## TRIBUS® ORIGINAL

#### ALL PURPOSE PLANT GROWTH PROMOTER

Tribus® Original is a highly concentrated blend of three growth–promoting rhizobacteria species. The bacteria within Tribus help mobilize, solubilize, and chelate macro and micronutrients in the rhizosphere region of the soil for greater plant availability. The result? Rapid plant growth, increased yields, robust root development, and more efficient water uptake. Tribus also increases plant tolerance to abiotic stressors like hypersalinity, extreme temperatures, deficient or excessive water, heavy metals, and more. In each milliliter of liquid, there are 10 billion colony–forming units of bacteria (CFUs).



The high concentration of bacteria allows for low application rates and low application frequencies without sacrificing performance. The unique combination of bacteria in Tribus work together as a team and for the plant like no other consortia of microbes. Of the 10 billion CFUs per milliliter, 4 billion are *Bacillus subtilis*, 4 billion are *Bacillus pumilus*, and 2 billion are *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens*. Tribus can be used with conventional and all other fertilizer programs from the seedling stage up to the day of harvest. It can be used in soil or soilless growing medias including hydroponic systems and rockwool. If it has roots, Tribus will help!

# PROVEN RESULTS

# +15%

increase dry yield

# +16%

in stem diameter <sup>1,3</sup>

# +14%

in growth

- <sup>1</sup> Compared to non-treated control plants
- <sup>2</sup> Measuring number of nodes w/ unfolded leaves
- <sup>3</sup> Measuring stem diameter @ first node above cotyledons using a digital caliper

# TRIBUS FEATURES &

## **BENEFITS**

- Active under a wide pH range (5.5 9.0) to increase nutrient availability and uptake in soil and hydroponic systems
- Biofilm formation on roots protects plant from biotic and physical stress and aids growth
- Enzyme production increases nutrient cycling and improves soil health and fertility by breaking down carbohydrates, proteins, and fats like those found in high-quality organic fertilizers
- Activates Induced Systemic Resistance (ISR) mechanisms in the plant, enhancing natural immunity and resistance to stress
- Siderophore production chelates iron and aids in manganese uptake
- Nitrogen fixing (N<sub>2</sub>-> NH<sub>3</sub>)
- Solubilizes phosphorus and potassium for greater plant availability
- Non-phytotoxic
- Higher CFU count than other products on the market means greater efficacy at a lower cost

# GUARANTEED ANALYSIS

Bacillus subtilis......4.0x10° CFU/mL
Bacillus pumilus.....4.0x10° CFU/mL
Bacillus amyloliquefaciens.....2.0x10° CFU/mL

**Total:** 10 Billion CFU/mL (1x10<sup>10</sup> CFU/mL)

CFU/mL = colony forming units per milliliter

# APPLICATION RATES

Field: 1L / Acre / Month

#### **Container Gardens:**

0.5mL - 1mL / Gallon nutrient solution

Can increase to 2mL/ Gallon during flowering phase and under intense growth conditions (e.g.,  ${\rm CO_2}$  injection, mid-flower phase, high light levels)



# WHAT'S INSIDE?

# Bacillus subtilis (4.0x10° CFU/mL)

- Solubilizes K
- Releases soil-bound macro and micro nutrients
  - Improves root growth
  - Produces siderophores that chelate micronutrients

#### Bacillus amyloliquefaciens (2.0x10° CFU/mL)

- Mobilizes P
- Promotes growth of roots + shoots
- Improves abiotic stress tolerance
  - Enhances Water Uptake

# Bacillus pumilus (4.0x10° CFU/mL)

- · Fixes N in deficient conditions
- Improves nutrient availability + uptake
  - Cycles nutrients
- Degrades organic material for plant uptake

#### TOGETHER:

- · Promote vigorous root growth;
- Naturally increase plant tolerance to abiotic stress;
- Encourage fast + prolonged nutrient mobilization;
  - · Restore soil health;
  - Increase plant yield

### **APPLICATION GUIDELINES**

- Tribus Original is recommended for use as a soil inoculant and can be applied viaoverhead irrigation, drip irrigation, hand watering, or other hydroponic systems
- Tribus Original can be applied throughout the growing season at all stages of the plantlifecycle, including the seedling and pre-harvest (flushing) stages
- · Mix well before use! Bacillus spores settle naturally in container
- Flush drip irrigation lines with clean water after injecting Tribus Original
- Can be mixed with tap or reverse osmosis (RO) water-Intended to be used as a plant growth promoting rhizobacteria (PGPR) inoculant
- Not intended to be used as or in place of chemical plant growth regulators (PGRs)

## **TANK MIXING**

• Tribus Original should be used within 24 - 48 hours of tank mixing with fertilizers or nutrient solutions for best results (applies mostly to growers using organic inputs - with conventional inputs can leave tank mixed).

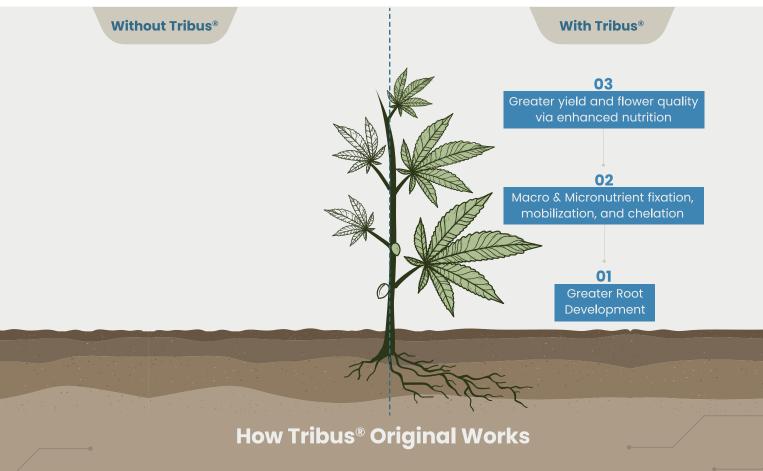
## **STORAGE CONDITIONS**

*Bacillus* spore liquids are stable for at least 18 months when stored in a cool, dry location in a closed container. Exposure to high humidity and temperature is not recommended.



### **ENZYMES AND THEIR FUNCTIONS**

- **Cellulase** Decomposition of cellulase (i.e., plant matter like dead roots and leaves) into glucose and other sugars boosts plant productivity.
- **Urease** Catalyses the hydrolysis of urea into CO2 and nitrate (NO3) which increases nutrient availability.
- **Xylanase** Degrades plant matter into useable nutrients. Found in numerous horticultural enzyme products.
- **Tannase** Degrades plant polyphenols into water and gallic acid, a phenolic/antioxidant compound that plants use to synthesize new compounds with functions like herbivore and pathogen defense, iron, copper, and zinc chelation, and inhibition of pathogenic microbes.
- **Amylase** Decomposition of complex carbohydrates into sugars across a wide pH range (4.0-7.0) boosts rhizosphere and plant productivity.
- **Protease** Protein decomposition, which is particularly important to maximize nutrient availability in organic fertilizer programs.
- **Lipase** Fat and oil decomposition, which is particularly important to maximize nutrient availability in organic fertilizer programs.



- 1. Apply Tribus at key stages of plant growth including during cloning and all the way through flowering to harvest.
- 2. The bacteria in Tribus produce organic acids and extracellular enzymes that fix, mobilize, and chelate macro and micronutrients.
- 3. Increased nutrient use efficiency results in greater root development, plant growth, and flower quality.