

## RECIPES COURTESY : <https://savvygardening.com/diy-potting-soil/>

### General potting soil recipe for flowers, tropicals, and vegetables

- 6 gallons EACH sphagnum peat moss or coir fiber and compost
- 4.5 gallons perlite
- 1/4 cup lime (if using peat moss)
- 1 & 1/2 cup of the DIY container fertilizer blend found below OR 1 & 1/2 cups of any granular, complete, organic fertilizer.

### DIY container fertilizer blend:

Mix together

- 2 cups EACH rock phosphate and greensand
- 1/2 cup bone meal
- 1/4 cup kelp meal

### Potting soil recipe for potted trees and shrubs

- 3 gallons compost
- 2.5 gallons coarse sand
- 3 gallons sphagnum peat moss or coir fiber
- 2.5 gallons composted pine bark
- 3 gallons perlite
- 2 TBSP of lime (if using peat moss)
- 1 cup granular, organic fertilizer (or 1 cup of the DIY container fertilizer blend above)
- 1/4 cup organic [cottonseed meal](#), if growing acid-loving trees and shrubs

### Potting soil recipe for succulents and cactus

- 3 gallons sphagnum peat moss or coir fiber
- 1 gallon EACH perlite & vermiculite
- 2 gallons coarse sand
- 2 TBSP lime (if using peat moss)

### Potting soil recipe for seed starting

- 2 gallons sphagnum peat moss or coir fiber
- 2 gallons vermiculite
- 1 gallon coarse sand
- 3 TBSP lime (if using peat moss)

### Homemade potting soil for transplanting seedlings

- 2 gallons sphagnum peat moss or coir fiber
- 2 gallons vermiculite
- 1 gallon finely screened compost
- 3 TBSP lime (if using peat moss)
- 2 TBSP granular, organic fertilizer (or 2 TBSP of the DIY container fertilizer blend above)

### Potting soil recipe for houseplants

- 2 gallons sphagnum peat moss or coir fiber
- 1.5 gallons perlite
- 2 cups coarse sand
- 3 TBSP lime (if using peat moss)
- 2 TBSP granular, organic fertilizer (or 2 TBSP of the DIY container fertilizer blend found above)