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## Tillers and Cultivators

Successful gardening depends on healthy soil. One of the best ways to maintain productive gardens and flower beds is to keep the soil well tilled with either a tiller or cultivator. Tilling provides a loose, friable soil that will drain well and enhance richness as it breaks up the materials and allows for better root growth overall. If you're goal is a productive garden or flower bed, you should invest in a garden cultivator or a garden tiller.

So, which one is right for you? In small beds and gardens, the soil can easily be broken up with a shovel. A hand cultivator or hoe can be used to keep the soil loose and to kill and remove weeds around plants. Power machines with rotating tines greatly simplify this task and are usually considered a necessity for large gardens. These machines are called tillers and cultivators.

### ***Garden Tillers***

Tillers take an ordinary yard and transform it into an extraordinary outdoor haven. A tiller is not only a great investment, but a must-have item for serious gardeners.

There are two types of tillers – forward-rotating and counter-rotating. Forward-rotating tillers are engineered for premium soil preparation by finely chopping earth to allow ventilation. They are ideal for maintaining garden beds. Counter-rotating tillers work well in breaking up hard-packed soil and especially in challenging conditions.

The most important part on the tiller is the tine, which is responsible for digging, chopping and burying the soil. The tine is designed with curves and angles to dig deep and handle the roughest ground conditions. The most durable tines are made from steel found on heavy duty agricultural equipment.

Recommended Product(s): Pony ES® or Super Bronco™ CRT

### ***Cultivators***

Cultivators are small, lightweight machines used to mix soils in preparation for planting and are specially designed for gardeners with small vegetable, flower or herb gardens. Because of their smaller size, cultivators are also great in landscaping beds along houses and walks. And, cultivators are generally lighter and more maneuverable than traditional tillers.

Recommended Product(s): 4-Cycle Cultivator/Edger or Electric Cultivator

***About Troy-Bilt***

In 1937, Troy-Bilt introduced the first American-made rototiller. Troy-Bilt has expanded on its legendary expertise and durable product line to create a complete selection of the industry's finest lawn and garden tools. Troy-Bilt's award-winning product line includes top-quality tractors, mowers, tillers, cultivators, trimmers and a variety of outdoor power tools. Troy-Bilt machines are built to last and engineered to take on the toughest challenges to make jobs simpler and safer. For more information, visit [www.troybilt.com](http://www.troybilt.com).

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