



# Organic Products A-Z

- A Agrispon** - a liquid bio-stimulant that energizes the soil and makes nutrients more available to plants  
**Alfalfa Meal** - fertilizer useful for specialty plants like roses, azaleas or any plant in stress.
- B Bat Guano** - high nitrogen soil amendment. Increases microbial activity in the soil.  
**Beneficial Nematodes** - microscopic worms in the soil that control fleas, fire ants, grubs, flies and cutworms.  
**Blood Meal** - used as a high-nitrogen fertilizer. Great as a compost activator.  
**BT** (*Bacillus thuringiensis*) - a naturally occurring bacteria that infects and destroys caterpillars. Sold in liquid form as Thuricide and in powder form as Dipel Dust.
- C Coir** - Coconut fiber. Retains moisture in the soil. Increases soil aeration to enhance growth and root stimulation.  
**Copper Fungicide** - Controls powdery mildew, black spot, and rust on plants.  
**Corn Gluten Meal** - organic weed pre-emergent. Suppresses weed seeds in spring and fall.  
**Cottonseed Meal** - fertilizer that is a good source of nitrogen and a natural acidifier making it good for azaleas, camellias and roses.  
**Compost** - add nutrients and beneficial microorganisms to the soil. It's easy to make your own!
- D Diatomaceous Earth (DE)** - a very effective organic insecticide that kills by dehydration. Effective in controlling fleas, roaches, pill bugs, slugs and snails, chinch bugs, cutworms and fungus gnats.
- E Earthworm Castings** - the best, gentle, slow-release organic fertilizer. Great for use in potting soil, for seed germination, or to toss into each hole at planting time.  
**Expanded Shale** - very porous, lightweight "gravel" that improves soil drainage and soil structure.
- F Fish Emulsion** - a concentrated liquid or powdered fertilizer made from fish by-products applied to the soil or as a foliar feed. Ferns love this fertilizer!
- G Garden Coach** - Do you have lots of organic garden questions? Speak to the NHG Garden Coach!  
**Greensand** - rock mineral derived from ocean deposits an excellent source of Potassium. Greensand is good to use in bed preparation or added to potting soil.
- H HastaGro** - liquid fertilizer containing seaweed and humic acid to improve soil structure and nutrient uptake.  
**Horticultural Cornmeal** - used for disease control when fungal problems are present.  
**Humate** - humic acid increases organic matter (microbial activity) in the soil.  
**Humax** - an alfalfa based compost that helps control fungal diseases such as brown patch and take-all patch.
- I Insecticidal Soap** - a very effective natural insecticide, which controls soft-bodied insects like aphids, thrips, mealy bugs, whiteflies, leafhoppers, and spider mites.
- J Juice of Garlic** - used as a liquid concentrate sprayed on foliage to repel aphids, cabbage loopers, leafhoppers, whiteflies, and spider mites.
- K Liquid Kelp or Seaweed** - the best organic product to use in the garden since it is a fertilizer that has both fungicidal and insecticidal qualities. It is used as both a soil drench and a foliar spray.  
**Kitchen Composter** - Convenient way to gather scraps for the compost pile. No mess, no smell!

- L Ladybugs & Lacewings** - 2 of the top beneficial insects to have in your garden to help control a wide range of insect pests.
- Lava Sand** - an excellent soil amendment made from pulverized lava rock that improves clay soil structure.
- M Molasses** - useful as a soil amendment or a foliar spray to feed and stimulate microorganisms
- Mulch** - retains moisture in the soil, composts back into the soil, suppresses weeds
- (a) Pine Straw, slow to break down; good for pathways
  - (b) Shredded Hardwood, creates a finished look. Does not float. Stays where it is placed.
  - (c) Pine Bark, good for acid loving plants
  - (d) Cedar Mulch, pleasant smell, deters mosquitoes, breaks down slowly
- N Neem** - safe and effective pest control that works as a repellent, anti-feedant and growth regular and fungicide.
- Nolo Bait** - a biological control for crickets and grasshoppers in their nymph state.
- NHG Organic Foods** - specially formulated line of organic plant foods for Herbs & Veggies, Pansies, Roses, Bulbs, Seasonal Color and Lawns!
- O Orange Oil** - safe and effective pest control. Dissolves the exoskeleton of insects and acts as a repellent.
- P Potassium Bicarbonate** - controls black spot, powdered mildew, brown patch and other fungus problems
- Pump-up Sprayer** - the most efficient way to apply the foliar spray materials.
- Pyrethrum** - a powerful organic contact insecticide effective on dozens of pests.
- R Rain Barrels** - collect rainwater and save on your water bill as well as helping the environment!
- S SLUGGO** - an iron phosphate bait that controls slugs and snails. It is safe to use around pets and wildlife.
- Spinosad** - controls caterpillars, fleas, leaf miners, thrips, Colorado potato beetle and other chewing insects.
- T Texas Tee** - 100% organic lawn and garden fertilizer consisting of a blend of meals.
- Trichogamma Wasps** - tiny, beneficial wasps that parasitize the egg stage of many damaging caterpillars.
- V Vinegar** - 10% or 20% Vinegar is great for spot weed control.
- X Xeriscaping** - garden design based on water efficient landscaping using native and well adapted plants, mulches, reduced turf areas, and the addition of lots of organic matter to the soil.
- Y Yellow Sticky Traps** - an effective way to monitor which pests are present in your garden
- Z Zinc** - an important trace mineral you can provide by adding lots of compost, manure and organic fertilizers
- Zeolite** - naturally occurring clay product with trace minerals that provides a medium in various types of soils to hold cation exchange capacity

### Recommended Reading

1. [The Organic Rose Garden](#) by Liz DrUITt
2. [Texas Gardening the Natural Way](#) by Howard Garrett
3. [Texas Organic Gardening](#) by Howard Garrett
4. [New Organic Manual](#) by Howard Garrett
5. [Texas Organic Vegetable Gardening](#) by Howard Garrett
6. [Let it Rot, The Gardener's Guide to Composting](#) by Stu Campbell