Magenta Mantle was initially introduced in response to the Oakland, California fire in 1991. Since then, this formula has been used in many places around the world for land and community-based regeneration.

Background image: field of Fireweed
**Magenta Mantle** is a synergistic chord of five magenta-colored flower essences. The color that we perceive as magenta is actually a spectrum of even more specific colors, all falling somewhere between fiery red and deep purple. Color is often imagined as a linear phenomena, with red on one end and purple on the other. But if we imagine color as a living circle, then we can come to recognize the role of magenta as an etheric bridge between the warm reds and cool purples.

Magenta is a color strongly associated with the living forces of nature. The etheric mantle of the earth and the life mantle of the healthy human body radiate this color, when viewed with etheric perception. Because it forms a bridge between red and violet, magenta has properties that are both cooling and warming. Magenta is a color that experiences the deep “fire” process of the earth, and then emerges phoeniX-like toward the spirit again. This is why Magenta is often regarded in color therapy as a “resurrection” color.

**Magenta Mantle** is intended to restore vitality and etheric regeneration following destruction and elemental disturbance to the land. It is especially correlated with devastation involving the fire element and related phenomena, such as destruction by bombs and firearms, modern combustion machinery or chemical burning and debilitation. The **Magenta Mantle** formula helps to re-establish the shattered bonds within physical-etheric life forces that knit together human community and the environment. It is primarily intended for broad-based land and plant restoration, while a related formula, **Magenta Self-Healer**, is designed for personal healing and rejuvenation in both human and animal populations.
Directions for Use

Small area application:

For treating plants, a misting bottle of any size can be prepared. Add three to four drops per ounce of fresh water. Rhythmically stir or gently shake for at least a minute until the preparation is fully enhanced. Spray at least twice daily around the periphery of the plants needing attention.

Broad-based application:

A spraying apparatus such as a back-pack sprayer is recommended for large areas of land application.

• Purchase a backpack sprayer that is dedicated only to vibrational applications. Most backpack sprayers are 4 gallon or 6 gallon size.

• Add water to a large bucket that is at least twice larger than the amount you’ll be putting into the sprayer unit (i.e., a 6 gallon sprayer requires a stirring container that is approximately 12 gallons large). Use fresh water that is as vital and clean as possible.

• For each gallon of water, add 5-6 droppersful of Magenta Mantle stock formula.

• Stir the gallons of water in the container. Stir alternately clockwise and counterclockwise, forming a deep vortex in each direction before breaking the spin.

• Stir at least five minutes. Stir longer if you include Biodynamic preparations (see below). Stirring helps to further potentize and “anchor” the remedy in the medium of water.

• Pour the mixture immediately into the backpack sprayer. Spray onto the earth as well as into the air. This medicine is meant to penetrate into the etheric space of the land so you do not need to saturate any one item. It is more important to cover the widest periphery that you intend to treat. This treatment is best applied at dusk or dawn when the vital forces of the earth are either ascending or descending. It is also beneficial to apply
Magenta Mantle just before rain or snowfall. A mood of inner silence and communion with the land and elemental forces while stirring and applying will enhance the intent of the medicine and connection to the elemental world.

*Magenta Mantle* should be applied on a rhythmic basis. For severe conditions, every seven days is an ideal rhythm. This formula can also be used according to Moon phases such as Full Moon and New Moon. The length of time depends on the severity of the healing situation. Many devastated land areas need at least one full year of treatments. When treating specific plants rather than a large land area, daily application in the early morning or at dusk is also very beneficial.

**Magenta Mantle with Biodynamic Preparation 500**

*Magenta Mantle* is very synergistic with Biodynamic Preparation 500 (BD 500) - also known as Cow Horn Preparation. This medicine, developed by Rudolf Steiner for Biodynamic Agriculture, is very restorative and regenerating for the soil, with many natural humectant properties. It is well known in its own right and is highly recommended for multilevel use in the farm and garden. When the Cow Horn Preparation is combined with *Magenta Mantle*, a healing formula with uniquely beneficial properties is created.

The two ingredients should be mixed as outlined above, with the proviso that when adding the BD 500 preparation, the stir time should always be one full hour. Please consult further directions that come with this medicine.

As an alternative to the BD 500 preparation, you can also apply Pfeiffer Field Spray or the Barrel Compost Spray. Each of these preparations is generally recommended as a 20 minute stir time.

To obtain any of the above Biodynamic preparations, as well as further information about Biodynamic Agriculture, please contact:

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Components of Magenta Mantle

**Fireweed *Epilobium angustifolium***

The Fireweed plant is a healer for the earth, growing up quickly after a devastating forest fire or—as evidenced in London during the Second World War—after man-made destruction. It is a plant that literally acts as a phoenix rising from the ashes to bring etheric regeneration.

**Red Clover *Trifolium pratense***

The “red” clover is actually a beautiful shade of magenta. It is well known on a herbal level for its purifying qualities, especially for the blood. From the point of view of agriculture, all clovers have marvelous benefits to the soil as “nitrogen fixers,” helping to incarnate the air element in the soil. The Red Clover flower essence is a grounding remedy that clears fear, panic, or mass hysteria, helping to bring embodiment and anchoring life force.

**Sweet Pea *Lathyrus latifolius***

Like the Red Clover, Sweet Pea is another nitrogen-fixing legume. This low-growing vine climbs and clings to fences and other plants. The wild Sweet Pea is actually an escaped garden plant, and yet it is never found far from human habitation. Sweet Pea essence builds an intriguing bridge between wild elemental forces and the human forces of cultivation and homebuilding. It is an important flower essence for restoring a sense of “place” on the earth, and the vital relationship between elemental forces in the land and awake human presence and commitment.
**Self-Heal *Prunella vulgaris***

Self-Heal works at the core of any healing process, awakening etheric life forces, and stimulating the healing process. It has tremendous regenerative and restorative qualities.

**Echinacea *Echinacea purpurea***

Herbal Echinacea is renowned as an immune-system enhancer. When devastated by shattering events, the Echinacea flower essence re-establishes individuality and identity. These qualities are restorative and regenerative for the human body and soul as well as the elemental individuality of the land.

**Sierra Primrose *Primula suffrutescens***

The Sierra Primrose grows at very high altitudes in the mountains, right next to virgin white snow that begins to melt in the warmth of the sun. This plant is the first one to receive the pure crystal snow as it turns to water. The flower is a radiant Magenta color with a sweet, captivating aroma. It speaks of the very essence of life force that we feel in spring when the flowing waters of life and the warm light of the sun become one sparkling interplay. The Sierra Primrose instills a very high vibration of vitality and luminosity to the whole of the Magenta Mantle formula, helping to transform and heal what is depleted and lifeless in the earth and surrounding environment.
**Lady’s Mantle *Alchemilla vulgaris***

This remarkable plant grows close to the earth, with rounded green leaves and unique, chartreuse-green flowers. It has powerful paramagnetic qualities, which attract and hold dew and rain. This is why the Latin name is *Alchemilla*; for the alchemists highly revered this plant and collected its dew for many healing medicines. Water is at the very basis of all life, and Lady’s Mantle plant helps to hold and attract moisture bearing forces, so that the green, verdant healing may return to damaged and depleted areas of the earth. While the other flowers in this formula are magenta colored, this unique green flowered plant forms the complementary polarity, anchoring the core foundation of Nature’s Mantle of Green so that the regenerative forces of other magenta flowers will be magnetically charged.

“I have had a California Bay (*Umbellularia californica*) in a 1-gallon pot on my balcony for longer than I care to admit. I cannot identify the ill-being it had, but the leaves were spotted, blackened, and shriveled. Because I wanted to see if it could be brought back to health from such an extremely poor condition, I brought it inside, gave it a light top-dressing of redwood compost, and started spritzing the leaf canopy with filtered water containing a few drops of essential oil of orange and some *Magenta Mantle*. I’ve done this for about a month and this morning—voila!—new green shoots. …

I am also very pleased with this essence, *Magenta Mantle*, as it gives me a way to talk about, in my restoration work, how we have, as industrialists and corporations, interjected concrete between the earth and what should be its mantle, a clothing of plants. Same with exotic “invasives” that choke off communication between the earth and its plants, and prevent water from reaching the roots of trees they surround. …Many, many thanks for imagining and creating *Magenta Mantle*. I feel quite sure it has a critical role to play in species survival.”

— K. Cook, San Rafael, CA
Fireweed
*Epilobium angustifolium*