Clay seed pellets help protect seeds from animals and retain moisture to help them sprout. Here’s how to make them.

What you’ll need . . .

» Herb or flower seeds
» ⅛ tsp. measuring spoon
» Powdered clay*
» Mixing bowl
» Spray bottle

* Powdered clay may be purchased online or in specialty stores. You may also simply dig some clay, dry it, and crush it into a powder.

1 Ensure the mixing bowl is clean and dry.

Place ⅛ tsp. of herb or flower seeds into the bowl. Herb seeds are edible, but flower seeds can be toxic. Don’t eat anything if you aren’t 100% sure it’s safe!

2 Spray the seeds with water once or twice.
4. Add ⅛ tsp. of clay powder.

Add the clay powder and mix the clay with your fingers. Add a little more water or clay if needed to form a pellet.

5. If you aren’t going to plant the seeds right away, you will need to dry them. Put the pellets into a plastic bag and leave the bag open wide. When you’re ready to plant the seeds, toss the pellets where you’d like them to grow.