



J&L Garden Center

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Mulch Descriptions



Bumper Crop

Bumper Crop is the best, most popular soil amendment that we have available. It is a natural fortified mulch that is excellent for both vegetable and flower gardens. It is pH balanced and contains long-lasting organic nutrients. This product contains Chicken Manure, Bat Guano, Worm Castings, Kelp Meal, Composted Bark products and Mycorrhizae, a beneficial bacteria. It will not burn any plants - new or old. It helps break up clay soil and helps increase the water holding capacity of sandy soils. It is also an excellent mulch to mix in soil when planting new shrubs, flowers, vegetables, and trees.

2 cubic foot bag

Covers 3'x 4' area 2" deep or 6' x 4' area 1" deep.



Black Forest Compost

Black Forest is great for mulching gardens, covering lawn seed, and for preparing all garden areas for planting. This product contains Chicken Manure, Bat Guano, Bark products, and is pH balanced so it will not burn any plants - new or old. Its long lasting ingredients help break up clay soil and improve drainage in compacted soils. It also helps increase the water holding capacity of sandy soils. Even though it contains many of the same ingredients as Bumper Crop, it does not contain as many nutrients. It is a black compost so it helps to darken the soil that it is mixed with. The unique size and shape of its organic contents makes it a great mulch for improving all types of soil conditions.

3 cubic foot compressed bag

Covers 3'x7' area 2" deep or 6' x 7' area 1" deep.



Gardener's Choice Planting Mix

Gardener's Choice Planting Mix is an all-purpose, all natural, all organic planting mix that improves porosity and promotes drainage in clay soil. This is a good planting mix that has been composted and pH balanced to prevent burning new roots. You can even plant directly into this mix without burning the plant's roots, although its most beneficial use is improving the existing soil. This product contains worm castings, bat guano, chicken manure, kelp meal, sand, and screened topsoil.

2 cubic foot bag

Enough mix to plant 3 - #5 plants or 8- # 1 plants.

Acid Planting Mix

Acid Planting Mix is formulated for all acid loving plants.



It contains all organic, long lasting ingredients that help improve soil porosity and drainage. Use this product when planting rhododendrons, azaleas, japanese maples, daphne and other acid loving shrubs and trees - instead of peatmoss. This is a good mix of organic products that has been composted and pH adjusted to prevent burning new roots. You can use this product to amend soil in containers and to mix 50% with the soil around each shrub you plant. Your acid loving plants will love it.

1.5 cubic foot bag

Enough mix to plant 2 - #5 shrubs or 6 - #1 plants.



Peatmoss

Peatmoss is made from sphagnum peat. It is grown, harvested, compressed, and packaged in the Canadian Peat Bogs. Peatmoss is a general purpose soil conditioner that has good water holding capabilities. It is slightly acid, making it an excellent mulch to mix with your soil when planting all acid loving plants, such as azaleas, rhododendrons, and japanese maples. Peatmoss is very fine so it is not the best mulch to mix in clay soils, but it works great in sandy soils.

2.2 cu ft bag covers 200 - 300 square feet of seed 1/8" deep or 40 sq ft garden 1" deep.

3.8 cu ft bag covers 600 - 700 square feet of seed 1/8" deep or 72 sq ft garden 1" deep.



Soil Pep

Soil Pep is an excellent soil amendment for both a top dressing and for mixing into the soil when planting seeds, flowers, shrubs or trees. This mulch is made of composted bark products. Soil Pep does not rob nutrients from the soil, but it does not contain any added nutrients or animal manures. Fertilize your gardens and plants regularly throughout the summer to compliment the benefits of Soil Pep.

2 Cubic Foot Bag and also available in bulk.

Covers 3'x4' area 2" deep or 6' x 4' area 1" deep.



Nutri Mulch

This mulch is made from a mixture of composted sawdust and turkey manure. The sawdust and turkey manure is gathered from the floors of the turkey pens before the turkeys are released into their growing yards. Nutri Mulch is then composted until all the materials reach the desired texture. It contains a lot of

organic nitrogen from the turkey manure. Straight turkey manure, without the sawdust, would be much too strong for your gardens and would contain too much salt for your plants to tolerate. This is just the right blend.

'**Ferti Mulch**' is a similar product made from chicken manure instead of turkey manure. It has the same basic benefits and is great to use in all flower and vegetable gardens.

2 cubic foot bag and also available in bulk.
Covers 3'x 4' area 2" deep or 6' x 4' area 1" deep.



Steer Manure

Steer Manure is not exactly what the name implies. It is not just steer manure, it contains all types of cow manure. It contains some composted sawdust as well. It also contains organic nitrogen, as part of the cow manure. Steer Manure is great to mix in all types of soils.

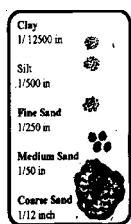
1 cubic foot bag
Covers 3'x 2' area 2" deep or 3' x 4' area 1" deep.



Mountain West Topsoil

This is a soil that contains a considerable amount of composted organic materials, including forest humus and reed sedge peat. It does not contain any added nutrients. You can plant directly into this topsoil or you can mix this topsoil with your existing soil to help improve it.

1 cubic foot bag
Covers 3'x 2' area 2" deep or 3' x 4' area 1" deep.



J&L Common Topsoil

This soil is an economical way to add soil in the yard. It is good to level areas where you are going to plant a lawn. It is good for gardens if you mix 30% to 50% organic materials with it. This soil has a combination of sand, loam, and silt particles. Unfortunately, plain topsoil can pack down and harden in the garden unless organic materials are mixed with it. Add manure, compost, or any other organic product to this soil to improve its benefits. This soil does not contain any added nutrients, so fertilize as necessary.

Available only in bulk. One Yard Covers 5'x 30' area 2" deep or 5' x 20' area 3" deep.



J&L Topsoil - Compost Mix

This soil is great to add to all flower and vegetable gardens. It is also good for creating mounds in the yard. This soil is a mixture of 50% soil and 50% compost. You can plant directly in the soil or you can mix it with the existing soil to help improve the soil in entire area. This soil is not a potting soil, to be used in containers, but it is an excellent planting soil to be used throughout the yard. The soils used in this mix are sandy topsoil, loam, and some clay soils. The soil will remain workable and it will help retain moisture. It does not contain any added nutrients, so you should fertilize your garden regularly to promote plant growth.

Available only in bulk. One Yard Covers 5'x 30' area 2" deep or 5' x 15' area 4" deep.

J&L Compost

This mulch is great to mix into all garden soils to help improve the soil structure. It will help hold water in sandy soils and it will help loosen tightly compacted soils, so excess water can drain away. It will help hold nutrients you add to the soil, even though it does not provide any extra nitrogen. This mulch will not burn plants even when added in large quantities. This mulch is made of composted garden waste and composted horse manure. It is well aged and screened. It does not contain any added nutrients and most of the natural nutrients in the horse manure have been used up during the composting process.

Available only in bulk. One Yard Covers 5'x 30' area 2" deep or 5' x 20' area 2" deep.



Black Gold Potting Soil

Black Gold Potting soil is a multi-purpose, nutrient-rich mix that is ideal for all plants, both indoor and outdoor. It is great for hanging baskets, patio containers and for mixing into the soil when planting vegetables and flowers. It contains sphagnum peatmoss, worm castings, forest humus, pumice, and a slow-release fertilizer. This soil is specially formulated to provide both moisture retention and good drainage.

Available in 4 quart, 8 quart, 16 quart, 1 cubic foot, and 2 cubic foot bag.



Black Gold CocoBlend Potting Soil

CocoBlend Potting soil is a specially formulated potting soil designed to provide extra water-holding capabilities. It is extremely valuable in containers that tend to dry out quickly, such as hanging baskets and containers in hot and windy locations. This soil contains sphagnum peatmoss, coconut fiber (coir), worm castings, pumice, and organic fertilizer, and lime (to adjust the pH).

Available in 16 quart and 2 cubic foot bag.



Black Gold Seedling Mix

Seedling Mix Potting soil is a specially formulated potting soil designed to provide extra fine soil particles, good moisture retention, and soft soil for germinating seedlings. It is extremely valuable in flats and trays. This soil contains sphagnum peatmoss, finely screened vermiculite and perlite, and a wetting agent to help rapid water penetration and retention.

Available in 8 quart, 16 quart and 2 cubic foot bag

Gardener's Gold Organic Potting Soil



Gardener's Gold Organic Potting Soil is a superior, earthy blend of all natural, all organic ingredients. There are no chemical additives. This soil is ideal for all outdoor plants. It is great for hanging baskets, patio containers and for mixing into the soil when planting vegetables and flowers. It contains fir bark fines, worm castings, forest humus, peatmoss, perlite, bat guano, kelp meal, and composted chicken manure.

Available in 8 quart, 1 cubic foot and 2 cubic foot bags.



Small Bark

Small bark is good for walkways and gardens. It helps prevent weed seeds from germinating. It covers the ground thoroughly and is very effective retarding weed growth. Small bark nuggets are screened from 3/8" to 3/4" in size.

3 cubic foot bag and also available in bulk
Covers 3'x 6' area 2" deep or 3' x 4' area 3" deep.



Medium Bark

Medium bark gives the appearance of large chunks of bark. The wind is not able to blow this bark around as much as the small sized bark. Medium bark nuggets range in size from 1" to 1 3/4".

3 cubic foot bag and also available in bulk
Covers 3'x 6' area 2" deep or 3' x 4' area 3" deep.



Coarse (Large) Bark

Coarse Bark is the largest chunks of bark available. This bark has to be put on very thick to cover the ground to prevent weeds, so it is not very economical to use. Some gardeners will cover the soil with either small bark or shredded bark and then add a small layer of coarse bark to change the appearance to the more coarse look. Coarse bark nuggets range in size from 2" to 3".

3 cubic foot bag
Covers 3'x 4' area 2" deep or 3' x 3' area 3" deep.



Shredded Bark

Shredded Bark is made from the bark of fir trees. It has small and stringy fibers which mat down and makes it an ideal ground cover for windy areas and for slopes. This bark is very effective in preventing weeds from starting to germinate and grow. It is also good for walkways and for areas that you want a natural bark appearance.

3 cubic foot bag and also available in bulk.
Covers 3'x 6' area 2" deep or 3' x 4' area 3" deep.



Playground Bark

This bark provides a softer landing area for children to fall. Put a 6" to 9" deep layer of bark to help cushion the fall. Playground bark is made from aspen tree wood, not from aspen bark. This bark mulch does not give slivers, or make you itch, like other types of bark or wood products can. The natural bark color fades to dull gray in the sunlight.

Only available in Bulk quantities. One Yard covers 5' x 10' area 6" deep.



Mini Nugget Bark

Mini Nugget bark is a size just larger than Soil Pep and a size just smaller than small bark. It is 3/8" and smaller size of forest bark. This bark has not been composted so it is not recommended as a soil conditioner, it is generally used as a top dressing mulch.

2 cubic foot bag
Covers 3'x 4' area 2" deep or 6' x 4' area 1" deep.



Orchid Bark

This is small bark that has been washed and treated so it will provide all the necessary needs for orchid plants. Many orchid growers look for little or no cambium wood in the bark. Kellogg Orchid Bark is very clean with little, if any, cambium or heart wood. Two sizes of bark available, small and medium.

Available in a 12 quart and 2 cubic foot bag



Colored Mulch

Colored Mulch is a shredded bark that has been stained with a bright red color. It is a very good wind resistant bark because it mats down well. It is also good for slopes and hillsides. Colored Mulch will retain its vivid color for at least 3 to 5 years.

3 cubic foot bag - Also available in Bulk.
Covers 3'x 6' area 2" deep or 6' x 6' area 1" deep.



Cocoa Mulch

Cocoa Mulch is the hulls of cocoa beans. This product has been washed to remove all the theobromine (a chocolate product that can make dogs sick). It is completely harmless to pets. Once applied to gardens, Cocoa Mulch releases a natural gum product which binds the shells into a porous mat that holds moisture in the soil, suppresses weed growth, and holds it in place through a minor windstorm (unfortunately not through a 100 mph east wind). Cocoa mulch is not good for walkways.

This product naturally deters slugs and snails but it should not be used in shady areas where it will stay wet. If it is kept wet, it will decompose quickly and create an unsightly mold during the decomposition process. It does not decompose as quickly in hot and dry areas.

2 cubic foot bag
Covers 3'x 4' area 2" deep or 6' x 4' area 1" deep.



Lava Rock

Lava Rock is available in two sizes of small rock. Lava Rock Pebbles are crushed and screened from 3/8" to 3/4" size. Lava Rock Nuggets are crushed and screened from 3/4" to 1 3/4" size.

1 cubic foot bag of both Pebbles and Nuggets.
Lava Rock Nuggets are also available in bulk.
Bag Covers 3'x 2' area 2" deep or 3' x 4' area 1" deep.

We also have two sizes of lava rock boulders available. We have an 18" to 24" size and a 24" to 30" size.



River Rock

River Rock is screened rock that has been quarried from river beds. It's smooth surfaces make river rocks attractive in the gardens. Two sizes are available. River Rock Pebbles are 3/4" to 1-1/4" size rocks. River Rock Nuggets are 1-1/4" to 1-3/4" size rocks.

1/2 cubic foot bag
Covers 3' x 2' area 2" deep.



Pea Gravel

Pea Gravel is crushed rock that has been screened to about 1/8" to 1/4" size pebbles. It is good for using in containers to help with drainage and to provide drainage in sumps and around sprinkler system drains.

1/2 cubic foot bag and also available in bulk.

Bag covers 3' x 2' area 2" deep. Yard covers 5' x 30' area 2" deep.



Play Sand

This sand has been screened (and sometimes washed) to remove the fine particles. Coarse sand particles do not compact as easily, making it a more loose material. Use play sand in sand boxes, as a base for brick pavers, and to help loosen hard or compacted soil. Play sand can also be added to other soil mixes to increase their bulk density, making the soil heavier. Play sand can be used in making cactus soil mixes and mixes to grow other succulent plants.

1/2 cubic foot bag and also available in bulk.

Bag covers 3' x 2' area 2" deep. Yard covers 5' x 30' area 2" deep.



White Rock

White rock nuggets are quarried white quartzite. Some quarries are located in Wyoming and others in Nevada. Once quarried they are crushed and screened to 3/4" to 1-1/2" size nuggets. These rocks tend to fade to either a pinkish cast or a greenish cast, depending on which part of the country they were quarried.

1/2 cubic foot bag

Covers 3' x 4' area 2" deep or 6' x 4' area 1" deep



Vermiculite

This soil amendment is made by heating mica (hydrated laminar) at very high temperatures. Vermiculite helps loosen and aerate the soil. It improves water retention and helps regulate fertilizer release in the soil. Finely screened Vermiculite is often used as a seed starting medium. Larger screened Vermiculite is used for storing bulbs and flower tubers. Vermiculite is in-organic which means it does not decompose and will remain in the soil for many years. Use Vermiculite in addition to organic mulches - not in place of them.

Available in 12 quart and 4 cubic foot bags.

4 cubic foot bag Covers 6'x 4' area 2" deep or 6' x 8' area 1" deep.



Perlite

This soil amendment is made by heating sand (siliceous volcanic rock) at very high temperatures. Perlite helps loosen and aerate the soil. It improves soil drainage. Perlite has excellent water retention and nutrient holding qualities that make it an ideal, long-term soil amendment. Perlite is often used as an additive in potting soil. Perlite is in-organic which means it does not decompose and will remain in the soil for many years. Use Perlite in addition to organic mulches - not in place of them.

Available in 12 quart and 4 cubic foot bag

4 cubic foot bag covers 6'x 4' area 2" deep or 6' x 8' area 1" deep.



Utelite

This soil amendment is mined near Coalville, Utah. Utelite helps loosen and aerate the soil. It is extremely helpful in breaking up hard or compacted clay soils. It improves water retention and helps oxygen penetration in the soil. Utelite is expanded shale, an in-organic product that does not decompose and will remain in the soil for many years. Mix plenty of Utelite in the soil before you plant, you will see an immediate improvement in your gardens. Be sure to use Utelite in addition to organic mulches - not in place of them. Utelite can also be spread on top of a recently aerated lawn and raked into the holes to help improve the soil in your lawn areas.

1/2 cubic foot bags and also available in bulk.

Bag covers 3' x 2' area 2" deep. Yard covers 5' x 30' area 2" deep.



Coconut Mulch (Coir)

Coconut mulch is made from ground coconut shells. Coconut fibers absorb and hold 5 times more water than peatmoss. This mulch also takes several years to decompose, so it remains in the soil for many years. It helps to increase water retention, to add extra air spaces in the soil, and to help improve the soil structure.

Available in small blocks, 1 and 2 cubic foot bags and 4 cubic foot bale.

Coverage Guide for Soil Mulches and Amendments

Cubic Feet Of Product	Depth						
	1	2	3	4	5	10	27
	Square Feet Covered						
1/8"	96	192	288	384	480	960	
1/4"	48	96	144	192	240	480	
1/2"	24	48	72	96	120	240	648
1"	12	24	36	48	60	120	324
2"	6	12	18	24	30	60	160
3"	4	8	12	16	20	40	108
4"	3	6	9	12	15	30	81