

Seed bombs

Why not make your own and distribute them into those corners of the garden that you have neglected?



Before seed bombing, assess a site for sunniness and choose your seeds accordingly. They do not need to be sun-loving annuals: foxgloves would suit a shadier site. Cosmos (as shown above), a classic annual, is a perfect candidate for seed bombs.

Different types of seed may be combined to make a seed bomb but check that they can all be sown at the same time of year.



Best flowers for seed bombs: for sunny areas, annual meadow flowers including poppies, cornflower, marigold; cosmos; hollyhocks; nigella. For shady areas, use a woodland seed mix.



The instructions are simple enough. Takes 30 minutes.

Ingredients:

- Flower seed
- Potter's clay powder, from any craft shop
- Peat-free compost
- Water
- A bowl
- A baking tray
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Instructions:

Mix the seed, clay, and compost together in a bowl to a ratio of three handfuls of clay, five handfuls of compost, and one handful of seed. Then carefully add water slowly and gradually (you don't want it too gloopy), mixing it all together until you get a consistency that you can form into truffle-sized balls. Lay them out to bake dry on a sunny windowsill for at least three hours.

