

# COMPOSTING

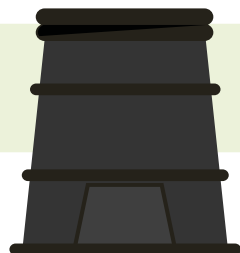
## LET'S GET DOWN TO EARTH

Home composting is the cheapest and most environmentally-friendly way to deal with your garden waste.

### GET STARTED WITH HOME COMPOSTING

You can buy a subsidised 220 litre black compost bin made from 100% recycled plastic for just £10 in 2021.

You'll also have access to a free e-learning course to help you make the most of your home composter.



To buy a subsidised compost bin go to [www.n-somerset.gov.uk/composting](http://www.n-somerset.gov.uk/composting) or call **01934 888 888**

You are also invited to attend an introduction to home composting with an expert from Garden Organic.

The free talk, via Zoom, will cover:

- getting started
- getting the right balance
- common composting questions

To book your place email:

**wasteman@n-somerset.gov.uk**

include: your name, postcode and which of the two sessions (right) you'd like to attend.

Dates and times:

- Wednesday 24 March 1-2pm
- Thursday 1 April 7.30-8.30pm

Spaces on the sessions are limited. If there is high demand we will add extra dates.

# COMPOSTING TOP TIPS:

- get the right balance of material. Aim for a 50/50 mix of green and brown material
- turn your compost regularly to aerate it
- be patient, it can take a year to turn your garden waste into good compost



# WHAT CAN YOU PUT IN A COMPOST BIN?

## Greens:

- fruit and veg
- tea bags
- coffee grounds
- grass
- plants, flowers and weeds

## Browns:

- hedge trimmings
- twigs and leaves
- egg shells
- hay and straw
- paper and cardboard

# WHAT DO YOU DO WITH THE COMPOST?

Composting produces a nutrient rich soil improver you can then use for your plants. Use as a mulch around plants as it holds moisture well or put on flowerbeds and borders to add nutrients and improve soil structure.

