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# Vermiculture = Worms



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# **Worm Bin Benches & the Worm Pit**

Compost Education  
Center,  
Victoria, BC





# Compost Tea





**Bokashi**







**Adding Bokashi to  
garden beds**



# Leaves for improving soil tilth





# BioChar

**Corn**



**Rice Hulls**

Photo Credit: Maya Mountain Research Farm, Toledo District, Belize



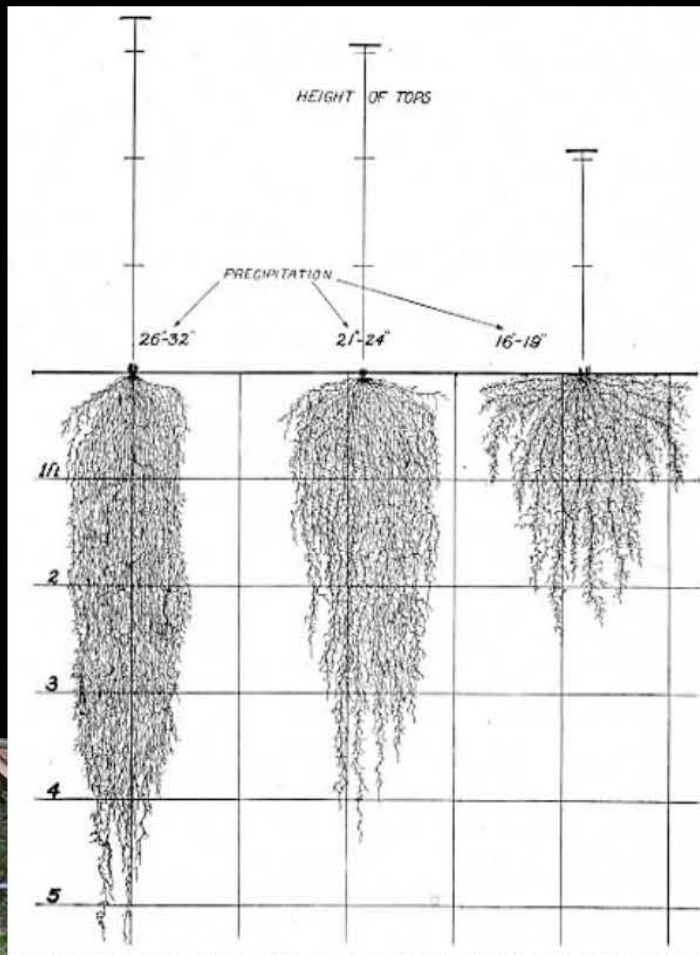
# Animal Manures

Manures are hot and full of nitrogen. Most manures will kill plants if applied directly to the garden.





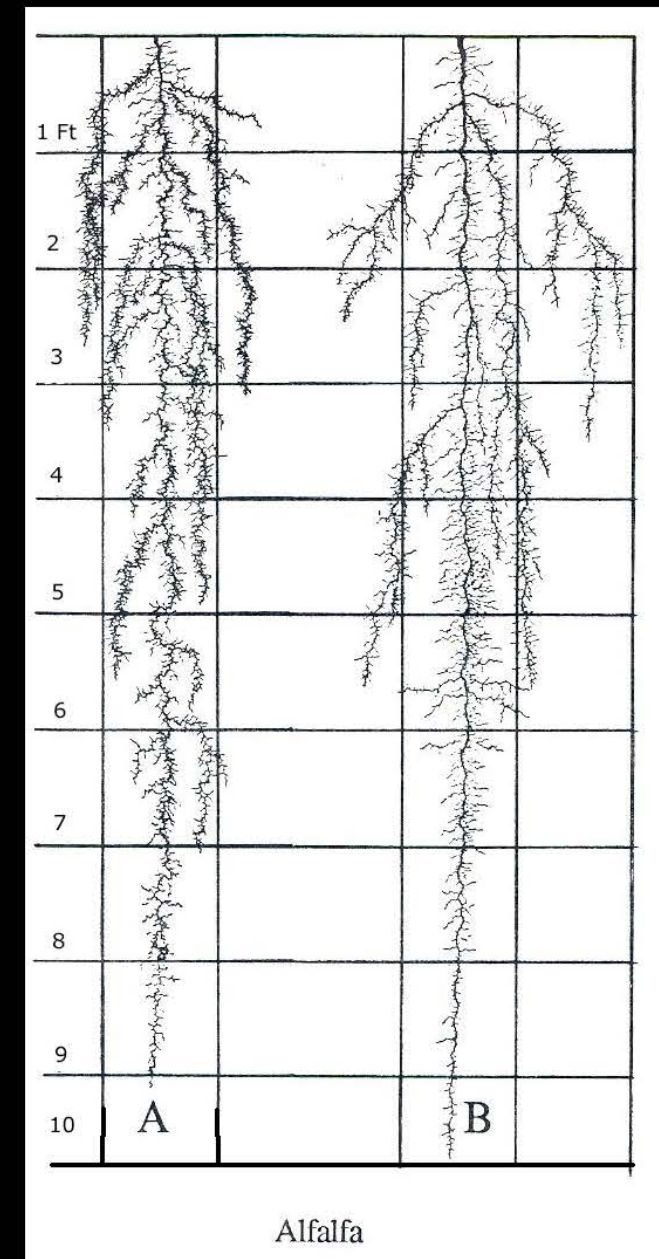
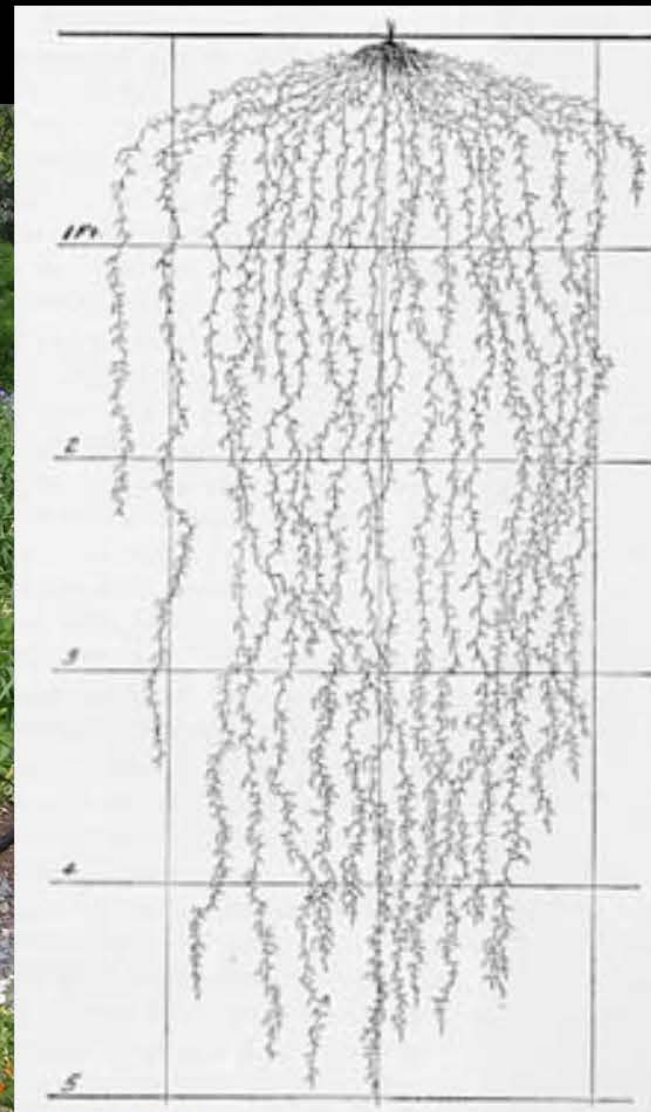
# Winter Wheat



# Cover Crops for Improving Soil Tilth & Green Manures

## Alfalfa

## Winter Rye







Fava Beans:  
good cover crop for  
nitrogen fixation,  
good tilth,  
and tasty too!







## Austrian Field Peas

*Other Nitrogen Fixing Cover Crops:*

- \* Red Clover
- \* Sweet Clover
- \* Crimson Clover
- \* Vetch



**Dynamic  
Accumulators -**  
provide nutrients & mulch,  
fleshy stalks, lots of  
biomass



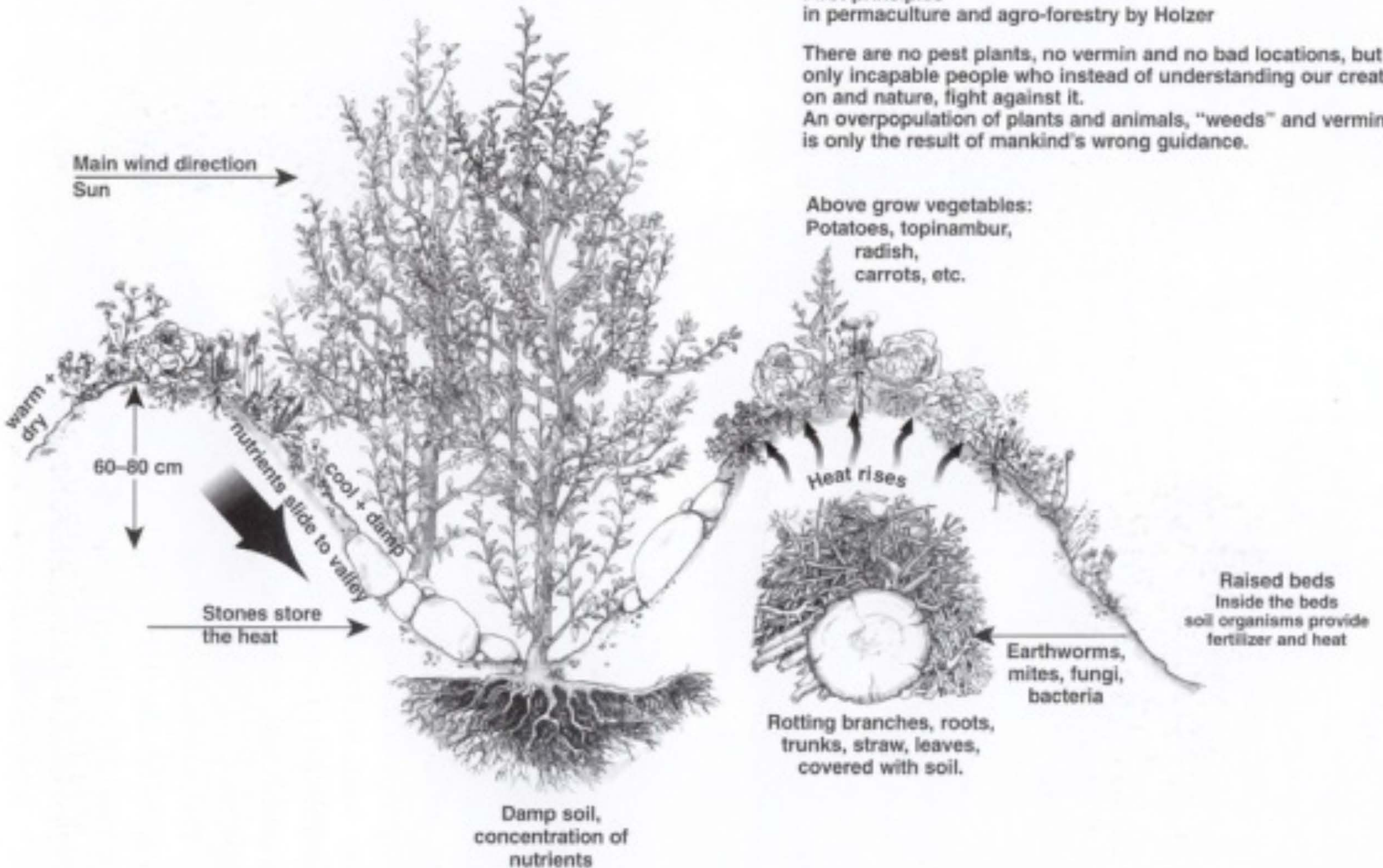


# Hugelkultur

## Holzer's methods of gardening and cultivation

First principles  
in permaculture and agro-forestry by Holzer

There are no pest plants, no vermin and no bad locations, but only incapable people who instead of understanding our creation and nature, fight against it.  
An overpopulation of plants and animals, "weeds" and vermin, is only the result of mankind's wrong guidance.







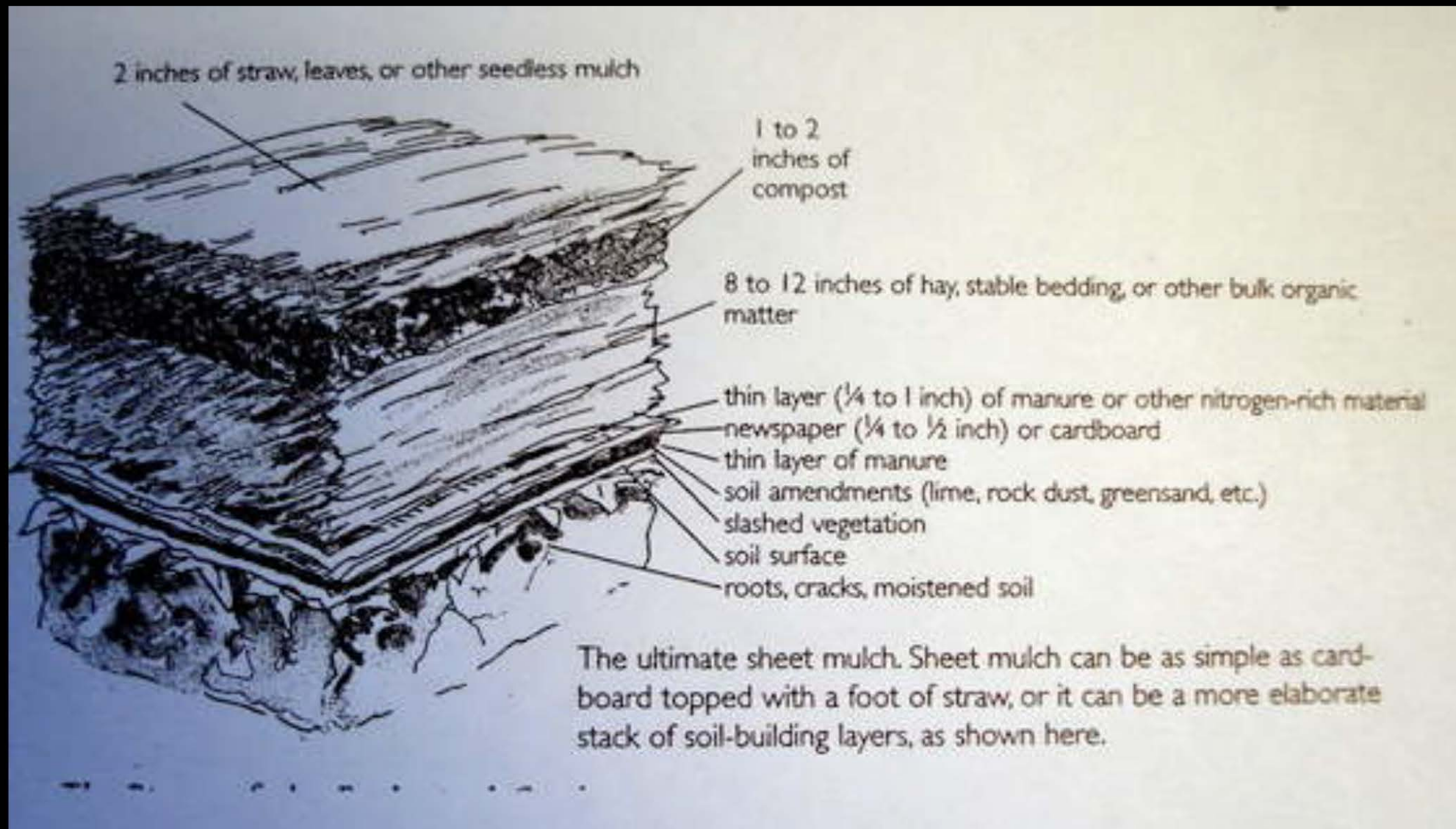


# Mulch: Happiness is Bulk Materials





# Sheet Mulch

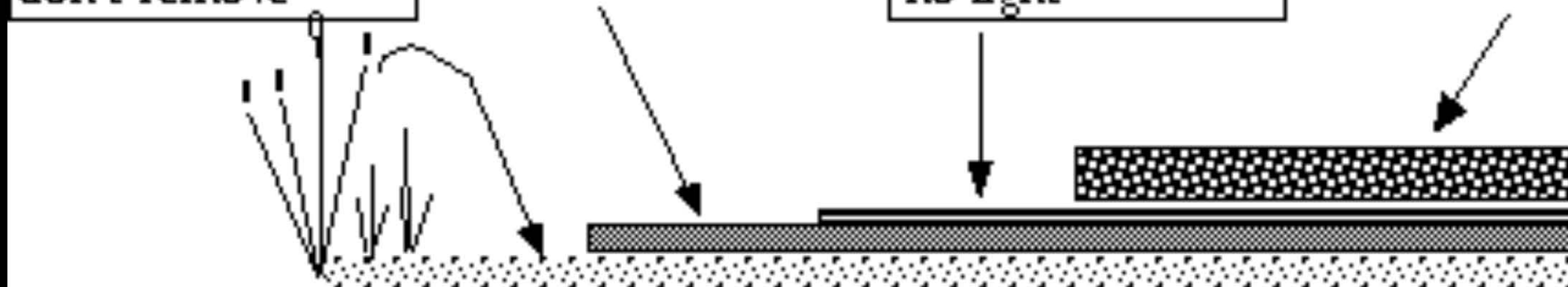


Weeds + grass  
Cut or rolled down  
don't remove

1) Concentrated  
compost, manures

2) Weed barrier  
well overlapped,  
no light

3 + 4) top mulch  
must be weed/seed free







Water Every Layer  
Ensure it is soaked



# Mycology



Two young trees,  
one grown with  
mycorrhizae,  
one without  
Mycorrhizae on  
plant roots





## **In Your Garden:**

- ~ Fungi convert nutrients into an available form for plants
- ~ Fungi enhances the water storage capacity
- ~ Mycelium repel saline water
- ~ Fungi counteract disease rot fungi







# Oyster Mushrooms





# King Stropharia Mushrooms









## ***My Next Workshop:***

Tuesday, April 11:

### ***Cole Crops, Greens & Soil Building***

*(part of the Grow Your Own Produce workshop series)*

People's Food Coop, Portland, OR

## ***Next Plant Sale:***

Saturday, April 14, 11 am – 3 pm

**Thank You!**

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