

5 Easy Summer Compost



1) Topdress lawns with 1/4" to 1/8" of compost. Don't forget to water after to ensure proper nutrient dispersion. Topdress lawns with compost in the summer reduce watering needs and help lawns retain water during dry spells.



2) Side dress:

- Trees and shrubs with 1/4 to 1/2 inch of compost.
- Plants and flowers with 1/8 to 1/4 inch of compost.

Side-dressing ensures a slow release of nutrients and helps plants retain moisture.



3) Replenish nutrients in potted plants (indoor or outdoor). Add 1/8 to 1/4 inch of compost on to posted plants around the base. Be sure to water in after, as this will help existing soil mix.



4) Brew Compost Tea. Soak any leftover or extra compost in water for 24 hours. Once tea is ready use as a nutrient spray for or as a liquid fertilizer for outdoor and indoor plants, trees, and shrubs. For best results, use within 2 days of brewing.

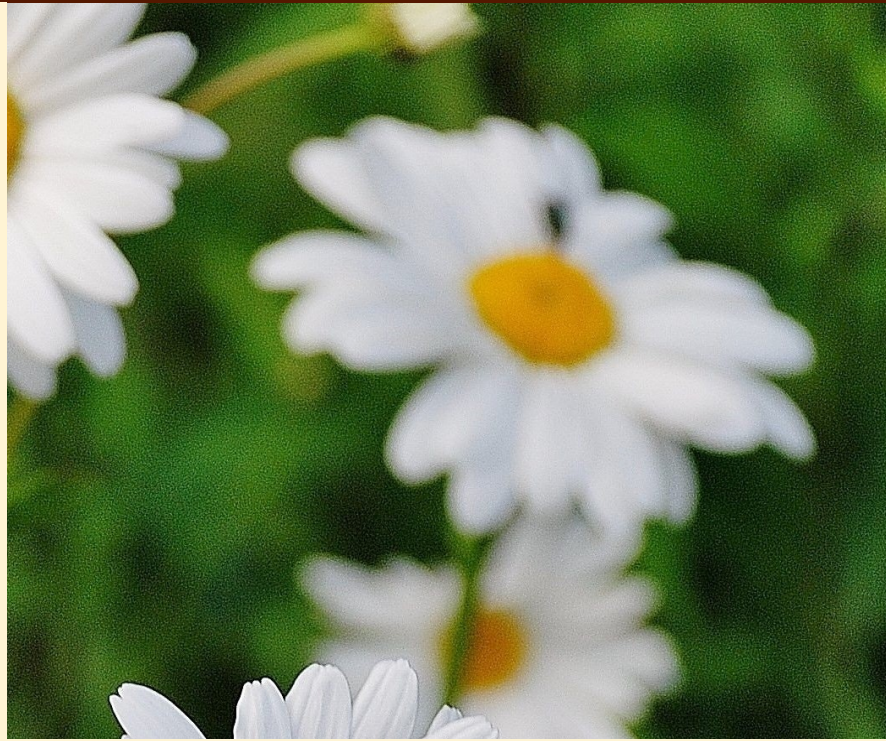


5) Use compost on roses to supply nutrients during the growing season. Topdress roses (careful not to cover roots entirely) with 3/4 to an inch of compost.

The District of Summerland's Compost

Benefits of Using Compost:

- Prevents erosion and stabilizes soil.
- Lowers irrigation and watering needs.
- Provides necessary nutrients for plant growth.
- Diverts waste from landfills.
- Helps plants withstand pests and disease.
- Reduces weeds.
- Lowers winter damage and nutrient loss.
- Increases soil infiltration.
- Adds beneficial microbes to soil.
- Saves money by reducing the number of garden products and watering needs.



District of Summerland Compost

District of Summerland's compost is high quality, sustainable, and safe Class A biosolid compost. The Class A government designation means that the product can be sold with no restrictions. It can be safely applied to lawns, flowers, shrubs and gardens.

Compost Pricing

Head up to the Summerland Landfill with your containers/bags and shovel, and pay 2 cents per kilogram (minimum charge \$2.00) for premium District of Summerland Compost! If needed, we can load your truck, approximately \$22.00 per load. Trucks can be loaded between 9:00am-2:45pm, except between 12:00-12:30 for lunch.



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