

PEA & SWEET PEA SUPPORTS

Hazel is the traditional peastick and well shaped "fans" can be supplied in small, medium and large. Peasticks in their second year can be spread over seed beds to keep cats and hens off,

Peasticks

When the pea or sweetpea seedlings have developed tendrils, push 4'- 5' peasticks in either side of the drill leaving 4"-6" between each pair of peasticks. Keep as upright as possible. Twenty peasticks will give a run of 3'-4'

Victorian Sweet Pea Support

Set six 5' (or taller) peasticks with a balanced branch structure 9"-10" apart in a circle of 20" (50cm) diameter. Starting from the bottom tier of branches and working to the top weave together and fix with garden twine or wire the adjacent branches so as to form a cage like structure. Bend and tie the tops together finishing neatly.

The larger heavy duty peasticks I supply are specially selected from heaps of hazel brash left over from coppicing and these lovely fans can be used creatively to form beautiful natural trellises for climbers, adding height and support to a border or wall. Their sharp ends push easily into the soil or for more permanent structures nail them onto a framework of sturdier beanpoles (it is best to drill pilot holes first).

Rustic poles in hazel, thicker than beanpoles, create your own bowers, arbours, trellises etc (20p per foot for 2" diameter, 30p per foot for 3" diameter)

Hazel brash or tops supplied as a bound faggott gives lots of twigs for use in the garden or after a year a mass of kindling (£5.00)

I also supply willow wands for garden sculpture

I make a range of rustic furniture, plant supports, trellis, hurdles, continuous hurdle fences, arches and fascinating objet trouvee from the wood, contact me to view my portfolio

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