

# COMPOST GUIDE

COMPOSTING IN DC MADE EASY!



## WHAT IS COMPOST

Compost is a **nutrient-rich** matter that can fertilize soil. It is the product of a **natural decomposition** process of organic material, like fruit + vegetable scraps.

## WHY COMPOST

Composting your organic materials **reduces your food waste**, reduces greenhouse gas contributions, & **recycles essential nutrients** of the Earth.

fruit + vegetable scraps  
coffee grounds  
egg shells  
bread + grains  
select paper products  
\*can vary by collection\*

## WHAT CAN BE COMPOSTED



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HOW & WHERE IN WASHINGTON D.C.



## COMPOST DROP-OFFS

- GWCompost
  - Weekly drop-off at GWU; email [sustaingw@gwu.edu](mailto:sustaingw@gwu.edu) for more info
- DC Food Waste Drop-off at various farmers' markets
  - [dpw.dc.gov/foodwaste\\_dropoff](http://dpw.dc.gov/foodwaste_dropoff)

## COLLECTION & DIY

- Compost Pickup Services
  - [compostcab.com](http://compostcab.com)
  - [compostcrew.com](http://compostcrew.com)
  - [veterancompost.com](http://veterancompost.com)
- At-home Guide
  - [zerowaste.dc.gov/home\\_composting](http://zerowaste.dc.gov/home_composting)
- Grocery Stores
  - MOM's Organic Market
  - Whole Foods

- Freezer
  - Will reduce decay & smell
- Bucket with lid
- Composter Bin with filter
  - available to buy online

## HOW TO STORE COMPOST

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