




# "DON'T BAG IT" LAWN CARE PLAN

As autumn starts calling and leaves are falling, consider using them in your landscape instead of sending them to the landfill. Keeping leaves and other yard waste in your landscape recycles valuable organic matter and nutrients back into the soil.

Try these easy ways to recycle yard waste back into your landscape this fall:

-  Add leaves to your compost pile.
-  Rake shredded leaves into your landscape and garden beds as mulch.
-  Use a mulching lawn mower to mulch leaves and grass clippings directly into your lawn.

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# THE SCOOP ON COMPOST



## Benefits of composting:

- Adds valuable nutrients and helps soil retain moisture so you can water less.
- Reduces the amount of yard and kitchen waste going to the landfill.
- Encourages beneficial insects, bacteria and fungi that support healthy plant growth.



## Basic compost recipe:

- Alternate green layers, like vegetable scraps and grass clippings along with brown layers, like pine needles and leaves.
- Mix frequently and water occasionally to keep the compost moist and hot.
- Add garden soil to speed up the compost process.



## Explore different composting methods to fit your lifestyle:

- Active or hot composting
- Cold composting
- Vermicomposting with worms

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