

Your guide to Food Organics Garden Organics



FOOD ORGANICS GARDEN ORGANICS

Recycling food and garden
waste into compost

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How to get started and use your FOGO kitchen caddy

1 Line your kitchen caddy with one of the certified compostable liners provided

Carefully open the liner and place it into your kitchen caddy, roll the liner over the top and close the lid.



2 Keep your caddy close by when preparing food and cleaning up

It's best to keep your kitchen caddy handy as you prepare food and clean up after meals so that you can easily place food scraps into your caddy. This could be on your kitchen bench or in a kitchen cupboard or drawer.



3 Collect and store your food waste in your caddy

Place food scraps into your caddy as you prepare food and clean up after meals.



4 Empty your caddy into your green lid FOGO bin

When your caddy is full, tie your compostable liner and carry it out to place it in your FOGO bin.



5 Place your green lid FOGO bin out for collection weekly

Remember to put your green lid FOGO bin out the night before your collection day and return to your property by the end of your collection day.



Don't have a FOGO kitchen caddy?

That's fine, you can use any container to collect your food waste and carry it out to your FOGO bin.

To line your container, you can use newspaper or paper towel or keep the food scraps loose in the container and tip directly into your FOGO bin.

Just remember not to place any plastic or biodegradable products into your FOGO bin.

What goes in your green lid FOGO bin?

*If you can eat it or it grew in the ground,
it can go in your green lid FOGO bin.*



Yes, these items can go in your FOGO bin



Fruit and vegetables



Meat and bones



Eggs and dairy



Seafood



Loose tea leaves
and coffee grounds



Tissues, paper towel
and shredded paper



Bread, pasta, rice
and cereal



Food scraps and
leftovers



Compostable bags
Must be lime green and
labelled AS 4736



Plants and weeds



Grass clippings



Garden pruning,
leaves and flowers

No, these items can't go in your FOGO bin



Tea bags



Plastic and
biodegradable bags
Gardening items, plastic
pots, garden hoses and tools



Clam and oyster
shells



Liquids, fats,
greases and oils



Soil, rocks or
concrete



Vacuum dust



Plastic, glass and
metal



Animal waste
including kitty litter



Nappies, hygiene
products, baby wipes
and makeup wipes



Treated or painted
timber and building
materials



Food packaging, rubber
bands, cling wrap, foil,
polystyrene and fruit and
vegetable stickers

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FOGO tips and tricks



Keeping your FOGO bins clean and fresh:

Use compostable liners, newspaper or paper towel to line your kitchen caddy



Rinse your caddy out regularly or place in the dishwasher



Wrap up food waste like prawn shells, seafood and uncooked meat scraps, then store them in the freezer until closer to your collection day



Sprinkle some bicarb soda in your bin to neutralise smells

Try alternating layers of food waste with garden waste, like lawn clippings or dry leaves in your bin

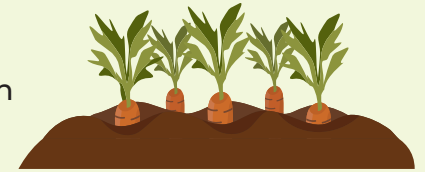
Store your bins in a shady, flat and well-ventilated area

Rinse your green lid FOGO bin occasionally, and always keep the lid closed



Things to remember

If you can eat it or it grew in the ground, it can go in your FOGO bin



You can place food scraps directly into your green lid FOGO bin without using a liner

Remove all stickers from fruit and vegetable skins before placing in your caddy or bin



Tea bags can't go in your FOGO bin

What happens to your food and garden waste?

Once your food and garden waste is collected it will be sent to Bio Gro, an organics facility, where it will be turned into high-grade compost.

The compost created will then be used in gardens and farms across Victoria.



1

Put your FOGO bin out for collection each week



2

Your FOGO bin will be collected weekly



3

Your food and garden waste will be taken to Bio Gro's organics facility in Dandenong South

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It will take approximately six weeks for food and garden waste to be processed into usable compost



5

Compost will then be used in gardens and farms across Victoria



Frequently Asked Questions

What if I'm already composting at home?

That's great, keep it up! FOGO can complement your home composting. You can place certain items into your FOGO bin that some home composting systems can't accept such as cooked foods, meat, bones, dairy and citrus.

Why can't tea bags go in my FOGO bin?

Unfortunately, tea bags won't break down in the composting process as some tea bags are made from plastic which cannot be composted. Items like staples and labels will also not break down.

Tea leaves can go in your FOGO bin, you can cut the tea bag open and place the loose tea leaves into your FOGO bin and place the bag into your garbage bin.

What are the compostable liners made of?

Our compostable liners are Australian certified, made from vegetable material and are completely plastic free.

These liners completely break down in the composting process. Only lime green compostable liners with the certified symbol shown are able to be placed into your FOGO bin.



Where can I get more compostable liners?

A roll of 150 compostable liners (approximately one year's supply) will be available to Manningham households each year. Starting from May 2024, these will be free to collect from our Manningham Civic Centre or Council Depot.

You can also purchase certified compostable liners from major supermarkets. It's important to remember that only lime green compostable liners with the certified symbol are able to be placed into your FOGO bin.

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Manningham Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people as the Traditional Owners of the land and waterways now known as Manningham.

Council pays respect to Elders past, present and emerging, and values the ongoing contribution to enrich and appreciate the cultural heritage of Manningham.

Council acknowledges and respects Australia's First Peoples as Traditional Owners of lands and waterways across Country, and encourages reconciliation between all.

Manningham Council also values the contribution made to Manningham over the years by people of diverse backgrounds and cultures.

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