# BIG Bucket of AND Mushrooms. "Australia's 1st OUTDOOR Mushroom patch"



Choose a shaded area of your garden with a ready supply of water. If an unused area of lawn is available, this makes an easy to dig and maintain position. Giant mushrooms can also grow very well when companion planted between rows of corn. Position your mushroom patch in a low traffic area and out of reach of the family pet.



Map out an area approximately 50cm x 50cm and remove the organic layer including grass, weeds, rocks and any loose roots. Weed mats can be placed on the bottom of the patch to discourage any plant growth.

# Innoculation

Take out bag of Giant Mushroom Spawn and put to one side.

Add approx 500ml water to the wood chip mixture and mix together in the bucket. Spread approx ½ of the wood chip mixture evenly across your mushroom patch.

Open bag of Giant Mushroom wood chip spawn and evenly spread across your mushroom patch. Break up any clumpng pieces of wood chip spawn for an even covering.

Take remaining  $\frac{1}{2}$  bucket of wood chip mix and spread another layer over the top of your patch. Gently water in your GIANT mushroom patch with garden hose.

You can also place a layer of straw over your patch to help protect it.







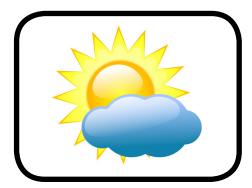


### Caring & Maintaining your GIANT mushroom patch.

Ensure that you mark out your GIANT mushroom patch so that it is easily visible. If your area gets partial sunshine during parts of the day or times of the year, suspend some shade cloth over the mushroom patch. Use garden stakes to hold in position.

You will need to keep your mushroom patch as moist as possible without creating a puddle of water in the patch. Water each day or as required in high shade positions. Don't be afraid to use your fingers to test whether the wood chip is moist however be careful not to disturb the patch too much.

If using any sprays for surrounding garden or grass, try to keep away from your GIANT mushroom patch. Your mushrooms do not require any fertilisers or fungicides.





## Collonisation and Fruiting.

King Stropharia GIANT mushrooms can take anywhere from 4 - 12 months to fully run through the wood chip patch and prepare to produce giant mushrooms. Giant mushroom patches can be set up year round and will generally produce throughout cooler periods of the year after rain or a good watering. Remember that the more care you give your GIANT mushroom patch, the better the results. Your GIANT mushroom patch has the potential to produce for extended periods over several years.

### FOR LARGER GIANT MUSHROOM PATCHES

To create a larger GIANT mushroom patch untreated hardwoods such as Oak, Maple, Alder or Birch can be used to increase the amount of substrate in the patch. Chip timber into small pieces approx 5 - 10cm long, and add to the patch. Your mushroom spawn will spread thoughout the patch and reproduce.



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"Imagine GIANT mushrooms as big as 20cm tall & 30cm in diameter."

