

Explore Urban Nature:

Seed Bomb Recipe

Seed Bombs:

Seed bombs are a great way to make a fun activity for children to take part in. By making the bombs, the children will enjoy the recipe aspect and learn about measurements, whilst also being taught about the importance of planting flowering plants for pollinators.

Seed Bomb ingredients:

- **Wildflower seeds**, a good amount as they should last a few years. (available from most garden retailers, or you could find some seeds from plants in a nearby meadow)
- **A bag of peat-free compost.**
- **Powdered clay** (from craft shops, or clay based soil)
- **A Bucket of water.**
- **Tables or buckets for mixing.**
- **Some grass or soil areas you can plant your seeds**

Recipe:

1 cup seeds

5 cups of compost

2 cups of clay

1. Mix together these three ingredients making sure the seeds are spread throughout.
2. Start to add your water to the mixture, go slowly until it becomes sticky and won't fall apart.
3. Roll your mixture into balls, judge the size to make sure your class can throw them, you don't want massive or tiny ones!

Optional Experiment:

If you would like to make this into an experiment, choose two or more areas to spread seed bombs.

In one area using trowels or forks break the soil apart and churn it up before throwing bombs. In the other area leave the soil or grass alone and simply throw the bombs in.

To take it further, you could choose some areas which are in constant shade or sun and do the same experiments.

Hopefully, through the year your class will be able to record any difference in the plants growing!