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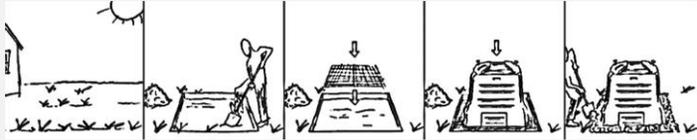




Backyard basics

Manage food scraps & yard waste at home

Composting: Cover 1 part food scraps ("greens") with 3 parts dried yard waste ("browns") to produce rich compost for your garden. Purchase a bin or build your own.



Line ground with ¼" wire mesh to keep critters out.

Solar Digester: Solar digesters like the *Green Cone* nourish nearby plants and break down food scraps, even meat and bones. Compost yard waste separately.

Feed your chickens: The gals love food scraps. Compost the scraps they don't eat.

Vermicompost: Let worms do the work. Bins are small enough (and clean enough!) to keep in the kitchen.

Look for bins or DIY plans at garden stores or your local waste management entity (find at 802recycles.com).



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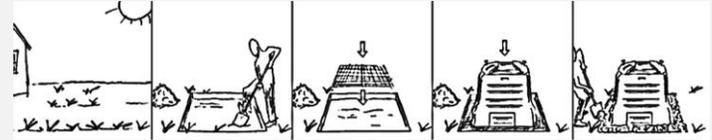
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