

BAT GUANO

Does The Source of Bat Guano Matter?

Bat guano is made from whatever the bats are eating. Because of this, growers can tailor the specific bat guano fertilizer they give their plants during each stage of growth depending on the source of the nutritional additive.

Bat Guano from Mexico



Mexican bat guano is predominantly harvested from insectivorous (insect-eating) bats, such as the Mexican free-tailed bat. Thanks to their bug and insect-filled diet, Mexican bat guano has a high nitrogen content. This makes it perfect for fertilizing your cannabis during the vegetative stage of growth, as nitrogen is an essential nutrient for the plant's ability to photosynthesize.

Bat Guano from Jamaica



Jamaican bats, on the other hand, eat fruits and berries as well as insects. This is equally great for cannabis growers, as fruit and berries are one of the best natural sources of phosphorus, which helps cannabis plants during flower formation. All you need to do is wait until the first few weeks of flowering to feed your plant some Jamaican bat guano.

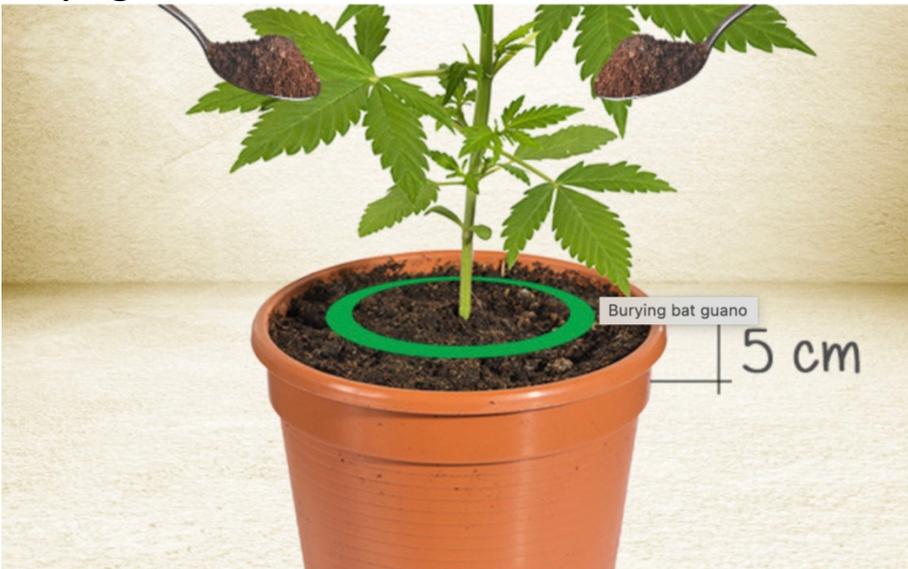
Bat Guano from Indonesia



Another place bat guano is commercially harvested is on the islands of Indonesia, where the bats are frugivores, meaning their diet consists solely of fruit and berries. Because these Indonesian bats are such picky eaters, the guano they produce has the highest ratio of phosphorus to nitrogen. With such a high ratio, using Indonesian bat guano for flowering is ideal, as the phosphorus helps plants with flower formation without any nitrogen, which would cause the production of unwanted foliage.

Ways to Use Bat Guano.

Burying Bat Guano

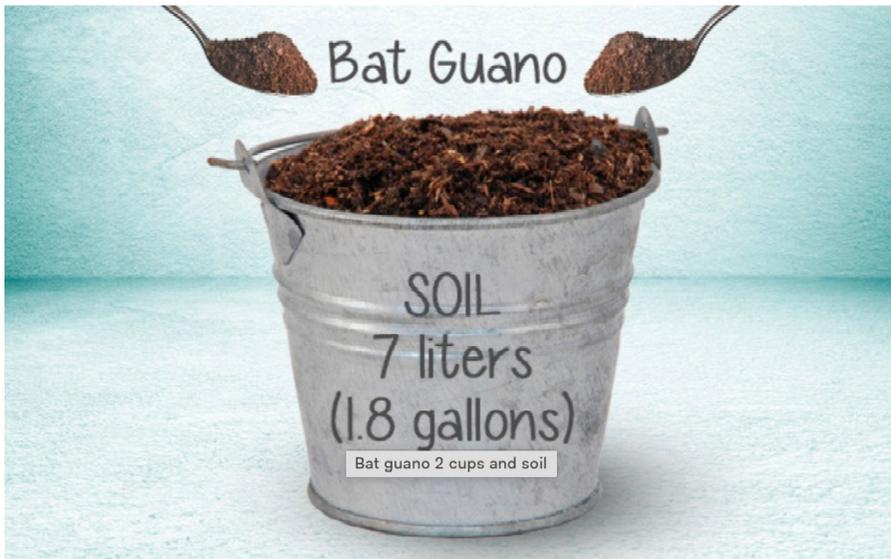


An even simpler method of feeding bat guano to your cannabis is direct soil application, or burying it. To do this, the best way is to dig a shallow (5cm) ring around the trunk of your cannabis plant, halfway between the trunk and the pot walls. Next, scatter two heaped tablespoons of guano per plant, then cover it with soil and, if you're using it, mulch.

Pre-Mixed Potting Soil: As Easy As It Gets

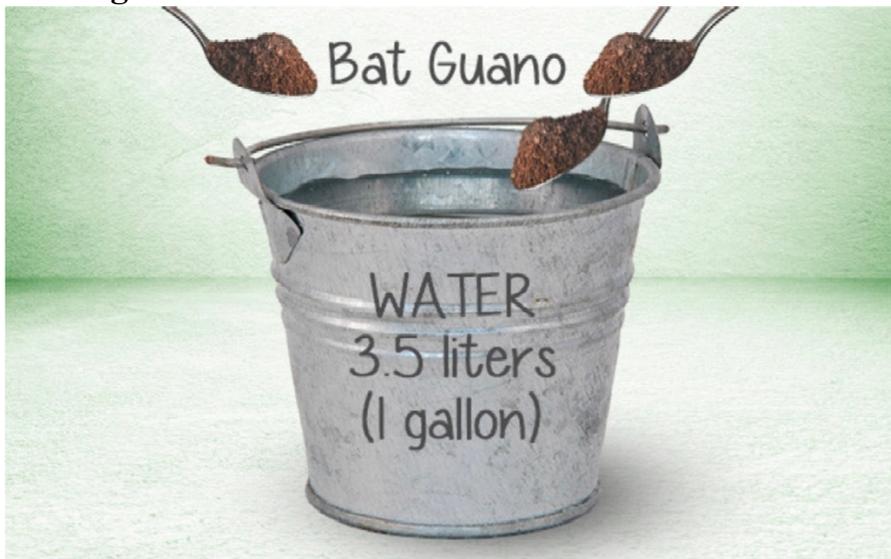
Luckily for us, there's also another convenient way to get bat guano into your cannabis garden without even getting your hands dirty, and that's with pre-mixed potting soil containing bat guano! Using this is the most straightforward way of ensuring your cannabis plant has access to the benefits of bat guano nutrients.

Mixing Into Soil



Whether you're using pots or planting directly into the ground, your cannabis plant will benefit from the slow release of organic nutrients provided by the addition of guano to the soil. To apply it, simply add two heaped tablespoons per 7 liters (1.8 gallons) of soil substrate and mix thoroughly. If time allows, it's best to let this soil mix sit, covered, for up to a month so that the microfauna has a chance to make the nutrients available from day one.

Feeding As a Tea



Making a bat guano tea recipe for flowering or vegging is very simple - all you need to do is add 3 tablespoons of bat guano to 3.5 liters (1 gallon) of warm water and mix thoroughly. Once the guano is dissolved, let the tea sit overnight and feed your plants with it the next day.