

WHAT TO TOSS IN THE BROWN BIN?



THE ACCEPTED MATERIALS **MUST BE PLACED IN BULK IN THE BROWN BIN**

All types of bags are refused in the bin, whether they are compostable, oxo-biodegradable or compostable

FOOD RESIDUES

<p>Tainted foods</p>	<p>Coffee grounds and filters, tea bags</p>	<p>All plant material (fruits, vegetables, leaves, pits, seeds and peels)</p>	<p>Grain products, breads and cereals</p>	<p>Eggs and shells</p>	<p>Pastas et rice</p>
<p>Vegetable oils and fats</p>	<p>Solid dairy products (cheese, cheese spreads and yogurt)</p>	<p>Leftovers</p>	<p>Desserts and sweet treats</p>	<p>COOKED meat, fish and seafood (including bones)</p>	<p>Pet food and biscuits</p>

GREEN WASTE

<p>Wood chips and sawdust</p>	<p>Yard trimmings and weeds</p>	<p>Plants, leaves and flowers</p>	<p>Coniferous needles</p>
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OTHER COMPOSTABLE MATERIAL

<p>Soiled newspaper, cardboard and paper (non-waxed)</p>	<p>Tissue paper, paper towel and paper napkins</p>	<p>Hair and nail clippings, feathers and animal fur</p>	<p>Cool wood ashes (cooled 2 weeks minimum)</p>
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USEFUL TIPS

- Wrap foods such as meat and fish in small quantities, with newspaper, and clean the countertop bin and brown bin regularly with soap
- If you notice maggots or any insects, sprinkle salt, baking soda or vinegar in your brown bin to eliminate them
- Store your bin in the shade if possible
- Put you bin out every collection day, regardless of how much is in it
- Freeze or refrigerate meat and poultry scraps until collection day
- To keep critters away from the brown bin, apply a menthol chest rub (©Vicks) around the lid and air holes
- Line the bottom of the brown bin with newspaper or cardboard to absorb any liquids and prevent the materials from getting stuck in the bin in winter
- In the brown bin, alternate your table scraps with dry materials (paper towels, newspaper, shavings, wood chips, dead leaves, etc.)

⊗ DON'T PUT IT IN YOUR BROWN BIN ⊗

- Corks
- Branches
- Animal feces and litter
- Chewing gum
- Liquids (not recommended)
- Construction and renovation materials
- Recyclable materials (clean paper and cardboard, metal, glass and plastic)
- Medication
- Cigarettes butts
- Invasive foreign plants or allergens (Japanese knotweed, purple loosestrife, phragmites, ragweeds, poison ivy)
- Personal hygiene products (dental floss, ear swabs, make-up removal swabs, baby wipes, cotton balls, etc.)
- Hazardous household waste
- Rocks, sand, gravel, earth
- Vacuum bags and contents, dryer lint, dryer static sheets
- Biodegradables bags, paper bags with wax or plastic lining (all bags are prohibited)
- Diapers and feminine hygiene products (tampons and pads)
- Textiles
- All plastic material even labelled biodegradable or compostable
- RAW meat, fish and sea food
- Batteries and biomedical waste