

# **Flower Pot Painting**

Flower pot painting is an activity sure to bring out the creative side in residents, students, and staff alike. This multi-session activity involves first painting terracotta pots, then planting a Babylon herb or flower plant in the pot. After the activity, participants can share their design and take home their decorated pot to green up their own space.

Prep Time: 20 Minutes

**Activity Time:** 10-15 Minutes

## **Supplies**

- 1-2 zones of harvest-ready herbs or flowers
- Small terracotta pots\*
- Potting soil
- Hotel pan or plastic tub

- Plastic tablecloth
- 3" Clay pot sealer
- Acrylic paints
- Paint brushes

# Prep

- 1. Prime the terra cots with a coat of clay pot sealer 24 hours before activity
- 2. Using the app, turn off AutoFarmer, turn on lights, and wait 15 minutes for trays to drain
- 3. Lay tablecloth on table

### **Activity - Part 1**

- 1. Distribute pots, paints, and paintbrushes
- 2. Paint the pots there are no bad designs!

#### **Activity - Part 2**

- 1. Carefully remove tray from the farm and place on table
- 2. Fill each pot three-quarters of the way full with potting soil
- 4. Gently remove herbs/flowers from growth medium, taking care not to damage roots
- 5. Have group plant herb/flower in their own pot
- 6. Water immediately after planting and heavily for 3 days thereafter
- 7. Participants take home their potted herb/flowers and place them in a sunny window, watering as needed to keep the soil moist

#### Wrap up

- 1. Clean trays, lids and net cups, then spray with food-safe sanitizing solution
- 2. Return trays to farm
- 3. Tap Harvest in the Guided Growing app
- 4. Turn AutoFarmer back on
- 5. Share online and tag #babylonmicrofarms