



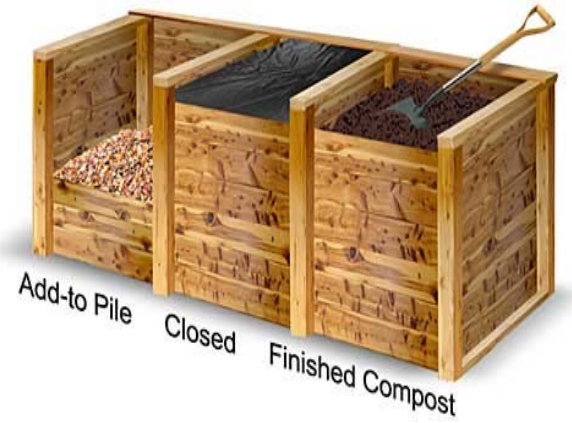
# BUILD YOUR OWN 3 BIN COMPOSTER

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## SUPPLIES NEEDED

- Hammer or Power Drill
- Shovel
- Saw
- 2 3/4" Galvanized Screws or Nails (approx 150)
- 11-1"x 8" x 8' long boards
- 9-2"x 2" x 8' long stakes
- 1-1"x 10" x 12' long board
- 1-1"x 10" ' 8' long board

**Purchasing Boards:**  
 For the wood needed in this project you should use either cedar or non-arsenic containing green treated timber. These types of timber will last longer in the ground and are more rot-resistant.



TOTAL APPROXIMATE COST—\$70-100

## CUTS TO BE MADE

- 1—Start by cutting the 2"x2"x8' stakes in half. These will be used for the side panels and dividers. (Pieces B,F, & K)
- 2— Cut 4 of the 1"x8"x8' long boards into twelve 32" long pieces; these will be for the sides and dividers (Pieces G,H, & I)
- 3— Cut the 1"x10"x12' long board into four 32" pieces (there will be a little left over). (Pieces J)
- 4— Cut four of the 1"x8"x8' long boards into 31 1/4" pieces (this will be fore the front pieces that slide in and out)
- 5—There will be three (3) remaining 1"x8"x8' long and one 1"x10"x8' long boards. These will be left intact and used for the back.



## INSTRUCTIONS—BUILD THIS UPSIDE DOWN

**Step 1:** Attach 2"x2" x 4' long wooden stakes to the cut 1"x8"x32" and 1"x10"x32" boards (see SIDE VIEW) - leave approx. 1/4" to 1/3" space between boards for better air circulation.

**Step 2:** After Sides and dividers are put together, attach one of the 1"x8"x8' long boards to one of the sides (See SIDE VIEW), then attach the other sides and dividers. Finish up by adding the two remaining 1"x8"x8' and one 1"x10"x8' long boards for the back. Remember to leave 1/4" to 1/3" spacing between boards.

**Step 3:** Dig small holes in approximate areas where stakes are to go into the ground—dig larger holes where there are multiple stakes close together.

**Step 4:** Get a partner to help you flip the completed composter over and place stakes securely into holes—backfill holes where the stakes are.

Anne Scott-James:  
**"However small your garden, you must provide for two of the serious gardener's necessities, a tool shed and a compost heap."**