

COMPOST PAIL

The Perfect Solution for Convenient Recycling of Kitchen Food Scraps

Use this Compost Pail to hold several days' worth of vegetable trimmings, tea bags and leaves, coffee grounds, herbs, egg shells or spent flowers until transferred to an outdoor compost bin.*

The Compost Pail contains two charcoal filters in the vented lid to ensure an odor-free environment for several days. Replace both filters every 4 – 6 months or sooner if you feel odors are not contained enough.

The Compost Pail may be cleaned in the dishwasher (remove filters first), or washed with hot, soapy water.

To replace the filters, remove the lid and turn it over, remove the square filter and then the round one. Replace each filter with a new one.

*NOTE: *Do not include any animal products (meat, fish, fats or dairy) in your compost bin. These items do not contribute to optimum compost and can attract animal pests to your yard. If your compost bin attracts flying insects, try excluding fruit items as well.*

A Little Information About Composting

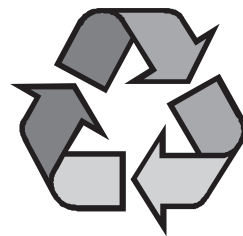
Composting is based on the process of decomposing organic materials. The most typical form of composting uses an outdoor compost bin, which can be constructed from wood and chicken wire, or store-bought and made of plastic.

Gardeners typically like to establish a “compost pile” where they toss yard waste (grass clippings, leaves, non-woody plant parts, soil) and kitchen scraps (such as items collected in the Compost Pail). Over time, these organic ingredients decompose. The end result is called *humus*.

Humus can be used as a nutritious top dressing or mulch for all plants, or added to the soil as an amendment when planting. Any way it is incorporated, humus greatly benefits plants due to its rich organic ingredients and ability to correct pH and water retention problems in soil.

So, composting is the *method* used to achieve humus, the nutrient-rich *end result*. You can hasten the composting process by having a balance of green and brown materials, a little moisture, warmth, and turning or mixing the materials regularly.

Gathering organic kitchen and yard waste ingredients makes for a nutritious humus your plants will thank you for by producing bountiful flowers, fruits and growth. Additionally, you can feel good about working with our ecosystem and not contributing to your community's waste and landfill. Good luck and enjoy composting!



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