IMPORTANT INFORMATION

about handling soils, potting mix and compost

Garden soil and products like compost and potting mix contain micro-organisms, some of which on rare occasions, can cause illness in people. When you work with garden soil or with bags of mulch, compost and potting mix, follow these simple precautions.

Simple safety precautions

- I Gently water your garden & potted plants to minimise airborne droplets and dust
- 2 Read the warning label on bagged composts and potting mixes before use
- **3** Wear gloves and a mask when handling soil including bagged products
- 4 Open bagged products slowly using scissors and lean bag away from your face
- 5 Gently dampen potting mixes before using
- 6 Make sure your working area eg shed, greenhouse, is well ventilated
- **7** Wash your hands when finished.



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