

Secateur Buying Guide

Take a look at our extensive range of secateurs and you might start wondering which ones are right for you.. What's the difference between anvil and bypass, which secateurs will cut tough old branches, which are best for delicate pruning? Here's a brief guide to get you started.

There are two types of cutting actions available on secateurs:

Insert image of anvil cutters

- **Anvil** cutters have a single sharp and thin blade which cuts onto a flat, softer aluminium bottom anvil to deliver a clean, powerful slicing cut. Anvil is ideal for pruning hard, woody and dead growth with larger cross sections. Good for multi purpose use and less effort is required than bypass secateurs. Replaceable anvil and blades are available.

Insert image of bypass cutters

- **Bypass** cutters work on the same cutting principle as household scissors by employing parrot-beak shaped cutters. They produce a cleaner cut by slicing past one-another and are ideal for more delicate pruning and cutting tasks without bruising. Their slim shear head enables close access in awkward areas.
- Both anvil and bypass secateurs come with varying cutting diameters so check that the ones you select will cope with the pruning tasks you have planned.

