



FIELD COMPOST

High Quality Products Made in East Anglia

Field No.9 Pine Play Bark

Product Specification



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Description

A premium quality graded pine bark that can be used either as ornamental bark mulch or as an impact absorbing surface beneath play equipment.

- **Field No.9** meets with specifier requirements for use a loose impact absorbing surface (LIAS) and conforms to BS EN1177.
- **Field No.9** conforms to BS EN4790 for fire resistance.
- **Field No.9** FSC Certified.
- **Field No.9** highly durable and will last for between 3 and 5 years.
- **Field No.9** attractive, high quality ornamental mulch for show gardens and prestigious planting areas.
- **Field No.9** suppresses the growth of existing perennial weeds and resists colonisation by annual weed seeds.
- **Field No.9** allows for clean access to planted areas whilst resisting soil compaction from foot traffic.
- **Field No.9** very free draining and holds moisture in the soil reducing the need for irrigation.
- **Field No.9** adds an insulating layer to the planted area resisting climatic extremes of freezing/drought conditions.

How much do I need?

1. Measure the approximate surface area of the bed or border you wish to mulch.
2. Decide how deep you wish to install the mulch. For best results 75mm – 100mm is recommended.
3. 1m³ of this product will be sufficient to cover the following surface area:

Depth of mulch:	50mm	75mm	100mm
Area covered:	20m ²	13.33m ²	10m ²

Alternatively give us a call with the dimensions of the area you wish to mulch and we will do the calculations for you.

See overleaf for Technical details



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Directions for use

11. Clear weeds from area ahead of planting. Spraying off with a systemic herbicide such as glyphosate two to three weeks prior to planting is particularly effective.
2. Prepare and cultivate the root zone. The addition of Field No. 1 soil conditioner or Field No.16 Tree and Shrub planting compost is recommended at this stage.
3. To further reduce maintenance requirements and to increase mulch life a geo-textile mat can be laid ahead of planting.
4. Plant area.
5. Spread Field No.9 evenly at a depth of between 75 and 100mm (3 to 4 inches) allowing at least 10% for settlement.
6. For best results reduce disturbance of mulch once installed.
7. For best results top up levels every 6-12 months.

Directions for use as LIAS (Loose impact absorbing surface)

1. Clear and mark out area where play equipment/apparatus will be installed.
2. Excavate area to accommodate the installation of bark to recommended minimum depth as per BS EN 1177 recommended depths below. Alternatively railway sleepers can be used to raise up the area in which the play equipment/apparatus will be installed. If you are unsure about the depth at which the LIAS should be installed please give us a call or send us an email?
3. On areas that are poorly drained, it may be necessary to install a drainage area beneath the LIAS.
4. Install a heavy duty geotextile membrane beneath the area on which the bark will be installed.
5. Install bark to the depth required.
6. Field No.9 is manufactured from natural bark residues and as such may contain a small quantity of wood shards/pieces of bark with sharp edges. It may be considered necessary to remove any pieces considered unsafe by hand prior to the play equipment/apparatus being used.

BS EN 1177 Recommended depths of installation

Critical Fall Height	Recommended minimum depth of bark
Less than 6m	300mm
Less than 3.5m	200mm
Less than 1m	200mm

Technical Information

Product constituent	100% Mixed Conifer Bark
Origin	UK
Particle Size Range (Nominal)	18-35mm
White wood content	<5%
Fines content	Minimal
pH	4.0-5.0
Bulk Density	200-00kg/m ³
BS EN 4790 Fire Resistance tested	Yes
BS EN 1177 Tested for impact resistance under play equipment	Yes
FSC Certified	Yes

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