

EVALUATION SHEET

Project Details

Client	Southern Cross Hospital North Harbour
Project Name	Southern Cross, Wairau Valley
Evaluated by	Max Jaffe - Garden X Ltd
Site Conditions	Packed clay and no top soil
Other	
Rate & Method	1.5g/L
TerraCottem Product	TerraCottem Universal

Information about the use of TerraCottem



- 1. What issues did you have to deal with prior to using the TerraCottem® soil conditioning technology in the above applications?**
The planting bank was hard packed clay which originally was used to dispose of construction material and building waste. There was no topsoil present and the site is north facing and exposed to north easterlies winds.
- 2. What did you want to achieve by using the TerraCottem® product(s)?**
The customer wanted fast establishment in this difficult site with limited plant loss and to reduce maintenance and water costs.
- 3. What product benefits did you observe?**
Plants established quickly and growth has been very steady since the site was installed. There has been less maintenance and the cost of watering has been lowered. To date, a small number of replacement plants have been required however this is far less than we anticipated for this site considering the planting conditions.
- 4. Did you have a control plot (without TerraCottem®) in order to make a comparison?**
 Yes No
- 5. If not, can you make a comparison with a similar application (but without TerraCottem®) from a previous season where you didn't use TerraCottem®? If so, what are the differences?**
We did not have a control plot at this site, however other sites without TerraCottem that were installed at approximately the same time and have similar soil conditions, the shrubs and trees have not performed as well. We have invited other customers that are considering using TerraCottem to this site so that they can observe the difference TerraCottem makes in tough growing conditions.