

BALCONY COMPANION PLANTING

Plant pairs that grow well together in small pots and railing planters

| <i>BEST BALCONY COMBOS</i> | |
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| Tomato + Basil + Marigold | Basil improves tomato flavor and repels pests. Marigolds help deter nematodes and aphids. |
| Cucumber + Dill + Nasturtium | Dill attracts beneficial wasps. Nasturtiums act as a trap crop for aphids. |
| Lettuce + Chives + Marigold | Chives deter aphids on leafy greens. Marigolds help keep soil pests in check. |

| <i>BALCONY-FRIENDLY PAIRS</i> | | |
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| <i>Pot</i> | <i>Companion Plants</i> | <i>Why</i> |
| Tomato | Basil, Marigold, Lettuce | Keep basil nearby to boost flavor and repel pests |
| Cucumber | Dill, Nasturtium, Beans | Use nasturtium as a trap plant |
| Pepper | Basil, Oregano, Marigold | Herbs mask scent and attract pollinators |
| Carrot | Radish, Rosemary, Marigold | Radish loosens soil; herbs deter carrot flies |
| Lettuce | Chives, Cilantro, Marigold | Interplant herbs to confuse leaf - eating pests. |

| <i>TINY-POT HERB COMBOS</i> | |
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| Basil + Cherry Tomato | Perfect for single railing planter; basil masks tomato scent and improves flavor |
| Parsley + Cilantro + Calendula | Cool - season herbs with bright that attract bees |
| Thyme+ Oregano + Marigold | Drought - tolerant trio for shallow pots and sunny railings. |

Quick Balcony Rules

- Pair tall plants (tomatoes, peppers) with low herbs (basil, thyme) in the same pot
- Use flowers like marigolds and nasturtiums on the edge of pots to lure pests away
- Avoid crowding strong - scented herbs (rosemary, sage) with delicate greens
- Rotate companion combos each season to keep soil and pests balanced