

Testimonial



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“Here at Merom Farms, we produce over 9 million pounds of sweet red bell peppers which get shipped to grocery stores across Canada and the United States. We were the first commercial greenhouse to use GrowZorb when we first installed it in 2013, and since then, we’ve seen the benefits in our crops.

“Using GrowZorb has made planting so much easier. The traditional coco slabs have to be prepped, but with GrowZorb, we can just plant and it’s on its way. That’s it!

“It takes no time at all to get these installed. The plants really seem to like it; they root much faster in GrowZorb than in traditional mediums. The slabs are so light compared to the coco that we’ve used in the past, and the workers here really prefer working with GrowZorb.

“Plus, there’s the environmental impact to consider. In the past, the water we used to prepare coco had to be considered ‘contaminated,’ and we had to dispose of it in designated waste facilities so it could be treated properly. Each coco slab takes at least 6 litres of water to fully expand before planting—multiply that by the 170,000 slabs we use, and all that contaminated water starts to add up pretty quickly. On the other hand, GrowZorb slabs don’t taint the water, so we’re able to reuse the captured runoff water right away.

“In terms of fruit, plants grown in GrowZorb produce healthy peppers that are on par with or even better than peppers grown in traditional coco. Picking and pruning with plants grown in GrowZorb is also much easier on workers—these plants require less pruning, for some reason. We’re not actually sure why, but the workers are really happy about it.

“We also get fewer pests, including spider mites on the plants grown in GrowZorb. Pests are unavoidable, but with GrowZorb, the plants are healthy enough to fight back. It’s gotten to the point where we hardly see any spider mites on these plants at all, unlike the crops we’ve grown in coco. We have noticed this phenomena every year!

“At the end of the season, removing the GrowZorb slabs is so easy because of how light it is. Each pack weighs merely a third of a coco slab! GrowZorb slabs don’t retain water like traditional slabs do, which makes them much easier to transport.

“Overall, GrowZorb is lighter, easier to work with, and better for the environment and our plants—it really saves us both time and money, and that’s why we’ve switched our entire operation to GrowZorb.”

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