

Make Soil, Not Waste

Backyard Composting

Food scraps that end up in landfills cannot be re-used to grow food.

Composting is an easy way to reduce your household's methane emissions.

Did you know? In 2022 a waste audit revealed that 31% of the waste being sent to the Lillooet Landfill was compostable.

How to collect organics?

- Pick a kitchen container and an outdoor composter that works for you and your family while considering wildlife.
- Backyard composting in bear country resources are available at slrd.bc.ca/makesoilnotwaste.
- Let's keep wildlife wild and communities safe; wildsafebc.com.

Examples of material to separate:

Packaging



*Recycle

Stickers



*Garbage

Elastics



*Re-use

Kitchen Catcher & Green Bin Tips

Line it



Line your countertop container with newspaper to prevent food from sticking to the bottom.

Wrap it



Use a piece of newspaper to cover your work area. When finished, wrap it all up and drop it in the bin.

Rinse it



Rinse your kitchen catcher and green bin every time you empty them. Let dry before using. Check if your container is dishwasher friendly! If smell persists, sprinkle baking soda.

What goes in, what stays out

Goes IN

Greens:

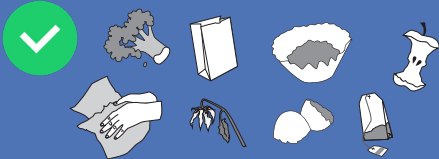
- Green plant trimmings
- Raw fruit and vegetable scraps
- Coffee grounds/tea bags
- Weeds that have not gone to seed

Browns:

- Dry fallen leaves
- Straw/cornstalks
- Torn newspaper
- Tissue and kraft paper
- Coffee filters

Other:

- Rinsed and crushed eggshells



Stays OUT

- Meat, fish, bones
- Cooked food, food leftovers, plate scrapings
- Dairy products
- Solidified fats and grease
- Packaging (recycle)
- Plastic or compostable plastics (garbage)
- Invasive species (bag and garbage)
- Manure with invasive species seeds
- Pet waste (garbage)
- Stickers (garbage)
- Diapers and baby wipes (garbage)
- Sanitary hygiene products (garbage)



Compostable plastics

Keep compostable and biodegradable plastics out of the compost bin, including PLA 7 products. They may not break down completely in a backyard composting environment.

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Keep nutrients in your local economy



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