

Red and Whitecurrant

Fruit

Suggested varieties: *Jonkheer Van Tets* (red),
White Versailles (white)

PLANT



Plant pot grown or bare root bushes with at least four evenly spaced branches. Space 100-150cm apart. Choose well drained fertile soil in sunny or part shaded, sheltered site

GROW



Water and mulch. Reduce length of main stems by half in second year. Cut side shoots to one bud and shorten main shoots. Can also grow as 'fan' shape or 'cordon'

EAT



Pick when fully coloured and ripe, but still firm. Remove whole trusses ('strigs') rather than individual fruit. Cover plants with netting to protect from birds. Bushes are self fertile.

Growing guide

Give it a go...

Average time to harvest

From 18 months

Equipment needed

Mulch (eg compost)

When to prune

Winter or early spring

Average plant size

150cm tall and wide

Family group to grow with

Grossulariaceae: gooseberry

Seed saving group

5 - Specialist or not applicable

Key nutritional content

Vitamin C and fibre

Spring Term			Summer Term				Autumn/Winter Term				
J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D

■ Sow indoors

■ Sow outdoors

■ Plant out/transplant

■ Harvest



Use cloche

2.5cm = 1 inch 30 cm = 1 foot

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