

Make your own balanced organic fertilizer

We have spent 20 years improving our vegetable garden soil by adding composted horse and chicken manure at the end of each growing season. Some years we used cover crops or leaf mold. The result is a rich, well-drained plot that has the capacity to retain moisture and slowly feed what we plant.



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Despite the healthy soil condition, I still do a little side dressing with fertilizer at the optimum time. My supplies for some homemade fertilizer include bags of alfalfa meal, bone meal, and cottonseed meal. It makes sense that the mixture would supply a more complete slow-release source of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium, as well as important trace elements like calcium, magnesium, zinc and copper.

To mix the perfect organic fertilizer I follow Steve Solomon's recipe. Solomon is an organic gardener, author, and founder of Territorial Seed Company. His complete organic fertilizer has a few more ingredients than just alfalfa meal, bone meal and cottonseed meal. Solomon's mixture includes seed meals, lime, bone meal, kelp meal and some rock dust. Each does something special in terms of improving the soil and feeding our plants.

He suggests that we shallowly work 4 to 6 quarts per 100 square foot bed before planting and then again as a side dressing to vegetable plants that are considered medium to heavy feeders

every 3 to 4 weeks during the growing season. Medium feeders include Brussels sprouts, cabbage, cucumbers, squash, peppers, tomatoes, and garlic.

Seed meals (made from cotton seed, soybeans, flaxseed, alfalfa, etc.) typically have a nitrogen-phosphorus-potassium (N-P-K) ratio of 6-4-2. Lime is important because it contains calcium but be aware that there are different forms of lime. Dolomitic lime is the best because it has calcium and magnesium carbonates. Agricultural lime is mostly calcium carbonates; and gypsum is mostly calcium carbonate.

This may not mean much to us but to plants the extra trace elements, or micronutrients, are needed in small amounts and these various forms of lime provide them. Solomon recommends that we use a mixture of all

three, ideally. Solomon also warns that quicklime, burnt lime and hydrated lime should never be used in the mixture.

Bone meal is rich in phosphorus, necessary for plants to bloom well; and kelp meal provides the entire range of trace elements as well as hormonal components that help to regulate growth and maintain vigor (some say, however, that the power of kelp is a bit exaggerated). Rock dusts are apparently a good source of micronutrients and can be used in place of the kelp meal.

So, now that we have our ingredients, we need the recipe. Grab a big bucket and a scoop and measure out by volume 4 parts seed meal, one-quarter part agricultural lime, one-quarter part gypsum, one-half part dolomitic lime; and he urges for best results, add one-part bone meal or rock phosphate dust, and one-half to one-part kelp meal. Organic fertilizer is as

potent as synthetic so do not overuse it. The difference

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