



How To Grow An Avocado Tree

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INTRODUCTION

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TOOLS:

- [Toothpick](#) (3)
- [small glas](#) (1)
- [Fresh Water](#) (1)



PARTS:

- [avocado stone/pit](#) (1)

Step 1 — Clean the pit



- After removing carefully the pit from the avocado wash it gently with warm water to remove all the flesh.
- ⚠ Be careful not to remove the brown skin on the pit – that is the seed cover.
- ⚠ Avoid using soap, just use warm water and your hands.

Step 2 — Locate which end is "up" and which is "down"



- All avocado pits have a 'bottom' (from where the roots will grow), and a 'top' (from which the sprout will grow). The slightly pointier end is the top, and the flat end is the bottom.

Step 3 — Insert the toothpicks



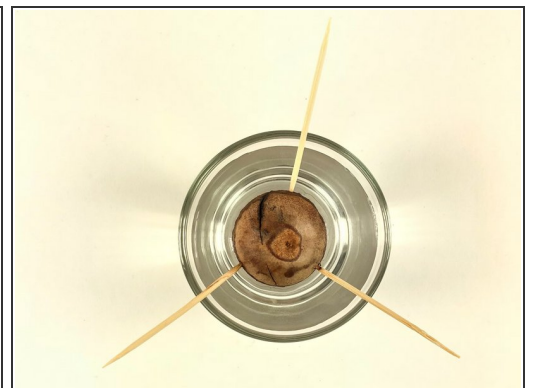
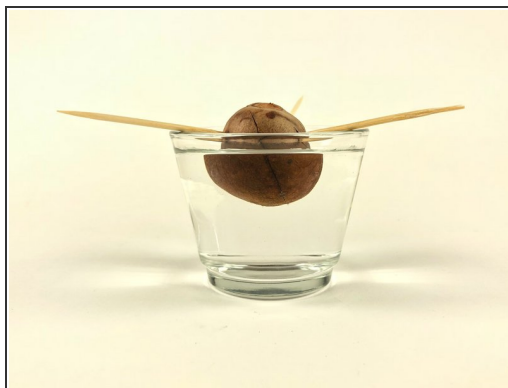
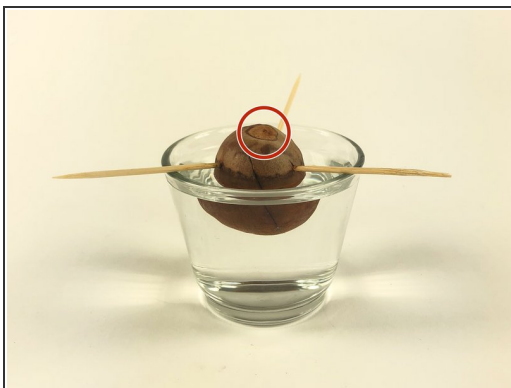
- Holding the pit "narrow" (pointed) side up, stick three toothpicks into the middle section at even intervals, just enough to give a firm hold. This will allow you to balance the pit on the inside of a cup, without completely inserting it into the cup.
- ⓘ The pit should sit in about 1 inch (2-3 cm) of water, so keep this in mind when inserting your toothpicks.
- ⚠ Don't insert the toothpicks too deep into the pit, this could damage it and it wouldn't grow anymore.
- ⓘ The shown avocado pit on the pictures hasn't the perfect shape with a pointier side.

Step 4 — Fill a glass/jar with water



- Add water to a small, slender glass until it reaches the top rim.
- ⓘ Your glass's opening should be wide enough to accommodate the full width of the avocado pit easily; however, make sure that it is not too wide, otherwise the toothpicks will not be able to reach and the pit will fall in.

Step 5 — Place your avocado pit on the top rim of the glass



- The toothpicks should sit on the rim of the glass.
- ⚠ Make sure the pointed end is up and the rounded end is in the water, otherwise your avocado will not grow.
- ⓘ The bottom half of the avocado should always be in water.

Step 6 — Wait for your avocado pit sprout



- Place the glass with your avocado pit in a warm place with plenty of light.
- Change the water every 5-7 days with fresh water.
- ⓘ And now you have to be patient. It takes up to 8 weeks until your avocado pit sprouts!
- ⚠ Don't forget to fill up the water from time to time.

Stay tuned to see our grown avocado tree in a few weeks! The next technique will show how to plant the avocado tree into a pot with soil.