

top 5 COMPOSTING tips

Composting doesn't have to be a difficult task. **It's easy to do**, good for the **environment**, and **great for your garden**. Here are the best tips you can keep in mind for making sure your compost works to the best of its ability:

1 Layer

The secret to good composting is layering. When layering, always alternate carbon and nitrogen material layers.

The best nitrogen sources include grass clippings, manure, coffee grounds, tea bags, and wilted flowers. Alternate these with carbon sources, such as leaves, newspaper, cardboard, dried flowers, bread, and spices.

2 Shred

Take the time to shred your large items (cardboard, newspaper, et cetera). Small material breaks down much more quickly. It's worth the two minute effort to make a more efficient compost.

3 Seek out citrus

Have fruit flies? Bury citrus rinds (orange, grapefruit, tangerine, lemon, and so on) in the compost pile to minimize fruit flies. The scent turns them off, and you don't have to worry about the pesky bugs rearing their heads.

4 Turn baby turn

Turn the compost every two weeks to reactivate the processing. This is essential for the microorganisms, which need additional aeration to maintain efficiency. Add water to the dry areas to keep it moist and active.

5 What NOT to use

Avoid using fish, meat scraps, bones, dairy, a lot of fat, pet droppings, metal, plastic, glass, and seeds. This can attract rodents and animals, as well as reduce or eliminate the effectiveness of your compost.

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FACT:

Composting absorbs odors and treats both volatile and semi volatile organic compounds. It also stops heavy metals from entering waterways or being absorbed into plants by binding them.

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