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# **TECHNICAL DATA SHEET**

PRODUCT NAME: ULTRALITE SUBSTRATE

**DESCRIPTION:** Lightweight substrate made from secondary aggregates and green waste compost.

**APPLICATION:** General purpose green roof growing media for green roofs where weight is a concern.

Substrate for sedum mat

All kinds of extensive green roof, e.g. NBS Q37 Clause 390

Simple intensive green roofs, e.g. NBS Q37 Clause 380

Small domestic green roofs

# TECHNICAL INFORMATION (TYPICAL)

| Sieve Size (mm) | % Passing |  |
|-----------------|-----------|--|
| 13              | 96        |  |
| 5               | 40        |  |

pH value: 8.5

Total pore volume: 52 - 60% Soil Organic Matter (SOM): 6.0%

Maximum water holding capacity 43.4% vol.



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|                | Weight (kg)                      |                            |                                 |
|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Unit           | <b>Dry</b> Driest days in summer | FLL Maximum water capacity | Fully Saturated  Design maximum |
| m <sup>3</sup> | 490                              | 924                        | 1014                            |
| 1 sq m @ 100mm | 49                               | 92.4                       | 101.4                           |
| 1 sq m @ 25mm  | 12.3                             | 23.1                       | 25.35                           |

#### **PACKAGING**

Supplied by bulk tipper load, in multi trip 1 m³ big bags and 25kg sacks



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# The manufacturing process

The manufacture of aircrete blocks generates a percentage that do not meet the rigorous quality standards required for house building, for instance because of cracks or other damage and are scrapped. These cannot easily be reprocessed and they are set aside and crushed for use in other applications, e.g. as lightweight aggregates, including use as green roof growing media.

In this substrate the aircrete is blended with lightweight expanded clay aggregate.

# **Green Compost**

Where the growing media incorporates compost it is derived from a sustainable source, normally green waste compost to PAS 100, derived from horticultural wastes collected during municipal works, e.g. hedge trimming, etc.



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