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TOP TIP

BUY A HOSE SLIGHTLY LONGER THAN YOUR GARDEN SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO STRETCH IT ACROSS FLOWER BEDS

B&Q Compact Hose Reel

- **Frame** Plastic, with two hose parking positions
- **Hose supplied** 15m (50ft)
- **Fittings** All hose and tap fittings, including 13mm (1/2in) and 20mm (3/4in) screw-on tap connectors; fixed hose fitting to reel
- **Sprayer** Adjustable spray nozzle
- **Price guide** £17.98

GOOD BUDGET BUY FOR SMALLER GARDENS



Draper 25m Wind-Up Garden Hose Reel Kit

- **Frame** Plastic
- **Hose supplied** 25m (83ft)
- **Fittings** All snap-on hose and tap fittings, including 13mm (1/2in) and 20mm (3/4in) screw-on tap connector
- **Sprayer** Adjustable spray nozzle
- **Price guide** £32.50



Gardena Classic Hose Reel 50

- Can be used free-standing or wall mounted; comes complete with wall mounting brackets.
- **Frame** Plastic with two anti-drip hose parking positions and folding winding handle for space-saving storage
 - **Hose supplied:** 25m (83ft)
 - **Fittings** All snap-on hose and tap fittings, including 13mm (1/2in) screw-on tap connector
 - **Sprayer** Adjustable spray nozzle
 - **Price guide** £32.99



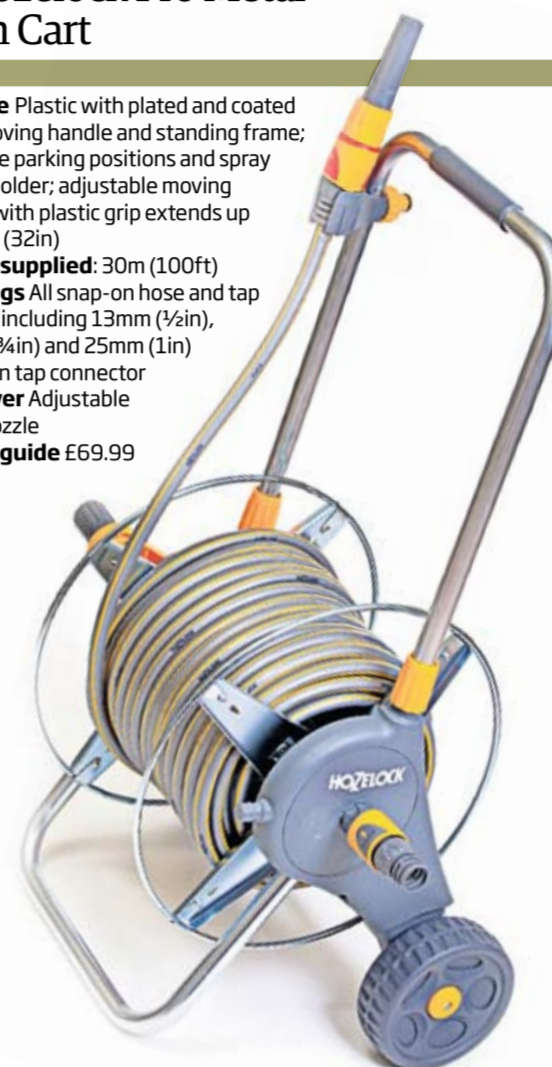
Hozelock 25m 2in1 Compact Reel

- Can be used free-standing or wall mounted; comes complete with wall mounting brackets.
- **Frame** Plastic; fully enclosed design protects the hose from wear and tear
 - **Hose supplied** 25m (83ft)
 - **Fittings** All snap-on hose and tap fittings, including 13mm (1/2in) and 20mm (3/4in) screw-on tap connector
 - **Sprayer** Adjustable spray nozzle
 - **Price guide** £39.99



Hozelock Pro Metal 60m Cart

- **Frame** Plastic with plated and coated steel moving handle and standing frame; two hose parking positions and spray nozzle holder; adjustable moving handle with plastic grip extends up to 81cm (32in)
- **Hose supplied:** 30m (100ft)
- **Fittings** All snap-on hose and tap fittings, including 13mm (1/2in), 20mm (3/4in) and 25mm (1in) screw-on tap connector
- **Sprayer** Adjustable spray nozzle
- **Price guide** £69.99



Kingfisher Gardening 25m Complete Hose Trolley Set

- **Frame** Plastic with powder-coated steel moving handle and standing frame; one hose parking position
- **Hose supplied** 25m (83ft)
- **Fittings** All snap-on hose and tap fittings, including 13mm (1/2in) and 20mm (3/4in) screw-on tap connector
- **Sprayer** Six-pattern spray gun
- **Price guide** £29.99



Rehau Comfort Hose Cart

- **Frame** Plastic with lacquered steel moving handle and standing frame; adjustable moving handle extends up to 81cm (32cm)
- **Hose supplied** None; cart only
- **Fittings** Two snap-on hose connectors
- **Hose capacity** 60m (200ft) of 13mm (1/2in) hose
- **Price guide:** £41.99



Make life easier with a hose reel

Keep your hosepipe in tip-top condition and ready to use at a moment's notice, says Geoff Hodge

A HOSEPIPE is one of the best and easiest ways to water the garden - providing there isn't a hosepipe ban! But if they're left coiled up on the ground they can get in the way, become a trip hazard and even get damaged. That's where a good hose reel will keep your hosepipe in tip-top condition and ready to use in the garden at a moment's notice.

which also reduces the likelihood of damage. More importantly, this means the hose can be kept inside away from cold weather and frost, which can perish the plastic and shorten the hose's life.

You can buy hose reels and carts on their own, but the vast majority of manufacturers also supply them as kits - which contain the hose and usually all the fittings you need to get watering. You will need to cut off a length of hose to make the tap-to-hose reel connection - unless you already have one.

All these kits have a hose-end spray nozzle or gun supplied with a water-stop fitting. These stop the flow of water when you remove or change the sprayer, so preventing water wastage.

Although all the hose reels here, except the Rehau Comfort Hose Cart, come supplied with 13mm (1/2in) diameter hose, some will hold more hose if you need to extend it.

Suppliers at a glance

- **B&Q** 08456 096688 www.diy.com
 - **Draper Tools** 02380 266355 www.draper.co.uk
 - **Gardena** from Husqvarna UK 08448 444558 www.gardena.com
 - **Hozelock** 0121 313 1122 www.hozelock.com
 - **Kärcher** 01295 752000 www.karcherwatering.co.uk
 - **Kingfisher Gardening** from Bonnington Plastics 0115 985 4119 www.bonningtonplastics.com
 - **Rehau** 01989 762600 www.rehau.co.uk
 - **Wilko** 08456 080807 www.wilkinsonplus.com
- Supplies Wilkinson stores

Wilko 25m Hose Reel Cart Set

- **Frame** Plastic with powder-coated steel moving handle and standing frame; one hose parking position
- **Hose supplied** 25m (83ft)
- **Fittings** All snap-on hose and tap fittings, including 13mm (1/2in) and 20mm (3/4in) screw-on tap connector
- **Sprayer** Seven-pattern spray gun
- **Price guide:** £20



Kärcher Hose Trolley HT60 Kit

- **Frame** Plastic with powder-coated steel moving handle and standing frame; folding handles for space-saving storage; hose guide; foam grip on moving handle
- **Hose supplied** 20m (66ft)
- **Fittings** All snap-on hose and tap fittings, including 20mm (3/4in) screw-on tap connector
- **Sprayer** Adjustable spray nozzle with control valve
- **Price guide** £58.75



INNOVATIVE DESIGN MAKES IT EASY TO USE AND STORE



WIN! We've got three 'best buys' to give away

We have three of these Kärcher Hose Trolley HT60 Kits to give away! Send your name and address to Garden News Hose Trolley Giveaway, Media House, Peterborough Business Park, Peterborough PE2 6EA or enter online at www.greatcompetitions.co.uk Closing date is July 5. Please write 'do not contact' if you don't want to be contacted by us or by carefully selected partner organisations.

