

ORGANIC COTTON

In order to be certified by GOTS (Global Organic Textile Standard), cotton must be planted in a field that has ceased using chemicals and pesticides for **over 3 years**; fungicides are also not permitted to be sprayed on cotton seeds. During planting, no insecticides/herbicides/defoliant are allowed; and the field must be clearly separated from non-organic planting grounds.



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- A pure cotton T-shirt uses nearly 1/3 pound of pesticide, so it does significant harm to the farmer's health and the soil.
- A block of cotton field will be seriously acidified in 10 years time, and won't be able to grow any plants.
- Cotton fields emit 165 million tons of greenhouse gas every year.