

Seed Bombs

The Paper Mache Method

For these homemade seed bombs, seeds are wrapped in moistened, reconstituted paper. Include some colorful construction paper for your own benefit, or if you're making seed bombs with kids!



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Ingredients

Here's what you need for these homemade seed bombs:

- Several pieces of construction paper, recycled paper, or old newspaper
- Seed mix
- Compost (optional)
- Food processor

Directions

Begin by cutting your construction paper or recycled paper into 1 inch by 1 inch segments. Then place your segments into a small dish and cover them with water. If you choose to, place different colors in their own bowls. Soak them for about 20 to 30 minutes.

Wring out your bowls lightly, and pulse the soaked paper in a food processor. If you've chosen to keep different colored paper separated, pulse them in an isolated food processor session. Then return them to the small bowls and sprinkle in some of your seed mix. Add compost if you've chosen to use it.

If the recycled paper pulp is too dry to form into balls, sprinkle bits of water in until it can be formed. Then roll them into balls, and voila! You have fun, vibrantly-colored seed balls. Let them dry and harden over 24 to 48 hours before bombing.

Tips

- Use your seed bombs carefully.
- Don't throw your seed bombs on private or public property where you will upset someone else's carefully tended garden or lawn.
- Look for neglected areas or weedy street medians.
- Use seeds that are from your area. Native wildflower seeds are recommended.
- Use your seed bombs during the rainy season to increase the chance of germination.

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