

Vital Earth Soils Available in Bulk

Product	Description	Use/Application
Potting Mixes:		
General Purpose Potting Soil	A ready-to-use all-purpose potting soil for larger pots – with 30% compost.	Primarily used for woody ornamentals potted in 1-gallon or larger pots. Can be used as a lightweight bedding soil. Slow-release fertilizers recommended when growing with overhead fertilization
Ready Rose Mix	A complete mix – with 50% compost, designed for container grown roses. Reduces fertilizer leach.	Primarily used for container grown roses in 1-gallon or larger pots. Also used for building and renovating rose beds and as a soil amendment. When used as a soil amendment, simply mix 50/50 with existing soil.
Tree Mix	A well-draining complete tree mix with 10% compost.	Primarily for container grown trees in 5 gallon or larger pots. Can be used as a lightweight bedding soil. Slow-release fertilizers recommended when growing with overhead fertilization.
Shrub Mix	A complete mix with 20% compost, designed for container growing.	Primarily used for woody ornamentals potted in 1-gallon or larger pots. Slow-release fertilizers recommended when growing with overhead fertilization.
Seedling Mix	A blend of fine bark, peat moss, compost, and sand.	Primarily used for woody ornamentals grown from seed. Also used for rooting cuttings of woody ornamentals and ground cover. Slow-release fertilizers recommended when growing with overhead fertilization.
Tropical Mix	A lightweight mix for tropical plants blended of fine bark, compost, peat moss and perlite.	Primarily used for tropical plants and hanging baskets in 6" or larger pots. Best results are obtained with the use of slow release fertilizers.
Mini Pot Mix	A complete fine grade mix containing 30% compost	Primarily used for woody ornamentals and ground covers potted in 4" to 1 gallon pots. Also used for rooting cuttings of woody ornamentals and ground covers. Slow-release fertilizers recommended when growing with overhead fertilization.
Growers Ultra Blend	A blend of peat moss, compost, perlite and aged fine pine bark with a starter fertilizer package.	Designed for use in 4" containers and up. Works well in hanging baskets. Suitable for bedding plants, cuttings, and flowering plants. Starter charge is good for 7-14 days. Using a complete fertilizer after wetdown is recommended.
Growers Ultra Fine	A blend of peat moss, compost, perlite, and aged rice hulls with a 7-14 day starter fertilizer package.	Designed for use where a fine soil is required. Works well in hanging baskets. Suitable for bedding plants, cuttings, and flowering plants. May be used in seed tray and plug production.
Landscape Mixes:		
Bedding Soil	A complete mix composed of bark, compost and sand.	Used for shrubbery and flower beds. Excavate bed to required depths (4 to 12 inches) and fill completely with soil. Begin fertilization program when plants get established.
Enriched Topsoil	A complete mix composed of compost and sand.	Designed especially for establishing turf grass on lawns. Useful for lawn level up and as a soil amendment on heavy clay soils. Turf grass areas should be established on a minimum of 3 inches of Enriched Topsoil.
Azalea Planting Mix	A complete soil mix composed of fine bark and chunky peat moss plus micronutrients. Naturally acidic pH	Primarily designed for azaleas and rhododendrons. Also suitable for camellias, dogwoods, blueberries, and other acid-loving plants. Excavate 3 to 4", then

	4.5 to 5.5.	build a raised bed to at least 12" above the surrounding grade.
Raised Bed Garden Mix	A complete mix consisting of fine bark, compost, peat moss and sand.	Primarily used for vegetable gardens. Can be used for flower beds as well. Build a raised bed to at least 12" above the surrounding grade and fill completely with soil.
Soil Amendments:		
Premium Grade Compost	Highest grade compost. 100% mechanically composted hardwood sawdust and animal manures with minerals added. Pasteurized and consistent.	Organic plant food and soil amendment for flower beds and gardens.
Composted Peat Replacer	100% mechanically composted hardwood sawdust and animal manures with minerals added. Pasteurized and consistent.	Organic plant food and soil amendment for flower beds and gardens. Can replace peat moss in soil mixes.
Landscaper's Peat Replacer	A blend of aged pine bark and compost.	Renovates existing beds. Add 3-4" on top of existing soil and till in 8" deep.
Expanded Shale	100% natural soil conditioner.	Loosens soil and enhances root development. Add 3" on top of existing soil and till in 8" deep. For potting mix – add at 20% rate.
Mulches:		
Medium Pine Bark	Medium grind, medium aged pine bark. Low wood content	Mulch for weed prevention and moisture retention. Lightweight soilless mixing agent for potting and bedding soils.
Fine Pine Bark	Fine grade, half inch pine bark. Low wood content.	Mulch for weed prevention and moisture retention. Lightweight soilless mixing agent for potting and bedding soils. Soil amendment to break up clay.
Shredded Hardwood	100% native oak bark.	Mulch for weed prevention and moisture retention. Mats down and will not wash away. Can be used on pathways or in recreational areas.
Cedar	An aromatic cedar mulch.	Long lasting and beautiful. Topdress 3" deep for weed prevention and moisture retention. Mats down and will not wash away.