

## Making your Ground Bait 'active' by Rich Seeds

In most fishing situations you are looking to draw the fish's attention to the area you are fishing and your hook bait as much as you possibly can. Ground bait is one of the best attractors and stimulants you can use; this is due to the amount of ingredients and flavours you can pack into it.

After watching my ground bait break down, I noticed that, after a while, it appears that it doesn't seem to be doing much. I wanted to change this and keep it nice and 'active' so that I keep loads of flavours and particles moving around the area and hopefully draw fish in and down from the upper layers more effectively.

I decided to experiment and played around with grinding up 6mm floating trout pellets in a Korda Krusha. This creates lots of tiny floating pellet bits to which adding about half a kilo of weed beater mix to a standard 1kg mix worked very well.



I used blood powder as an added binder (1 good handful). This helps with releasing the floating particles more slowly, keeping it active longer. I have found that a dry mix really fizzes and will be good for runs waters and zig-rig fishing. If you make it wetter it takes up a more paste like consistency that releases particles and flavours for long periods.

It is just a case of playing round with the consistency until you have a breakdown time you are happy with.

Other great ingredients for this type of ground bait are crushed hemp and ground up Vitalin.



This type of ground bait really can bring some amazing results and is excellent for experimenting with and for customising to compliment your hookbait.

Good Luck

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