

Timely Tips – Cold Frames

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Ed Syracuse shared his process on obtaining a cold frame house to use for greens during the winter. His cold frame provides a safe, protected area free of birds, pests, slugs and snails. It can be used on a patio or deck with standard planting pots for vegetables and flowers. In the yard, the ground can be used with compost added.

The features of the **1500 Biostar by Jewel** they chose has these features:

- Double-walled polycarbonate panels, 8 mm thick for thermal insulation and strength; lids slope from back to front;
- 1 automatic opener included – opens/closes one lid panel as temperature changes;
- Lid panels are fully assembled and slip into place;
- “no-drip coating” prevents condensations from dripping onto plants;
- 6 anti-wind clamps are supplied for the three window lids’
- Grounding stakes included;
- Rounded plastic corner parts make it child-safe with a finished look;
- Length: 59”, depth: 36”, back height: 21”, front height: 17”

The 1500 Biostar Jewel is available from Amazon, Costco, Walmart, and many other retailers, including locally at Mill River Supply in Bedford Hills.

