

Types of Compost Bins

Build your own...



The simplest compost bin is the wire bin, which can be made of chicken wire or heavier galvanized wire. To make a wire bin, simply measure a section of wire to meet the size of container you want. Wrap the wire around to make a cylinder and fasten with twist ties or cut the wire so that the ends can be attached. If you want to anchor the bin, staple the wire to wood poles or hook the wire onto metal poles made for this type of wire. You can turn your compost

by either lifting up the entire bin or unhooking the ends to open up one end of the bin. Another simple compost bin is made of plastic sheets that can be made into a cylinder (see photo).

How to make a garbage can bin:



Materials: Plastic or galvanized garbage can with lid, any size

Tools: Drill, ½ inch bit

Instructions: Drill about twelve (12) half inch holes randomly in the garbage can. This is for drainage. This is a very inexpensive and simple bin to make. It also has the advantage of being pest resistant. Materials can be mixed by securing the lid and rolling the can.

Three Bin System:



The Three Bin System can be made easily and inexpensively by using wooden pallets. Other materials such as concrete blocks can also be used.