

NOURISH YOUR **SOIL**

gardens alive![®]

100% Pure Earthworm Castings

Traditional & Natural Soil Conditioner

Encourages vigorous plant growth and improves aeration and water retention capacity of clay-heavy soils.



Easy-to-use dry formulation

See back panel for application instructions.

INGREDIENTS
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NET WEIGHT: 5 lbs.
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Earthworm castings encourage vigorous plant growth and improve aeration and water retention capacity of soil. Use liberally to improve soil beds for vegetables, annuals, perennials, shrubs and lawns. Also excellent in potting mixes for houseplants. Dry formulation is easy to use and will not "burn" even delicate seedlings.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

New plantings and transplants

- **Vegetables and Annual Flowers:** Line bottom of plant holes and seed furrows with 1-2 in. of worm castings. Set seeds or plants in place and cover with soil.
- **Potted Plants and Potting Mix for Seeds/Seed Flats:** Use 1 part worm castings to 2 parts soil.
- **Roses, Trees, Shrubs and Berries:** Mix 1 part worm castings to 2 parts soil. Surround newly dug hole with mixture. Spread roots over a mound of the mix in the hole and cover.
- **Lawns:** Apply 10 lbs. per 100 sq. ft. Work 1-2 in. into topsoil. Mix in grass seed and water well.

Existing plantings

- **Vegetables and Annual Flowers:** Once every 2 months during the growing season, side-dress at the rate of ½ cup per plant or 1 cup per linear foot of row.
- **Perennials:** Work ½ cup into the soil above the root zone, taking care not to damage shallow roots. Apply in early spring, early summer and early fall.
- **Potted Plants, Window Boxes or Hanging Baskets:** Add ½-1 in. worm castings to top of soil. Mix in, taking care not to damage shallow roots. Water. Repeat every 2 to 3 months.
- **Roses:** Mix 4 cups worm castings into soil 2-3 in. below the surface of each plant.
- **Lawns:** Distribute as a top-dressing at the rate of 4 lbs. per 100 sq. ft.

Compost Piles

Spread a thin layer of worm castings between each new layer of material to be composted.

Liquefied Castings

Soak 1 part worm castings in 2 parts water for at least 1 week. Castings tea watering is excellent for fruiting, flowering or difficult to access potted plants.

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