Seed Bombs

Activity Sheet 5 'How to make'



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How to make...wildflower meadow seed bombs

To make your bombs you will need:

- □ A scoop or cup measure between 10ml & 25ml (the larger the measure the more bombs you get! A re-purposed washing powder scoops work well!)
- □ **1-2 scoops of wildflower seeds** (you can find wildflower seed mix online)
- **5 scoops of peat free compost** (coco compost works well too)
- **3 scoops of powdered clay** (this can be found online)
- Water

Find a mixing bowl that you can get a little muddy!

- In the bowl, mix the dry ingredients together thoroughly.
- Slowly add the water little by little until the mix is sticky but not too wet.
- **Gently** roll the mixture into balls about the size of golf balls.
- Leave the balls to dry fully somewhere warm or sunny and turn them
 occasionally so that they dry evenly Note: Don't dry them on a radiator
 or with a hairdryer as they will dry too fast and may crack or crumble.

When they are fully dry, you can 'plant' your seed balls by throwing them into areas of the flowerbed or garden...then wait and watch your meadow flowers grow. Make a note of any insects that visit!

Try something different – instead of making balls, pack the mix inside small cookie cutters and press out to create interesting shapes!

Keep them in a dry tin, and 'sew' the seed bombs when the seed packet advises.

Seed bombs make great presents too, pack them in a decorated paper bag or box!

