

GROW AN AVOCADO TREE!

Did you know you can grow an avocado tree from an avocado seed? Let's give it a go! It takes a long time to grow a tree (years!).

What you need:

- A clean avocado seed.
- Toothpicks or skewers.
- Jar

What to do:

1. Make sure your avocado seed is nice and clean with no green flesh left on it.
2. Poke some toothpicks or skewers into the seed and sit the seed in a jar of water point side up, so the water comes halfway up the seed. The toothpicks help the seed to balance in the water, you do not want the seed totally covered in water.
3. Put the jar in a sunny place inside, like on the kitchen windowsill. And now we wait! Top up the water when needed and change the water completely about once a week. The seed likes fresh water.
4. After three weeks, my seed has a crack in it. This is where the roots will come from. The roots should start sprouting in 5 to 8 weeks! Mine started sprouting a root in week 5!
5. When the leaves are nice and big (about 15cm tall), you can plant your seed in a pot or in the garden. In about 15 years you can pick your avocados!
6. Show us pictures of your avocado seed on the [Kids Club Online Gallery](#).



Here is my tree after about 6 months. Still very small!