with a thin layer of soil then add enough water just to wet soil;
Gently place tuber on the surface of the wet soil;
Cover tuber with another layer of soil, about 4 inches, with growth tips pointing upwards. The growth tips should remain slightly above the soil with the rest of the tuber buried;
Cover the soil with a thin layer of sand or gravel to keep the tuber in place;
Fill with more water to cover the tuber above the tips;
Check water daily to make sure that the growth tips is covered with water at all times;
Areal leaves will start popping out;
- Once established, start fertilizing with granules 10-10-10 or 14-14-14

