

CASE STUDY



Aspire to grow the perfect vegetable?

The story of how one vegetable grower made an extra \$119,200 from a hectare of carrots.

Who: **Vegetable Growing Family Business**

Where: West Victoria

What: One of the largest organic carrots growers in

Product and application rate: Top Quality Carrot Seeds PLUS 12 tonne of Peats Blend 437™ compost vs 17 tonne of standard industry compost. NB - Both paddocks were 1 hectare in size.

Disease Suppresion 100.00

Soil scientists and agronomists around the world recognise that the humic substances found in humus are the most important component of a healthy, fertile soil.

Source: Microbiology Laboratories Australia

Aim of applying Peats Blend 437™

- Improve soil health.
- Supply an organic matter and micro nutrient source in the soil easily absorbed into the plant via water consumption.
- Supress soil borne disease and pathogens such as: Pythium, Streptomyces and Rhyzoctinia. Issues that are currently causing the Farm growth problems in these particular paddocks.
- Clean fine compost that can be spread through a precision spreader quickly and efficiently.





OUTCOMES





- Both hectares were harvested in the same day.
- Disease suppression was achieved due to the pro-biotic microbial activity in Peats Blend 437™.

Harvest Results:

Peats Blend 437™ (One Hectare)

- Harvested 80 tonne
- 95% of carrots were sold on as A grade organic carrots.
- 5% of carrots sold to the juicing plant.

TOTAL REVENUE	\$176,400
Total Cost of Peats Blend 437	\$ 2,000
GROSS REVENUE AFTER COMPOST	\$ 174,400
NET BENEFIT	\$ 119,200

Standard Compost (one hectare)

- Harvested 80 tonne
- 20% of carrots were sold on as A grade Organic carrots.
- 60% of carrots were sold to juicing plant
- 20% of carrots were disposed of

TOTAL REVENUE \$ 56,000

Total Cost Other Suppliers Compost \$ 800

GROSS REVENUE AFTER COMPOST \$ 55,200



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