

How to Build a Pallet Composting Bin

What you will need:

5 pallets with slat spacing of ½" – 1"

How to assemble:

1. Place 1 pallet with slats up on the ground.
2. Arrange the remaining pallets upright (short sides up) around each side of the base to form a box.
3. Attach the sides at each corner with wire, coat hangers, rope, etc.
4. Sides last 4 to 6 years; replace as needed.
5. Bottom lasts 1 to 2 years; drop another fresh pallet over the old base when needed.



Multi-bin unit:

By using a total of 9 pallets you can transform the pallet bin into a multi-bin unit.

1. Add a 2nd bottom pallet next to the side of the 1st bin.
2. Fasten the 3 additional pallets around it. Making sure it is tied into the 1st bin.
3. Use the 2nd bin to aerate the composting pile by move the composting pile from 1 side to the other.
4. By adding a 3rd bin (4 additional pallets), you can also have a bin to store the finished compost in while it cures for the month after composting is complete.

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