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WORLD SOIL DAY

Composting is extremely beneficial to the health of your garden soil. It helps your soil retain moisture and provides nutrients for plant growth.



Black bag composting is an easy, inexpensive method and perfect for those with limited space.

STEPS TO CREATE YOUR COMPOST:

1. Grab two GLAD black refuse bags.



2. Place in one part of brown material (e.g. dead leaves, weeds, dried flowers, small twigs, wood chips, shredded paper, cardboard, newspaper).



3. Add one part of green material (e.g. fruit and vegetable waste, grass clippings, tea and coffee grounds).



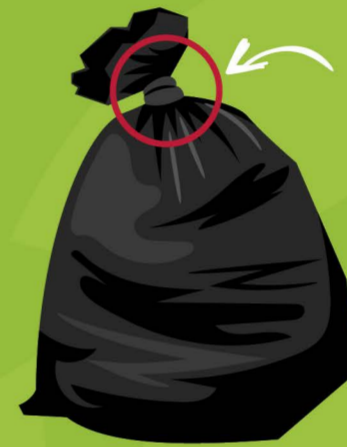
4. Add one part soil.



5. Place in enough water to dampen the mixture.



6. Tie off the bag making sure no air can enter and secure this bag in a second bag.



7. Place it in a sunny spot if possible.



8. Turn your bag once every two weeks to mix up the materials but don't add more material to your bag.



9. After 8 weeks, check your compost. You will know it is ready to use when it becomes dark, has no remnants of food or waste and smells like fresh compost you get at your nursery.



10. If your compost looks unfinished, let it sit a bit longer. It could take six months to a year to produce good, usable compost.



Remember, any kind of composting is a great way to recycle waste products and feed your plants!

Source: <https://www.plasticplace.com/blog/how-to-make-compost-in-a-garbage-bag>

