Which composting system is right for you?

Composting is a simple, natural process that breaks down organic matter into a crumbly dark brown material that you can use on the garden. Compost improves soil, assists plant growth, reduces water runoff, and saves you money on buying soil improvers and fertilisers. There are different systems available for different needs. Read on to find out what composting system is right for you.



Compost Bin

Suitable for those who have an outdoor garden and want compost for their plants. Needs a good balance of carbon (shredded paper, dry garden organics) nitrogen (food scraps, green garden organics), aeration and moisture to perform efficiently. Available in either stationary or tumbler systems. Stationary systems require contact with the soil and allow worms to come up from the ground to aid the composting process. A tumbler system is a great option for people with limited space or those looking for an ergonomic option that limits bending and lifting, though it requires regular manual turning. Both bin types are eligible under the compost bin rebate.

Bokashi Bin

Suitable for those who have a small space with little to no garden or outdoor space. Designed to be used in your kitchen, Bokashi is a compact system that breaks all food and garden organics down quickly with the aid of bran with microorganisms, producing small amounts of Bokashi juice and compost. Requires a place to put the Bokashi juice and compost e.g. digging a hole, putting in pot plants or via ShareWaste. For more information on bokashi bins visit the <u>bokashi website</u>. Bokashi bins are eligible under the compost bin rebate







EnsoPet Pet Waste Composter

Suitable for those who have pets, have an outdoor garden and want to return nutrients to the soil. Suitable for composting pet poo only. This is not suitable to apply on edible gardens. The alternative for disposing pet poo is in the FOGO (Food Organics, Garden Organics) bin. For more information visit the <u>bokashi website</u>. Pet Waste Composter systems are eligible under the compost bin rebate.

Worm Café

Suitable for those who want a pet, want both worm castings and liquid fertiliser for their garden, and have a shaded place either outdoors or indoors to keep them. Certain things are not suitable, such as meat scraps and bones, dairy, citrus, onions and garlic. Worm Café Kits are eligible under the Worm Café Subsidy when you attend a worm farming workshop.





ShareWaste

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Would you really like to be composting at home but don't have the space or you're unable to? Consider ShareWaste, a platform that connects local people with food scraps to local people who compost! Compatible with Bokashi Bin systems.

