WHAT COMPOST BIN IS BEST FOR ME?
COMPOSTING METHODS

CONTINUOUS
Food scraps and yard waste are continuously added to the pile. Harvest can take from 8 months to 1 year.

BATCH
Food scraps and yard waste are added until bin is full. Quickest method; harvest can take 4 to 6 months.
DO YOU LIVE
IN A SMALL HOME WITH LIMITED SPACE?
Best Bin: Enclosed Stationary Bin

WITH 4+ PEOPLE IN A HOME?
Best Bin: Tumbler

IN AN APARTMENT?
Best Bin: Worm Bin OR Bokashi Fermentation
Enclosed Stationary Bin

**BENEFITS**
Great for limited space, helps deter animals

**TYPE OF PROCESS**
Continuous or Batch

**ADDITIONAL INFO**
Manual aeration needed, Slower composting rate
Tumbler

**BENEFITS**
- Easy to aerate, low maintenance, great for large family settings
- Helps deter animals, dual bin compartments

**ADDITIONAL INFO**
- More expensive than stationary bins

**TYPE OF PROCESS**
- Continuous or Batch
Worm Bin

BENEFITS
Great for limited space; easy to store bin under the sink; ideal for 1-2 individuals in a household; great learning tool for classrooms

TYPE OF PROCESS
Continuous

ADDITIONAL INFO
Worms need consistent temperature of 40-80 F
Bokashi Fermentation

**BENEFITS**
Allows you to store your “greens” for up to 6 months; Compost meat, dairy, citrus, and more, with no odor!

**TYPE OF PROCESS**
Batch

**ADDITIONAL INFO**
Learn more about Bokashi: A Storage Composting Method
DID YOU KNOW?

LOW-COST COMPOST BINS ARE AVAILABLE IN MOST COMMUNITIES!

SEARCH COMPOSTING BIN REBATES ON WASTEFREESD TO SEE WHAT OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE TO YOU
GET COMPOSTING SUPPLIES

Supplies are available locally at The Solana Center for Environmental Involvement.

Worm bins, aerators, bokashi kits & bran, coir, kitchen scarp pails, rain barrels, red wriggler worms, and more!
ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

COMPOSTING 101
WASTE FREE SD

COMPOST IT YOURSELF (CIY)
SOLANA CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL INNOVATION

COMPOSTING
SAN DIEGO COUNTY, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

WHY COMPOST?
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