

STEP 1

Select 5 to 10 random plants from different areas.



Optimum soil temperature for Nitrogen fixation is between 15°C and 25°C.



Assessing

STEP 3

Soak the roots in water to remove soil and uncover the nodules.

STEP 4

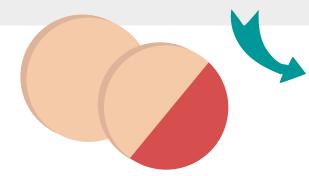
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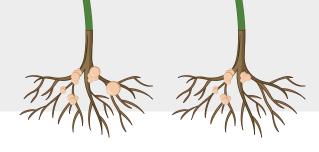
Count number of nodules per plant, the amount of nodules should be similar in all plants.

Gently dig out plants, being careful

to not disturb nodules that

may be present.





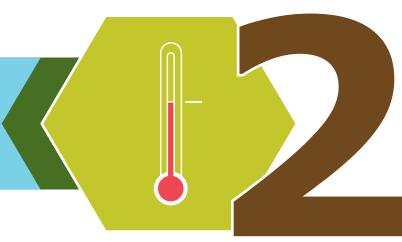
STEP 5

Cut nodules open to reveal their colour, a nice red/pink tone means they're healthy and functional!

NODULE STATE KNOW



Preferred pH level for Rhizobia is between 6 and 8 to allow for healthy nodulation.



Before flowering, there should be 8 to 20 large and active nodules per plant.



immature nodule white in colour



healthy nodule pink/red in colour



unhealthy nodule green/brown in colour