



JOHNSONS NURSERIES

Johnsons Nurseries' statement regarding the use of peat March 2026

Johnsons Nurseries has been committed to reducing the use of 100% peat substrate mixes in our production for over 30 years. For many years, most production was in a substrate containing 40% peat alternatives, and for certain crops such as Lavandula, a peat-free mix was already in use.

In early 2021, as the next step towards reducing our reliance on peat-based substrates, trials of peat-free growing media were initiated across a broader range of crops, and to further show our commitment to the removal of peat from use in Commercial Horticulture, we removed all peat-based bagged products from sale in our Wholesale Plant Centre.

Johnsons is part of the RHS's Peat Free Fellowship <https://www.rhs.org.uk/science/articles/rhs-project-to-accelerate-peat-free> that has the broad aim of helping the UK Horticultural industry as a whole move away from its reliance on peat.

We continue to develop our understanding of production in peat-free growing media, and since May 2025, all Johnsons Nurseries' home-grown plants have been potted in peat-free substrates.

Should you have any questions with respect to peat usage and Johnsons Nurseries' position, then please direct those to our Commercial and Business Manager, Jonathan H. T. Whittemore.

