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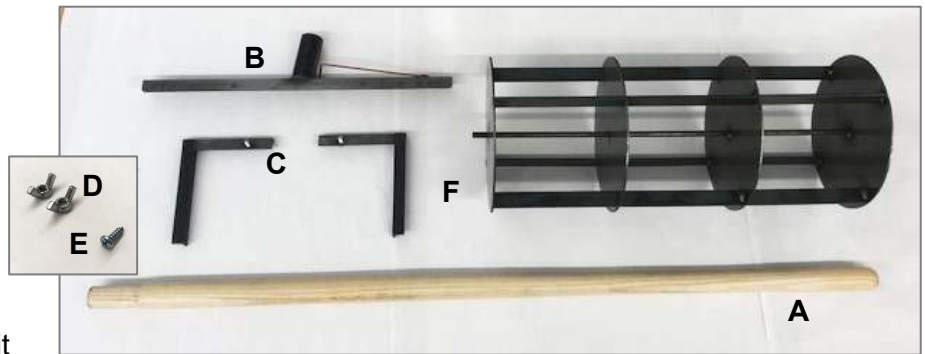


The Neversink Farm Gridder is an innovative bed preparation tool used to stamp a uniform grid pattern into the soil, prior to either direct-seeding or transplanting a crop. Straight and even plantings allow you to grow crops that are more productive and easier to cultivate, resulting in less labor and more profit.

Designed for 30" bed systems with the production market garden in mind, the Neversink Farm Gridder's universal handle can be used with any one of four interchangeable spools to create your desired crop spacing. One spool can also be used for many different spacings by planting on the lines or in the center of the grid.

PARTS NEEDED FOR OPERATION

- A. (1) Tennessee Ash Handle
- B. (1) Heavy-Duty Steel Frame
- C. (2) L-Braces (for mounting spool)
- D. (2) 5/16"-18 Wingnuts
- E. (1) #10 x 3/4" Pan Head Screw
- F. Spool of your choice
 (4 x 4 shown)



ADDITIONAL TOOLS NEEDED

- 7/64" straight or 9/64" tapered drill bit
- Philips screwdriver

ASSEMBLY

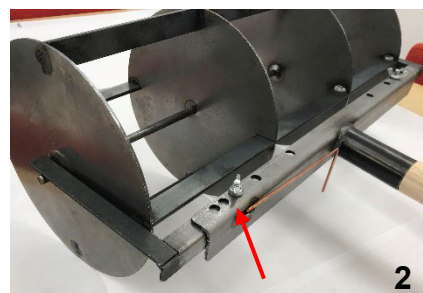
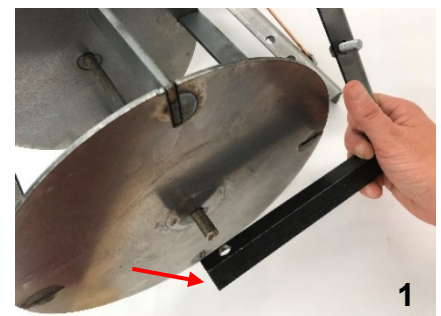
HANDLE

Insert the wooden handle fully into the steel frame and pre-drill a hole before securing the handle in place with the wood screw provided.

ATTACHING THE SPOOL

The Neversink Farm Gridder frame is designed to enable changing out spools quickly and easily in the field without the use of additional tools. Please see below for specifics.

- 1) Slip the holes located at the ends of the L-braces over the axles protruding from either side of the spool.
- 2) Attach each side brace to the handle frame using the wingnuts and 5/16"-18 x 3/4" hex bolts welded to the frame.
- 3) The numbers etched into the steel frame correlate with the spool size that fits that orientation. For instance, you will use the #4 holes if you are fastening the 4x4 Spool (shown).



INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

The offset handle allows the user to easily work from the footpath. The Neversink Farm Gridder can be pushed or pulled to create a perfect grid on your garden beds, but we have found that it is easier to achieve straight lines when it is pulled.

The built-in bed marker folds out from the frame to easily center any spool over a 30" bed. Simply line the tip of the wire up with one edge of your bed or a line as you walk. See right.

Please see page 3 for planting ideas and crop suggestions for the Neversink Farm Gridder.



CARE AND MAINTENANCE

FRAME AND SPOOLS

The Neversink Farm Gridder's frame and interchangeable spools are made from mild steel, a low-carbon steel that is high in iron content, making it subject to oxidation (rust). Periodically applying a corrosion inhibitor, such as a nontoxic lanolin-based protectant, can minimize oxidation. A fine-grit cleaning pad can also be used to gently remove rust from the surface.

HANDLE

The Neversink Farm Gridder's Tennessee ash wood handle is minimally finished, so a light sanding may be desired. We recommend treating the wood handle with a wood oil of your choice such as mineral or linseed.

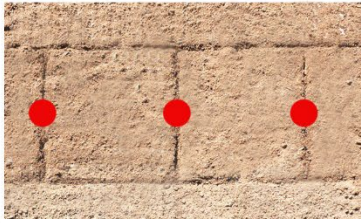
Always store your Neversink Farm Gridder clean and in a dry location.



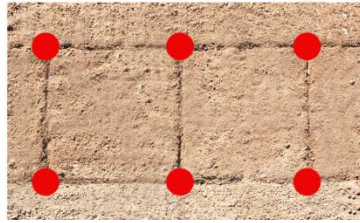
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Neversink Farm Gridder Spool 2x2

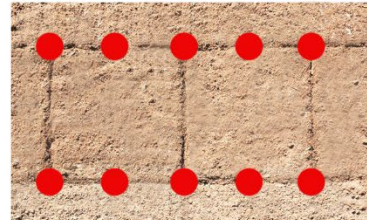
Creates two rows at 15" spacing.



1 Row, 15" spacing
cucumbers, squash,
zucchini, tomatoes



2 Rows, 15" spacing
kale, Swiss chard,
large celery



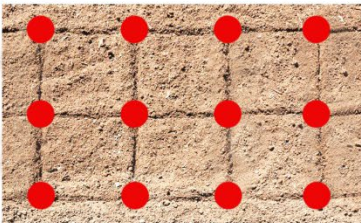
2 Rows, 7.5" spacing
Swiss chard, large
scallions



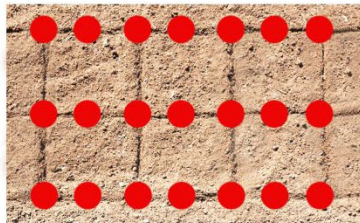
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Neversink Farm Gridder Spool 3x3

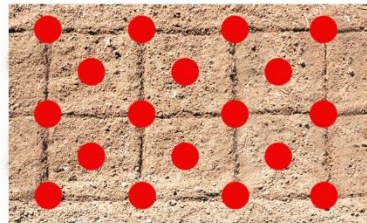
Creates three rows at 10" spacing.



3 Rows, 10" spacing
head lettuce, celery,
basil, large chicory



3 Rows, 5" spacing
beets, parsley, leeks,
cilantro, onion



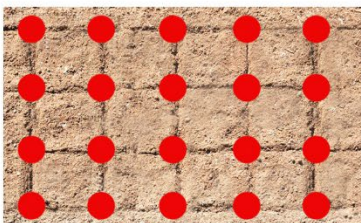
5 Rows, 10" spacing
spinach, pac choi,
dense winter plantings



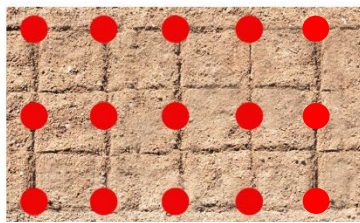
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Gridder Spool 4x4

Creates four rows at 7.5" spacing.



4 Rows, 7.5" spacing
Salanova lettuce, beets,
garlic, small chicory



3 Rows, 7.5" spacing
head lettuce, beets,
onion



#7715 Gridder Spool 6x6

6 Rows, 5" spacing
baby greens, spinach