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INSTRUCTIONS

GEOBIN™

Congratulations and thank you for purchasing Geosystems® GEOBIN™, one of the easiest composting systems to set up and use. Since you're reading this, you've already made the decision to do the right thing by composting, and we want to support this great decision by giving you some reasons to share with your friends and neighbors. If asked, you can tell them that composting saves money by not having to buy leaf bags and expensive composting materials to grow those world-class plants, flowers and vegetables! Your compost, and more importantly you, will be doing your part to keep materials out of our landfills that have no need to be there. And, if you want to do even more, the Geosystems® GEOBIN™ is an inexpensive way to set up a three turning unit system and really become a composting pro.

More information is available at your public library and on the internet.

If you have any comments or questions please contact us at 800-535-7636 or through our website at www.geosystemsonline.com.

PLACEMENT OF YOUR GEOBIN™

Place your GEOBIN™ on level ground that is exposed to plenty of sun and moisture. Moist is good, too wet isn't. Sun is good, baking isn't. You always want a nice amount of moisture and air (*which is why we have the unique GEOBIN™ perforation pattern around the whole unit from top to bottom*).

SETTING UP YOUR GEOBIN™

1. Open your GEOBIN™ and expand it to your desired diameter (*between three feet and three and one-half feet is best, but it can go to four*). Be sure to maintain at least four inches of overlap on the GEOBIN™.
2. Place a washer over a bolt and insert the bolt into overlapped holes on the GEOBIN™. Push the bolt through the overlapping holes until the washer sits tight against the outside wall of the GEOBIN™.
3. Place a second washer and a nut on the bolt. Tighten the nut with your fingers until the washer sits tight against the inside wall on the GEOBIN™.
4. Repeat with remaining bolts, washers and nuts making sure to vertically align the holes in your GEOBIN™ so it stands straight and tall.
5. Your GEOBIN™ is now ready to use.

See reverse side
for additional
information.

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WHAT TO COMPOST

- Kitchen scraps such as vegetables, egg shells, fruit peelings (*but no meats, bones, fats, or cheeses*)
- Garden and yard materials such as grass clippings, leaves, annual plants, vegetables
- Wood ashes
- Manure from plant-eating animals only. NOT from household pets
- Plants with disease or insect problems during summer months only

WHAT NOT TO COMPOST

- Bones
- Meat scraps
- Branches or twigs

HOW TO COMPOST

- Alternate layers of organic waste
- Keep moist (*not WET, but MOIST*)
- Turn every 4 to 6 weeks for proper aeration
- Keep moist like a squeezed-out sponge
- Add thin layers of soil to improve the process

WHEN THE COMPOST IS READY

- Compost is a dark color
- Smells earthy and rich
- Usually takes about 2 months

IMPROVING YOUR COMPOST

- Compost has an "off" odor
 - Add coarse, brown materials to absorb moisture
 - Turn pile to aerate
 - Keep moisture the same as a squeezed-out sponge
- Compost has an ammonia smell
 - Caused by too many grass clippings (*nitrogen*)
 - Add carbon rich materials such as leaves, straw, or shredded paper
- Compost is damp and sweet smelling, but is not heating up
 - Caused by lack of nitrogen materials
 - Add grass clippings, fresh manure, or high nitrogen fertilizers
- Compost is dry on the outside but warm and moist on the inside
 - Compost pile could be too small
 - Add more material
 - Turn the pile
 - If the center is dry, add moisture while turning

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