

Florence

Dutch Bros

☕ 15th St. and Hwy 101

Cottage Grove

Espresso Cruz-In

☕ Hwy 99S

Other coffee shop locations may be happy to share grounds with you. Offer to bring a clean 5-gallon bucket to put them in.

If you find a location that would like to be a part of our program contact:

**OSU/Lane County Extension Service
Compost Specialists
541-682-7320 or email to**

compost.specialist@oregonstate.edu



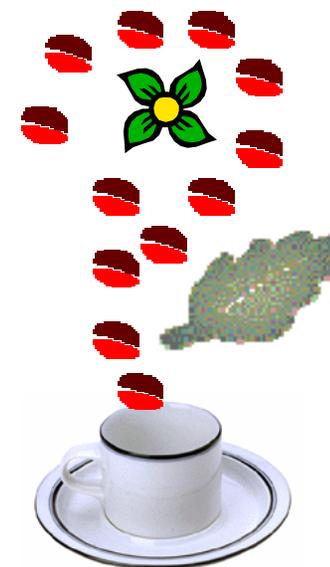
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<http://extension.oregonstate.edu/lane/gardens/volunteer>

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Coffee Grounds and Composting



Coffee grounds are a great addition to the garden and compost pile. Help to recycle this great organic resource and reduce the amount of organics going to the landfill!

Some information about coffee grounds:

- ☕ Coffee grounds are about 2% nitrogen by volume.
- ☕ Grounds are not acidic; the acid in coffee is water-soluble so the acid is mostly in the coffee.
- ☕ Coffee grounds are close to pH neutral (between 6.5 - 6.8 pH).
- ☕ Coffee grounds improve soil tilth or structure.

☕ Coffee grounds are an excellent nitrogen source for **composting**. They have a C/N ratio of 20/1. In informal trials with OSU/Lane County Extension Service, Compost Specialists sustained temperatures of 140^o-160^oF have been recorded for up to two weeks (when coffee grounds were 25% of the material in the compost pile by volume).

☕ Anecdotal evidence suggests coffee grounds repel slugs and snails in the garden.

How do I use coffee grounds?

☕ Spread the coffee grounds directly on the soil. Cultivate into the soil. If left to dry out they can repel water in much the same way as peat moss that becomes dry.

☕ Spread on the soil and cover with leaves or compost or bark mulch.

☕ Incorporate directly into the soil, mixing in well, or lightly cultivating into the soil.

☕ Add to the compost pile by layering the ingredients using 1/3 leaves, 1/3 fresh grass clippings and 1/3 coffee grounds.

☕ Add coffee grounds as part of a static compost pile, being sure to always add an equivalent amount of a carbon source such as shredded paper or dry leaves. Mix together well.

☕ Coffee grounds are **not** a nitrogen fertilizer. In a germination test at the GrassRoots Garden in Eugene,

OR, coffee grounds were mixed with potting soil at a ratio of 25% by volume. Lettuce seeds showed poor rates of germination and stunted growth compared to lettuce seeds planted in potting mix without coffee grounds.

☕ If incorporating coffee grounds directly into the soil, add a nitrogen fertilizer at the same time. Coffee grounds encourage the growth of microorganisms in the soil, which use nitrogen for their growth and reproduction. While the grounds are being broken down by the microorganisms the additional nitrogen in the fertilizer will provide a source of nutrients for your plants.

☕ Paper coffee filters may be added to the compost pile as a carbon source. Shred or tear to speed decomposition.

☕ Coffee grounds do not “go bad.” For future use store in 32- gallon trash container near compost bin or pile.

Here are locations in Lane County where the OSU/Lane County Extension Service Compost Specialists have placed a 32-gallon Rubbermaid trash can to collect coffee grounds. They will be bagged but bring gloves for handling and a container to place them in.

Springfield

Starbucks Coffee

☕ 1661 Mohawk (outside east door)

Eugene

Starbucks Coffee

☕ 205 E 18th
(outside near the newspaper boxes)

☕ Delta & Green Acres: across from Home Depot (in the drive through)

☕ Uof O: 801 E 13th Ave. (inside)

☕ 472 W 7th (no container, ask inside)

☕ 901 Pearl St - Eugene Hotel
(ask inside store to pick up)

Full City Coffee

☕ 13th and Pearl
(cans are located near the dumpsters behind the store)

Dutch Bros. Coffee

☕ 1701 W 11th
(Delivered daily from 4-locations. Bring gloves and container.)

Wandering Goat Coffee Roasters

☕ 268 Madison (grounds and chaff)

Veneta

Nina's Pony Espresso

☕ 88345 Territorial Rd

Espressway Coffee Co.

☕ West Lane Center, Veneta