

Filling your Vegepod:

The easiest way to fill a Vegepod is to use a good quality bagged potting mix. This is available from all Garden Centres and most hardware stores. Generally the more expensive the potting mix the better results you will get.

You can also substitute a portion of the potting mix for Perlite or Vermiculite. These will help lighten the soil allowing plants roots to grow more easily. They also retain water so you are able to reduce the amount of watering. You will need to look for this online as most garden centres only sell it in 5-litre bags. A large Vegepod can use 100 litres. Well priced perlite or vermiculite available here, see bottom of page

Fertilising: We use bagged cow manure, you can use, chicken manure, compost, mushroom compost or any other natural fertiliser. We also use Seasol which helps promote root growth.

Method: Always ensure you fill the Vegepod right to the top.

The self-watering reservoir is designed to operate at maximum efficiency when this is the case. You can even fill it past the rim as over time it will settle lower.

We use perlite at the bottom as the wicking properties of perlite are superior to potting mix. We fill the wells and 2cm on the trays as the first layer. We then add potting mix and cow manure in the bottom half combined with more of the perlite and mix this all together. (It is recommended you use a face- mask when pouring bagged potting mix.)

The top half of the soil should contain the rest of the potting mix and perlite combined. It is a good idea to keep the cow manure lower so as to prevent the roots of seedlings from burning. The roots will soon find the fertiliser when the plant requires it.

It is fine to use straight potting mix – the following mixes are optional.

Filling Small Vegepod:

WITH PERLITE

3 bags (25L) potting mix
1 bag (25L) cow manure
1 bag (25L) perlite

WITHOUT PERLITE

4 bags (25L) potting mix
1 bag (25L) cow manure

Filling Medium Vegepod:

WITH PERLITE

6 bags (25L) potting mix
1 bag (25L) cow manure
1 bag (50L) perlite

WITHOUT PERLITE

7 bags (25L) potting mix
2 bags (25L) cow manure

Filling Large Vegepod:

WITH PERLITE

12 bags (25L) potting mix
2 bag (25L) cow manure
1 bag (100L) perlite

WITHOUT PERLITE

15 bags (25L) potting mix
3 bags (25L) cow manure