

Composting **Do's** and **Don'ts**



DO: Acceptable Food Scraps For Your Bin

All food items are accepted.

- Coffee grounds and filters. No coffee pods.
- Fruits and vegetables (including peels, pits, and rinds). Remove stickers.
- Dairy products (including cheese and yogurt)
- Nuts and nut shells (except black walnut shells)
- Bread, tortillas, pasta, rice and cereals
- Eggs and eggshells
- Moldy or rotten food
- Meat and seafood (including bones, scales and shells)
- Beans and lentils
- Tea leaves (no tea bags)
- Corn cobs, corn husks and popcorn kernels
- Pastries, pies, dough and candy
- Herbs and spices
- Seeds (including bird seeds)
- Pet food

DON'T: Unacceptable Food Scraps For Your Bin

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ashes• Butcher paper, wax paper, parchment paper or muffin cups.• Cartons (including milk, wine, broth, and ice cream cartoons)• Charcoal• Chewing gum• Cigarettes• Cotton balls and swabs• Dead animals• Dental floss• Diapers• Drier lint or dryer sheets• Food packaging• Frozen food boxes• Gloves, balloons or similar products• Grease or oil• Hair and nail clippings• Medications and vitamins• Microwave popcorn bags• Pizza boxes• Paper or plastic products like plates, bowls, cups and to go containers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pet waste (including dog waste, kitty litter, cage bedding)• Plastic bags• Rubber or rubber bands• Polystyrene / Styrofoam TM• Recyclable items (boxes, cartoons, glass, metal, paper, and plastic)• Sharps• Shredded paper• Stickers on produce• Trash• Vacuum cleaner bags and contents or floor sweepings• Wax• Wipes (all kinds)• Wood or sawdust• Wrappers or containers (including takeout food containers)• Wrapping paper, tissue paper, packing paper, tape or receipts• Yard and garden waste (including grass, leaves and branches)
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