



HANDY INFORMATION SHEET

Fruit Blend

- What is it?** ❖ A Fruit and Tree Conditioner containing Nitrogen, Natural Phosphate, Potassium, Sulphate, Calcium, Magnesium, Iron, Zinc, Copper, Boron, **plant available silica**, minerals and other trace elements and beneficial soil micro-flora.
- What does it do?** ❖ Provides a balance of nutrients as required by the fruiting plant. This improves the flowering of the plant as well as producing better quality fruit with enhanced keeping qualities.
Promotes a more robust, healthier root system, which allows the plant to better withstand adverse conditions.
- Where and when to use it?** ❖ All newly planted or established fruit trees and other fruiting plants. Fruit Blend has been blended specifically to enhance maturing fruit quality and improve shelf life, while maintaining healthy plant growth.
- How often do you use it?** ❖ **Young Non Bearing plants:** *generally every 6 months.
Established plants: *applied at various stages of growth, but generally 4-5 times per year.
*Consult the establishing and fruiting guide on the back of this page or the brochure "So you want to grow a fruit tree".
- Application Rates** ❖ Follow the guide mentioned above or may be determined by soil analysis in pre-plant situations and by soil and sap analysis where plants are already established.
- Ordering and Packaging** ❖ Available through Earthlife Garden Care outlets.
For your preferred outlet, call 1800 819 003.
Product is available in: 4 kg Bucket, 15 kg Bag
- Other Important Information** ❖ Maintains pH level longer.
Will not burn plant foliage or root hairs.
Best response, when spread on the soil and worked in or watered-in with irrigation.

Fruit Blend is a soil and tree conditioning product of the highest quality

Typical Analysis of Fruit Blend

Element	Nitrogen	Phosphate	Potassium	Calcium	Magnesium	Silica	Sulphur
Percent	4.0	4.3	5.1	14.2	3.1	16.2	6.5
Plus Copper, Zinc, Boron, Iron and other Trace and Ultra Trace Elements							

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SO,... YOU WANT TO GROW A FRUIT TREE



Follow these simple Earthlife steps and you will achieve healthy productive trees for years to come. The main criteria required for establishing a healthy fruit tree is to ensure that the soil is balanced, an adequate supply of quality water is available and the planting stock is healthy and vigorous.

PREPARATION OF SOIL PRIOR TO PLANTING

- Loosen a minimum of 1 square metre of soil for each tree.
- Apply products as per establishment guide below.
- Turn over the soil and water thoroughly.
- Apply mulch.

Ideally this preparation be completed three months prior to planting, otherwise proceed from planting.

Establishment Guide

Product	Timing	Pre-plant Grams/Sq M	Planting Grams/Sq M	6 months Grams/Sq M	12 months Grams/Sq M	18 months Grams/Sq M	2 Years Grams/Sq M
Garden Mate		300	(A)	100		200	
Fruit Blend		200	200	100	100	100	100
Mulch (B) (cm depth)		10	10	10	10	10	10

A Place 100 grams (1 handful) of Garden Mate around the bottom of the hole and 100 grams (1 handful) through or on top of backfill for every hand-span width of the hole. EG: If the hole is 3 hand-spans wide place 3 handfuls around bottom of hole, place the plant and backfill, placing another 3 handfuls through or on top of backfill. Water in as normal.

B Where mulch is not used as per guides, apply 200 gms/sqm (2 handfuls) of Garden Delight.

Note: Apply all products to a minimum of 1 square metre per tree and at least out to the drip line. Mulch may consist of hay, lawn clippings, mulched plant material, etc. Keep mulch, one hand width away from the tree trunk.

Fruiting Guide

Product	Timing	After Fruit Pick Grams/Sq M	Bud Set Grams/Sq M	Flowering Grams/Sq M	After Fruit Set Grams/Sq M	1/2 Fruit Size Grams/Sq M
Garden Mate		100		100		100
Fruit Blend		200	200	100	100	100
Mulch (B) (cm depth)		10	10	10		

Note: To help identify pests and diseases that will reduce the productivity of your fruit tree, Earth Life Pty Ltd offers a \$10.00 service. By forwarding samples of healthy and unhealthy leaves in separate plastic bags to the address below, identification and specific recommendations will be provided. Samples will be discarded unless contact details and \$10.00 is enclosed.

Earthlife Products Role of Product

Garden Mate pH maintenance, (replaces the need for lime, gypsum and dolomite), soil and plant conditioner, mineral and trace element source, beneficial micro-flora and nitrogen production where mulch is used.

Fruit Blend Mineral based fertiliser with a balance of nutrients to achieve great taste and keeping qualities.

Garden Delight Plant food, 100% natural, contains no manures or foul smell. Use 200 grams (2 handfuls) in place of 10 cm depth of mulch as per guidelines.

For further assistance with your fruit tree, please contact us on 1800 819 003.

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