

Instruction Manual



Introduction

Congratulations on the purchase of your new Tumbleweed Yardart Pet Poo Composter.

This exciting and revolutionary composting system is the result of years of research and ongoing development.

Worms are Mother Nature's unique natural recyclers. By putting worms to work in your very own easy care farm, you will be converting your pets waste into rich organic fertiliser that the worms will disperse throughout your garden naturally.

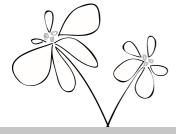
These instructions will allow you to harness the power of composting worms, so you can personally become part of the revolution to reduce landfill and greenhouse gases by recycling your pets waste through The Yardart Pet Poo Composter.

How the Worms Help Your Garden

Worm casting and the liquid fertiliser (worm tea) are wonderful additives to gardens. The worms burrow through the soil taking decaying organic matter with them down into the lower layers of the soil leaving behind tunnels, which give plants a better structure for their roots. The Yardart Pet Poo Composter allows the worms the freedom to move into and out of the Composter, feeding on the organic matter and then leave taking it with them. This also allows improved water flow through the soil improving clay soils. As worms move back up through the soil layers to the Pet Poo Composter they bring with them rich nutrients, which the plants roots, can access.

By using Tumbleweed's Yardart Pet Poo composter in your garden, you will see exceptional results in the colours and vitality of your plants and flowers as well as your lawn and trees.

If you want to relocate your Yardart to nourish a new part of your lawn or garden simply move and watch your garden grow.



This product is covered by various forms of Intellectual properties.

Assembly Instructions

Assembly of your Tumbleweed Yardart pet poo composter is easy. This product includes the following components:

O 1 x Lid

• 1 x Pedal Bar

• 1 x Worm Bedding Block

• 1 x Front Body

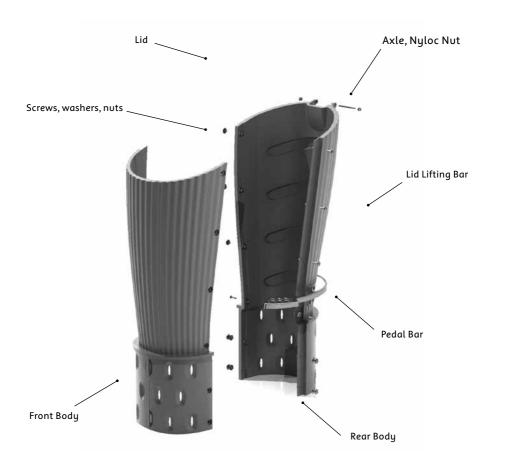
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• 1 x Compost Mate

1 x Rear Body

12 x Screws, Washers & Nuts

● 1 x Lid Lifting Bar ● 1 x Lid Axle and 1 x Nyloc Nut



Worms are not included with this product

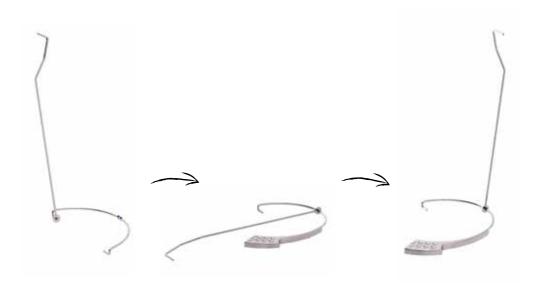


Safety

- Always wear gloves when using the system
- Wash hands after using unit
- Keep tools clean
- Store tools inside unit
- Keep lid closed
- Keep children away from pet droppings

Step 1 - Assemble Pedal Mechanism

Slide the Lid Lifting Bar onto the Pedal bar and position between the pinch marks at the rear of the Pedal Bar – ensure correct alignment of Lid Lifting Bar.



Step 2 – Assemble Pedal Mechanism to Rear Body

- Locate one end of the Pedal bar into one collar of the Rear Body
- Squeeze the Rear Body to locate the pedal Bar into the collar on the other side



Step 3 – Assemble Front Body to Rear Body

- Slide the body halves together
- Secure with 12 screws, washers and nuts

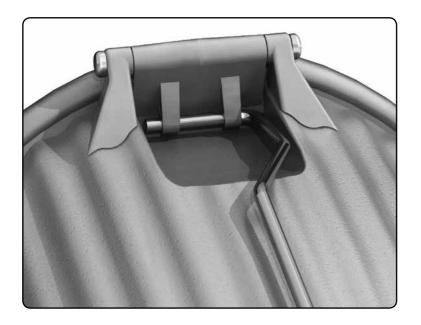


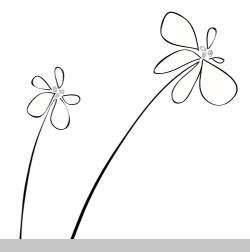




Step 4 – Assemble Lid

- Slide Lid onto Lid Lifting Bar
- Locate Lid and Rear Body and Secure with Lid axle and nyloc nut



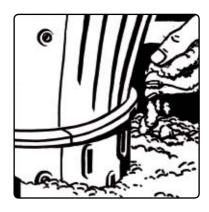


Installation Instructions

- Find a suitable location in your yard or garden
 to set up your Tumbleweed Yardart Pet Poo
 Composter. The location can be in a sunny
 or shady spot. Tumbleweed does not recommend
 that the Yardart Pet Poo Composter be placed in
 a vegetable or herb garden.
- 2. Prepare the bedding block as per instruction on the packaging. The bedding block provides a "home base" for the worms to move in and out of as they process your pets dropping.
- 3. Dig a hole approximately 400mm square (16") and 320mm (13") deep, deep enough so the flange is buried just below ground level.
- 4. Sprinkle a good handful of Tumbleweed Worm Farm & Compost Conditioner in the base of the hole.
- **5.** Locate your Yardart pet Poo Composter centrally in the hole.
- **6.** Pack approximately 50% of the prepared bedding block around the outside of the unit.
- 7. Pack the remaining 50% in the bottom of inside the Yardart – remember the bedding is a home for your composting worms to live in whilst they process the pet waste.
- 8. Using the left over soil, back fill the surrounding outside of the hole, ensuring the flange is buried just below ground level. Ensure you don't bury the unit too deep, as you will restrict the movement of the pedal.







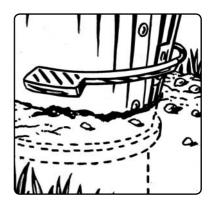


9. Your Tumbleweed Yardart Pet Poo Composter is now ready to add worms. Just like a worm farm you need composting worms, not garden worms. Add a minimum of 2000 composting worms on top of the bedding inside the unit to ensure the system gets going quickly and efficiently. At this point make sure your worms are well watered – Do not let your system dry out. You can source your worms through Tumbleweed at www.tumbleweed.com.au

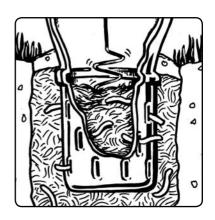
Note: You can add all of the cardboard packaging that your Tube O Worms comes in to your Yardart and send back to Tumbleweed the two plastic end caps for recycling.

- 10. Leave the Yardart for approximately 1 week, for the worms to adjust to their new home.

 Then start adding small amounts of pet droppings mixed with food scraps from the kitchen and sprinkle with Tumbleweed Worm Farm & Compost Conditioner. Gently mix with Compost Mate. Over a period of a month, slowly reduce the amount of kitchen scraps until you are just feeding pet droppings only.
- 11. The Tumbleweed Yardart Pet Poo Composter must always remain moist. When adding your pets droppings to the unit, water generously. This will stop the pet droppings from becoming too hard and dry, making it difficult for the worms to digest the droppings.







Maintenance Instructions

- Maintaining your Tumbleweed Yardart Pet Poo Composter is easy. Regular attention will ensure your worms efficiently process your pets droppings and turn them into worm castings, which will help improve your soil and keep pet droppings out of landfill.
- Add your pets droppings as you collect and clean up your lawn.

Once per week:

- Use the Tumbleweed 'Compost Mate' to aerate and mix, bringing the worms to the surface of the unit. This will improve the worms rate of processing your pets droppings.
- Add a handful of Tumbleweed's Worm Farm & Compost Conditioner.

 This will help the worms process the pets droppings and balance the pH in the system and reduce any odour.
- Generously water to ensure to the unit stays moist. The worms will not survive in a dry environment and cannot process your pets droppings if they have become too dry or hard.



Worms will continue to eat as more droppings are added to the Yardart.

As you continue to place droppings into your system, use your Compost Mate to bring the worms to the surface inside of the Yardart, remembering to add water as you go.



To Relocate Your Yardart

If you would like to relocate your Yardart Pet Poo Composter to another part of your garden or lawn, stop feeding the system for one week to allow the time for the worms to eat all the remaining pet droppings in the system.

When setting up the Yardart in its new spot to get your worms you can:

• Use a spade to remove the worm castings off the top until you reach your worms.

All the worms will have worked their way to the bottom where you can easily collect them, gently lift your worms out of the hole and transfer to the inside of your Yardart in its new location.

Follow the installation instructions to relocate your system to its new spot. You will need to purchase a new bedding block through Tumbleweed at www.tumbleweed.com.au or through your local hardware store or qarden centre, as this is the home for your worms.

You don't need to purchase more worms as you can use the worms from the existing system.

FAQ's

Q: Why is there bedding block around the outside of the Tumbleweed Yardart pet poo composter?

A: This forms a safe haven for the worms to retreat to after feeding.

Q: What do I do if I have wormed my pet?

A: The Yardart pet Poo Composter has been designed so that if you have wormed your pet the worms can move through the holes at the base of the unit, away from the chemicals that may still be in the droppings.

Q: What to do if the vet has put my pet on medication.

A: Its all part of being a responsible pet owner – remember the worms are now your pets and chemical and poisons will kill them. If the vet has put your pet on an ongoing medication, it will be best to not put the droppings into the Yardart.

Contact us & find out more

Please enjoy your new Yardart Pet Poo Composter, it is designed to enhance your yard and personal space, while teaching us to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle.

For more information on the Tumbleweed Yardart Pet Poo Composter, as well as valuable advice on recycling organic waste, worm farming and composting, please visit www.tumbleweed.com.au

