



Baseball and Diamond Pro® Growing Internationally

Location:	The Beijing Olympics, Baseball World Cup in Panama, World Baseball Classic, Major, Minor, College, High School and Little League fields around the world
Materials:	Diamond Pro® Red Infield Conditioner, Diamond Pro Calcined Clay Professional, Diamond Pro Calcined Clay Drying Agent, Diamond Pro Professional Mound Clay, Diamond Pro Home Plate/Mound Clay, Diamond Pro Topdressing, Diamond Pro Athletic Field Marking Dust
Material Suppliers:	Diamond Pro Professional Vitrified Infield Conditioner with vitrified clay is manufactured in Streetman, TX.

Baseball is rapidly becoming an international sport and Diamond Pro® has stepped up to the plate to provide maintenance products and expertise to field managers around the globe. Diamond Pro products have been utilized at the Olympics and numerous international baseball competitions in Europe, Asia, Central and South America, as well as in the United States.

At the Beijing Olympics, **Diamond Pro Red Infield Conditioner** and **Calcined Clay Professional** and **Drying Agent** were on the field. The Red Infield Conditioner was chosen for its rich color and durability. Calcined Clay Professional was added to the mix to help hold moisture at the surface. With so many games being played in such a short time and for a coveted gold medal, this combination allowed the grounds crew to manage the moisture level, a critical element, in the infield skin.

In Panama, at the Baseball World Cup, grounds crew used **Diamond Pro Mound /Home Plate Clay**, **Calcined Clay Topdressing** and Drying Agent, and **Athletic Field Marking Dust**. Pitching mounds and batter's boxes were rebuilt prior to the tournament, and the calcined clay products were used for the infield skin to respond to frequent storms in the tropical environment. Athletic Field Marking Dust was chosen for its superior brightness and ease of application. Diamond Pro is also proud that the World Baseball Classic has been fielding our product line since its inception.

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In 2008, Diamond Pro and Major League Baseball began teaming up to sponsor educational clinics for field maintenance around the globe. Diamond Pro has been a presenting sponsor at clinics in Tirrenia, Italy; Rotterdam, Netherlands; and Boca Chica, Dominican Republic. In addition, Diamond Pro has sponsored clinics in Mexico, Taiwan and Venezuela. Attendees are taught by seasoned experts including Tom Burns, a former MLB head groundskeeper, and Rene Asprion, both of Diamond Pro, **Murray Cook** from MLB and **Trevor Vance**, Head Groundskeeper of the Kansas City Royals. Topics include turfgrass cultural practices, infield and pitching mound construction and maintenance, field layout and more. Murray Cook said, "We can definitely see the improvements in the fields and the increased knowledge base of the attendees. Our clinic plan is truly paying dividends towards developing better fields for players around the world."

From the minors to the majors, Little League and college or in between, here in the US or around the globe – Diamond Pro has the products and expertise to help you maintain a world-class field.
