

Horticulturists combine scientific knowledge with practical skills to propagate and raise plants for food production, environmental conservation, ornamental purposes, and even medicinal use.

This might suit you if you're passionate about plants and enjoy working with your hands while applying scientific principles.





Common tasks

- Plant & cultivate seeds & cuttings
- Measure & improve soil conditions
- Control pests & diseases
- Develop new plant varieties
- Optimise plant yield & environmental suitability

What does this pathway look like?

Most horticulturists start with an apprenticeship or vocational study. Eventually, you could work as a supervisor or researcher, or start your own nursery.

Sustainable agriculture, conservation, and green cities are rapidly growing areas of horticulture you might also like to look into.

Working environment

Working on projects

Working with other people

Working under pressure

Working in physically demanding environments

If you want to find out more

Start your own garden project at home, volunteer at a community garden, or chat to a horticulturist to learn about their job.



