

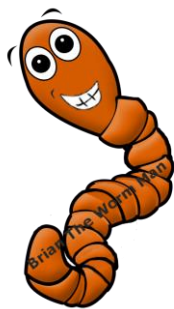
Dog Waste Composting

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Hi !

Thanks for buying worms from me.

I sell many different worm farms, for different purposes, and have a lot of good info listed on my website. There's also TONS on my Youtube channel.

I sell composting worms and also large BAIT WORMS for fishing.

If you're interested in looking at more info, or starting a worm farm yourself then that is the place to start :)

Composting Dog Waste (Manure)

There are a few REALLY IMPORTANT things to note about this subject.

- At NO TIME should the resulting Vermicompost (VC) be used on or near plants that you eat. Never. Ever. Seriously.
- The VC should be WELL BURIED so that people do not ever touch it afterwards. (Pick a spot well away from food plants, like in an ornamental garden.)
- The composting bin should be in contact with the ground - preferably BURIED in the ground, at least partially - to help keep the material inaccessible.

The easiest way of doing this is to use what I sell as a "Garden Feeding Station".

(You can make your own, copying what I have done, or buy one from me - I sell them for \$15 ready to go with bedding (with no worms, or \$45 with 100 grams of worms (about 500 worms) and a shaker of worm farm conditioner.)

This is basically a bucket buried in the ground where you feed the worms food and bedding and they use it as a "base" to work out from.

Here's a link to my Youtube video showing mine in the garden (I don't use it to compost dog waste, but it shows you one in use):

<http://thewormman.com.au/garden-feeding-station>



To Make Your Own:

- get a 15-20 litre bucket (bunnings has them for about \$15 - that's what makes my ready-to-go ones so well priced as I have done all the work for you.)
- cut off the bottom of the bucket.
- drill some holes in the sides to allow worms in and out of it.
- (I drill 16 holes in them, about 20mm wide.)
- make sure one row of holes is as close to the top of the bucket as you can to allow some oxygen in.

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How To Setup The Feeding Station:

Dig The Hole:

Locate a good position - if you can, place the Garden Feeding Station in a shady spot - possibly next to an established ORNAMENTAL plant.

Dig a hole to suit the size of the bucket.

Bury the bucket so the top row of airholes (under the lip of the bucket) is near to or above ground level.

Put the starter bedding in - to a depth of about 10-15 cm

- Put some **moistened** BEDDING in the bottom (about 3/4 of the total bedding depth)

- ADD something "microbial" such as old leaves or old grass (about 1/4 of the total)

The cardboard is best from brown cardboard boxes, ripped into about palm sized pieces.

Toilet paper tubes and egg cartons are also great. Make this about 10 -15 cm deep.

Then put some moistened ripped newspaper balls in there. Just rip the newspaper from the spine into strips, moisten it and ball it up about as big as a tennis ball. Put about 4 or 6 balls in.

Hide The Garden Feeding Station - And protect the worms from the sun

You may not want to see the top of the bucket. Hide it by planting a plant in a pot saucer and placing this over the lid of the bucket.

This also helps keep the sun and the heat off the bucket for the benefit of the worms living there.

Feeding & Care:

Worms can only eat so much - so keep an eye on them to see they are keeping up to your inputs. You may need a bigger bucket or more than one bucket.

As you feed manure in, you'll also have to add some carbon or "bedding" - like ripped up cardboard or newspaper. Just feeding manure may result in poor conditions for the worms.

Add some worm farm conditioner to each feeding.

Further instructions, hints & tips: You should also have been given a copy of my composting worm instructions, "**Quick Start Instructions For Composting Worms**" - please read that for tips on feeding and many other things to do with composting worms.

You may like to also have a composting worm farm.

There's TONS of info on my website and Youtube channel.

I even have a FREE Frequently Asked Questions Guide available on my website.

You can also ask me a question through my website (search it for "ask a question").

Thanks for buying your worms from me. Good luck and happy gardening !!!

regards,

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