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## Side dressing veggies

Posted by glowery - 2006/06/04 08:31

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I use large containers now for most of my gardening ventures. I have my tomatoes in what are the equivalent of half a 55 gallon barrel. (One plant per barrel.) What will be the best way to side dress these plants with my vermicompost? I will be dividing my bins next month I think, and hopefully I will have enough compost for the maters at least.

Glenda

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## Re:Side dressing veggies

Posted by WormMainea - 2006/06/04 10:15

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I just put it around my tomato plants (after pulling back the mulch) and then move the mulch back over.

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## Re:Side dressing veggies

Posted by glowery - 2006/06/04 10:24

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Well that sounds easy enough. I wasn't sure if I would have to mix it in the soil, or just lay it around the plant.

The plants are really looking good which I will attribute to putting the castings in the trenches when I transplated them, but I know they are going to need more as the growing season progresses.

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## Re:Side dressing veggies

Posted by redhen - 2006/06/05 17:00

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glowery..You do not have to use a lot of vermicompost. If you have a few TBS, just add it to a gallon jug of water and use it to water the plant. Your tomatoes will love it.

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## Re:Side dressing veggies

Posted by thomcat - 2008/08/21 21:16

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How often do you have to side dress veggies? I planted okra and malabar spinach on 6/22/08 and side dressed the seedlings when they were about 3 weeks old. Do I need to reapply? I used some of my own castings but ended up having to buy some....need to get more worms so I can do my own.

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## Re:Side dressing veggies

Posted by squirmwormfarm - 2008/08/25 11:12

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We side dress about a 1/2 inch every 6 weeks or so. The watermelons and pumpkins are loving it!

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## Re:Side dressing veggies

Posted by wellsworms - 2008/08/25 13:36

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