

BRF BAG

EASY GUIDE

**GROWING
MADE
SIMPLE!!**



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3-STEP EASY GUIDE

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CLEAN & INJECT



Put on the included gloves. Wipe the injection port with the prep pads. Inject 1-2 mL into the port.

COLONISATION



Wait 4-8 weeks for the white mycelium to colonise the entire bag. Add elastic band around outside to reduce side pinning.

PINNING



Small mushrooms pins will begin to appear. These pills will develop into mushroom fruits.



TIP: CUT & TAPE CORNER



O₂/CO₂
Exchange

To encourage fruiting, cut the corner & tape or fold over. Spray 4-6 daily with water

ALTERNATIVE FRUITING METHOD

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PLACE CAKE IN TUB



Remove the cake out of the bag, soak in water over night, and place in fruiting chamber. Pour 2-3cm of perlite at the bottom to increase moisture/humidity

TIP: CUT & TAPE CORNER

Spray and fan 4-6 daily to encourage mushroom pinning



FAQ AND TIPS

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Why are my bags taking so long to grow?

Colonisation is a **SLOW** process.
Expect 4-8 weeks.

If no mycelium is growing after 6 weeks, your spores or liquid culture may have dried out or become dormant.



Why is my tub taking so long to grow?

You may not be maintaining the temperature & humidity conditions correctly.

- Tub is too dry → spray more.
- Tub humidity is too low → spray more.
- There is excess CO2 → fan more.



Why do I keep getting contam?

Contamination often occurs due to poor sterilisation technique during inoculation. We highly recommended using a still-air-box or laminar flow hood as it dramatically reduces the quantity of particulates in the air, and therefore contamination.

You can purchase a still air box from our website.

STERILE TIPS



- ❑ Inoculate in a low-breeze room
- ❑ Spray ALL surfaces with 70% Isopropyl alcohol
- ❑ Wear gloves & disinfect hands
- ❑ Flame your syringes
- ❑ Wipe injection port with alcohol wipes
- ❑ Be as quick and smooth as possible
- ❑ Use a Still-Air-Box or Laminar Flow Hood during inoculation



Do I have trich contamination?

Trichoderma is a vibrant blue-green mould. Make sure to not mistake trich for blue bruising.

Trich in grain bag = throw it out
Trich in fruiting tub = can be salvaged by cutting it out.

