

# Miracle-Gro®

## PEAT FREE

PREMIUM

# Cactus, Succulent & Bonsai Compost

## ROOTED IN SCIENCE



### SPECIAL SAND MIX

Contains a unique blend with sand that improves drainage for **optimum moisture balance**.



### pH BALANCED

Contains **less lime** to provide the **slightly acid conditions** cacti, succulents and bonsai love.



### 11 VITAL NUTRIENTS

This compost contains a careful balance of **11 vital nutrients** that help your plants to grow strong and healthy - including nitrogen for green growth, phosphorus for healthy roots and potassium to give great flowers and fruiting.

## HOW TO USE



Ideal for cacti, succulents, bonsai, alpines and African violets. Perfect for use in pots, containers and hanging baskets. Use the compost directly from the bag. Do not mix with other materials.

### POTTING

#### CACTI AND SUCCULENTS



Fill  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the pot with drainage material such as grit or washed gravel. Cover with a layer of the compost.



Insert the plant into the new container, infilling around the root ball with more compost.



Fill the pot to 10mm below the rim. Ensure the plant is at the same level of compost as it was in the previous container.



Top dress with gravel or grit. Allow to settle for 2-3 days, then water with tepid rainwater.

#### BONSAI



Select a special pot with drainage holes, that is in proportion to the size of your plant and its roots. The existing pot may be re-used after cleaning.



Position anchor wires through the drainage holes, cover the drainage holes with mesh and a layer of grit. Water plant thoroughly and remove from the existing pot.



Add a layer of the compost, plant the tree and add compost to the correct height.



Firm lightly and water thoroughly. Keep in a shaded spot for a few weeks to allow roots to form.

### REPOTTING

#### CACTI AND SUCCULENTS

Select a container one size larger than the previous one, then follow potting instructions above. Discard any surface dressing from the plant before inserting it into the new container.

#### BONSAI

- Bonsai should be re-potted in late winter (just before bud burst) every year for the first few years.
- Water the plant thoroughly and remove from the existing container. If the container remains correct in scale to the tree shape and size, then re-use after thoroughly cleaning.
- Comb out the roots away from the trunk, avoiding any roots that may be displayed on the soil surface. Cut back any long roots. Follow steps 3-4 for potting, ensuring all gaps between the roots are filled. Water the tree thoroughly.



Ordinary Garden Soil

Miracle-Gro® Premium Peat Free All Purpose Compost

**GUARANTEED GROWS PLANTS TWICE AS BIG!\***

\*Our scientific trials prove that Miracle-Gro Premium Peat Free All Purpose Compost grows plants **twice as big** as ordinary garden soil.

## HOW MUCH COMPOST IS IN THIS BAG?

2

MEDIUM POTS  
22 cm (9")

1

LARGE POT  
25 cm (10")

1

HANGING BASKET  
30 cm (12")

## USEFUL TIPS

### CACTI

- General care:** Cacti do best when they are grown in direct sunlight. To flourish and flower they need watering and feeding during the active growing season.
- Watering:** Water the compost thoroughly with tepid rainwater, allowing the surface to dry out before watering again.
- Feeding:** Between March and October water regularly and feed every 2 weeks with a balanced feed such as **Miracle-Gro® Plant Food** at half the recommended rate.
- Winter care:** In winter keep compost cool and almost dry.

### BONSAI

- General care:** Once established you will need to root prune and re-pot every few years. This encourages new feeder roots and allows the root ball to keep in scale with the canopy.
- Watering:** Check your bonsai for water requirements daily. In summer you may need to water the plant every evening.
- Feeding:** Feed during the growing season every 3 weeks with a balanced feed such as **Miracle-Gro® Plant Food** at half the recommended rate.
- Winter care:** When the trees are dormant, natural rainfall may be sufficient for weeks on end.

## CARING FOR PLANTS & THE PLANET

**PEAT FREE + TLC = BETTER (PLANTS+ PLANET)**

GOING PEAT FREE MEANS:



A few more bits in the bag    A check before you water    A feed when needed



Better for your plants, better for the planet

**NOT ALL PEAT FREE COMPOST IS CREATED EQUAL**  
#FORPLANTSFORPLANET

### RESPONSIBLE SOURCING

We are actively working on improving the responsible sourcing profile of our compost mixes year on year. Miracle-Gro® compost contains forest by-products, carefully processed to help you grow plants that improve your environment and make the world a more beautiful place.

With our partners we have **restored more than 3,000 hectares of peatland** in the past 30 years.

#### RESPONSIBILITY INDEX



For further information, scan the QR code or visit: [responsiblesourcing.hta.org.uk](https://responsiblesourcing.hta.org.uk)



**THIS BAG IS MADE FROM 60% RECYCLED MATERIAL**



RECYCLE AT RECYCLING POINT

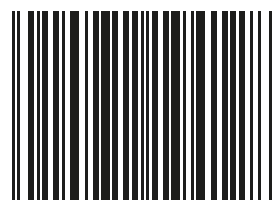
Don't recycle at home

## HEALTH, SAFETY & STORAGE ADVICE

- Use in a well ventilated place and avoid breathing in dust.
- Always wear gloves.
- Wash hands after use.
- Open bag carefully and reseal after use.
- Keep the bag closed when in storage to prevent drying out.
- Storage from one year to another may affect performance.
- Store in a cool place, away from direct sunlight.
- Keep away from pesticides.

10L

10 litres when filled – volume may reduce by up to 10%\*



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