

## Terrarium soil mixes

### Other Types of Soil Mixes to use in Terrariums

Some growers prefer other types of soil mixes for their terrarium plants. Using chopped sphagnum moss over drainage material is an easier way to grow for people new to terrarium growing. Below, are few different soil mixes used by ABS members.

- Live sphagnum moss, forest moss, or sidewalk moss over drainage material [forest moss or sidewalk moss can have pests, diseases, or chemicals in it.]
- Sphagnum moss, chopped and added to small amounts of potting soil
- Sphagnum moss, chopped and mixed with orchid bark
- Nepenthes [pitcher plants] potting mix
- Sphagnum moss, chopped and mixed with bromeliad mix
- Bromeliad mix
- Uncut sphagnum moss-traditional or orchid moss
- Pro-mix HP with biofungicide + mycorrhizae
- Ocean forest from Fox Farm

Soils may be mixed with perlite, moss, bark, peat, akadama, grave, dolomite chips, chicken grit. All mediums should be sterilized to prevent mildew, algae, and other problems in your contained environment

To enter a begonia in a judged show, the plant needs to be planted in the medium in the terrarium. If you are not planning on entering your plant in a judged show, you can place your plant in a pot in a terrarium, under a cloche, or in an aquarium. That may determine what planting medium you use.