

Liquid Organic Fertilizer

You need either a sock without holes or a square of fabric about 10 inches square, a piece of string about 2 feet long, a jug (with cap) capable of holding just over a gallon of water and a package of dehydrated granulated manure.

Pour a 1/3 of a cup of the manure into the sock or the center of the fabric. Pull up the ends of the fabric until you have the manure held in a loose "pouch" and tie the pouch closed with one end of the string.

Pour a gallon of room temperature water into the jug and drop the manure pouch into it with the string hanging out like a big tea bag. Put the cap on loosely and let the "tea" "brew" for a day or two.

The water will turn the same color as the manure which indicates that the manure has partially dissolved and released nutrients into the water. Congrats! you now have a concentrate. You can mix the used manure into some soil since it still has nutrients in it.

Dehydrated, granulated manure doesn't stink, except for when its wet. Use this stuff quickly because it starts to stink after a day or two and scum begins forming on the surface (we used manure, remember.)

To use, pour about a cup of the concentrate into a gallon of water and water your veggies with it. The best time to use it is about once every two or three weeks throughout the season and especially when produce is starting to form and ripen.

Pour around the base of plants, or use it as a foliar spray.