



## **Compost Bin Add On Assembly Instructions**

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## **Kit List**

### ***500L Compost Bin***

- 2 x PVC Posts @ 760mm High
- 15 x Tongue and Groove Twin Wall Board 800mm long
- 2 x Green Post Cap Finishers
- 3 x Top Brace Support Bars
- 2 Galvanised Steel Ground Spikes

### ***Tools Required***

- Hammer

### ***Recommended***

- Plastic PVC Glue (Not Supplied) – Superglue, Mitrebond, Solvent Cement

**NOTE:** Post caps are to be glued on and left to fully bond after the compost bin has been fully assembled.

## **Compost Bin Add On**

### ***Assembly***

**NOTE: The compost bin can be assembled on almost any level surface. Allow air flow under the compost bin using large stones/gravel, this will also allow drainage and better overall composting.**

1. Place the first 2 posts into position and hammer the steel ground spikes into the ground this gives greater stability to the product and helps you to build the compost bin. We recommend hammering the steel ground spikes 4 - 6 inches into the ground.
2. Slide the tongue and groove panels into the slots in the post. Ensure the tongue is facing down.
3. The tongue and groove panels need to have the brace bars slid into the groove (on the top panel only) This will stabilize and hold the compost bin posts in position.
4. If standing on Hard Ground you will need the Bottom Bars available from our website.
5. Position the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> corner posts into the T & G panels. Fit the top tongue and groove panels and position the brace bar cut out into the corner post grooves, and slide back into position.
6. Slide the remaining tongue and groove panels into place and slot the brace bars into position.
7. This should hold the compost bin held together firmly, allowing you to hammer the rest of the steel ground spikes into position making the compost bin very sturdy.

## ***Composting Tips***

Try to keep the garden waste /cuttings etc cut up as small as possible to speed up composting

Mix the composting materials and introduce some vegetable kitchen waste, add a small amount of garden soil, or a composting aid such as Garotta with each layer of composting materials that you add to your bin.

Try to rotate the layers occasionally (if possible).

If you have bought the extension bin/s remove some of the separating panels and drag the materials across to the empty bin ( using a rake) occasionally to aerate the compost adding a little garden soil each time you do this will rapidly increase the rate of decomposition.

Try using an old piece of Hessian backed carpet as a cover for your compost this will help to keep the heat in(generated by the decomposition) ,but will allow rain water to enter stopping the compost from drying out.