

# Compost



Healthy soil is of the utmost importance in successful gardens, yet is something that many gardeners struggle with. The addition of organic material such as compost is an easy and inexpensive way to improve the condition of your soil.

If you have a large area to amend, adding bagged compost can be quite costly. Greenland carries 'Second Nature' Horticultural compost in bulk, meaning you can purchase large amounts at a reasonable price.

'Second Nature' compost is manufactured locally at Edmonton's compost facility and is safe and easy to use. This compost is rich in organic matter and microbial population, both of which are essential components to healthy and productive soils. The compost is rigorously tested to ensure that it is free of contaminants such as heavy metals etc. The composting process also "pasteurizes" the product, thereby ridding it of weed seeds and diseases that could infect plants. The compost is made from various biodegradable materials as well as wood chips.



This compost is beneficial because it:

- Adds valuable organic matter, improving drainage and slowing compaction, especially in clay soils.
- Improves the moisture holding capacity of sandy soils.
- Reduces soil erosion and nutrient leaching.
- Helps replenish beneficial bacteria in the soil, helping to keep plants healthy.
- Provides plant nutrition.



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Compost is excellent for amending depleted soils, enriching planting mixes, and enhancing the growth of turf and ornamental plants. If you prefer to purchase compost in bags, Greenland does carry bagged compost.



To amend soil, add compost to garden beds every year. Add an inch or two on top of the soil, and dig this into the top 6 – 8 inches. For perennial beds, compost can be added and carefully worked into the top few inches of soil taking care not to disturb surrounding roots. Compost can be added either in spring or in fall.

Our bulk compost can be loaded into the box of your truck; compost is available in 1/2 cu. yard increments. Don't have a truck available? Greenland also offers a delivery service for all of our bulk products.



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