



Pet waste composting is more convenient than picking it up and trashing it.



Composte is made when microbes digest and break down organic waste.

Benefits of Composting

- 🐾 Removes raw waste from the environment that pollutes streams and lakes
- 🐾 Helps provide biological control of flies and other pests
- 🐾 On-site composting frees up valuable landfill space
- 🐾 Recycles nutrients into the soil and supports soil organisms
- 🐾 Makes yard safer by containing and destroying waste-borne pathogens
- 🐾 Adds convenience to picking up pet waste in the yard

Composting can significantly reduce pathogens in your yard and in stormwater runoff that drains to local creeks.



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A DIY at-home solution to pet waste in the yard

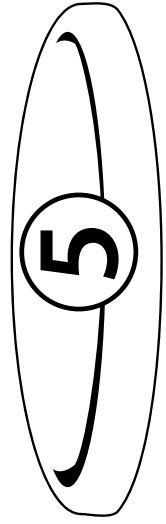


Compost your pet's waste

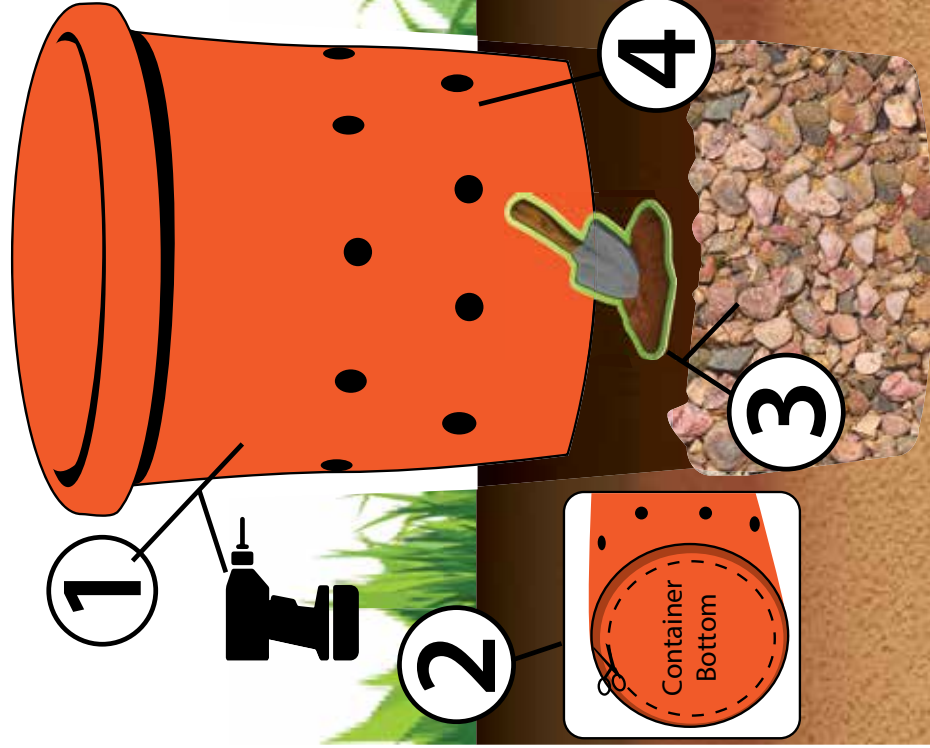


To go through a composting process, organic waste requires the right level of heat, water and oxygen. In a pile of organic waste, there are millions of tiny microbes that consume the waste, transforming the organic materials into compost.

In order to claim that a product is fully compostable, the product has to meet all the requirements in the U.S. Standard ASTM D6400. These specifications require that biodegradable/compostable products completely decompose in a composting setting in a specific time frame, leaving no harmful residues behind.



DIY Pet Waste Composter



1. Select container based on number of animals and pet size. Drill a dozen or so holes in the sides all around the container, no more than 2/3 of the way up, to prevent odor issues.
2. Cut into the bottom of the container 1" from the rim. This will maintain the structural integrity of the container.
3. Dig a hole in a rarely used area of the yard. Possibly in a far corner.
WARNING: pet waste compost should NOT be applied to gardens. DO NOT place compost in gardens.
4. Place some rocks or gravel in the hole for drainage 10" below the container. Position the container so it's a little above ground level.
5. Place the lid on top.
6. Start scooping.

Within 48 hours, the spetic-tank starter (which is non-caustic and promotes natural bacterial growth) will have begun it's work. There will be no smell if the pet waste compost is installed correctly. You can then begin to add to it daily. This waste biodegrades and flows into the subsoil.

Prefabricated pet waste composter options can be found online for purchase as well.