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Get composting today...

for a greener tomorrow

Composting at home is the greenest, most natural way to deal with your garden and food waste. It just takes a few quick and easy steps to get started and create your own supply of natural food for your garden.

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Home composting is an obvious place to start if you want to take easy steps to be greener in the garden. All you need is a compost bin or a small space in the garden to create a heap, provide the right ingredients and let nature do the rest.

For composting to work properly, your bin needs both air and moisture. Air is essential to the composting process and by mixing the material, as you fill your bin, it will create air pockets and help keep your compost healthy. A 50/50 mix of greens and browns is the perfect recipe for good compost:

'Greens'

- Salad leaves and fruit scraps, vegetable peelings
- Tea bags and coffee grounds
- Old flowers and nettles
- Grass cuttings

'Browns'

- Wood chippings, twigs, straw, dried leaves
- Vacuum bag contents
- Shredded or crunched-up paper, cereal and egg boxes
- This leaflet!



After 9-12 months use it to feed the lawn, enrich borders, maintain vegetable patches and flower beds.

For more information on the compost bins available, starting from only £14.00, call 0844 571 4444 or visit www.surreywastepartnership.org.uk. You'll also find lots of other helpful tips and information there too.