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Compost Everything: The Good Guide To Extreme Composting





Synopsis

If you're ready to throw out the rule book and return as much as you can to the soil, Compost Everything is the book for you. It's time to quit fighting Mother Nature and start working with her to recycle organic matter and create lush and beautiful gardens with some of the most extreme composting techniques known to man! In this inspiring composting guide, you'll learn how to: Brew your own fish fertilizer with a few easy ingredients Quit turning piles and make compost the simple way Avoid roasting your garden with chemical-laced manure Discover the Native American trick for concentrating fertility and growing in lousy soil Squeeze every ounce of fertility from your compost Deal with grid-down sanitation Stop filling landfills and start enriching your yard Turn trash into treasure Get rid of unwanted bodies Learn to compost like you've never composted before with expert gardener and master composter David the Good.

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Customer Reviews

The book brings back some wonderful memories of my father teaching me to grow vegetables as a young boy. We dabbled with composting too, but waiting for waste to turn to fertilizer never seemed as interesting as waiting for seeds to grow into vegetables. Maybe if we'd had this book that would have been different. David's enthusiasm and passion for gardening jumps off the pages. And that's what makes it so enjoyable. He clearly passionately loves what he does, and that makes it a fun read.

Finally a composting book that's fun to read. You answered a pressing problem, what to do with all the Zombie bodies. Now I know to dig a hole dump the bodies back fill and plant melons and trees. Good Eats. (sorry Alton).

This is the best extreme composting book on the market. Do not miss it. The serious gardener should have this available for reference on the bookshelf. There is no substitute. You cannot go wrong with Good Guides and this installment to the growing collection is an absolute must read. It may well be the only guide to composting that keeps the reader engaged with humor, yet delivers a real world of knowledge that is priceless. I would buy it again for twice the price.

Wonderfully written. Won't bury the beginning composter/gardener in unwanted info. Gets right to the point and is an excellent reference work for home garden projects that require good soil or good growing conditions. Writer seems to be very down to earth and easy to relate to while at the same time maintaining an eccentricity that only a person who apparently performs dozens of composting experiments a year can. His ideas seem very plausible and correct and backed up with hard earned experience. As for reasons to compost he provides sections on the use of Graze-On in agriculture used to feed livestock. Very eye opening as he reveals a very scary possibility of bringing in poisoned manure and destroying your garden if your are not creating your own compost. I will soon be also buying the hard copy for ease of use in the yard.

As a hobby-gardener who wishes he had time for all that complicated composting stuff, I wish I'd had this book five years ago when I first bought my house. The last time I composted was about 3 years ago, and while I understood the science of composting...well, understanding the science of something can either lead you to enlightenment, or take you down the rabbit-hole of perfectionism and proportionality, and that always got me messed up one way or another. When your compost pile isn't working quickly or properly, it's enough to make you wish Cthulhu would rise from R'lyeh and do what he does best. I just quit composting in frustration, too much work for someone who works all the time. However, David the Good has written what may well be the Necronomicon of composting (and thus, gardening). Now I feel like I can summon the Elder Gods and Old Ones to improve the quality of the vegetables and flowers I grow (when I'm not busy writing or being lazy.) It really is simple: just throw it on the ground. It doesn't matter. I was especially fascinated by the effectiveness of "verboten" compostables like meat, roadkill, bodies, human waste...So if you're into

gardening, agriculture, or just want to learn something that is freaking interesting in an incredibly amusing format, then buy this book. I'll be referencing it for years to come, and will definitely acquire a dead tree version should one become available.

As with David's others, great gardening hacks, and very useful advice demystifying compost. (never thought I would ever say that!). Highly recommended.

Thought I knew all there was to know about composting (throw stuff in a pile, how hard can it be), and realize just how much I've been wasting. Now granted, I'm still not going to go and make humanure. But I've been letting cardboard/paper slip through my fingers, and given where I live, the notes about using logs to maintain soil moisture will be very useful. I've never used outside sources of animal manure, but the chapter was interesting and informative nonetheless about the dangers modern agricultural practices pose to the would-be composter. Humorous, informative, easy to read. All you need in a how-to.

It's a fun read with lots of useful information. There are some negative reviews, but I believe the writers of those reviews seem to have missed the word "Extreme" in the subtitle and expect a run of the mill, take itself too seriously book about composting that this book isn't. If you want to think outside the box (or compost tumbler) and don't require super awesome bits of perfectly decomposed soil in a time frame that isn't natural, then check out this book. Now, I need to go dig a hole and throw some food scraps and newspaper in. There's squash and watermelon get growing.

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