



Use this table to help you identify your soil samples.

Soil type	Image	Description
Peat		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very dark colour • Mostly organic matter • Holds a lot of moisture
Clay		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slightly orange colour • Very fine particles • Sticky when wet • Holds a lot of water but water may run off it at first
Sandy		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Light, yellow/brown colour • Feels gritty • Falls through fingers • Does not hold water well
Silt		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medium colour • Feels slippery and smooth • Small particles • Holds some water
Loam		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dark/medium colour • Feels slightly gritty & smooth • Holds some water
Chalky		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Light colour • May have lumps of white stone in it • Does not hold water well



Mission Assignment: Explore different types of soil



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Fill in the table with your observations.

	Soil 1	Soil 2	Soil 3	Soil 4
Colour				
Texture				
Smell				
Other notes about its appearance				
Amount of water held (ml)				
Soil type				

