

BACKYARD COMPOST PILE

- Fruit and vegetable scraps (no citrus fruit, remove stickers)
- Coffee grounds and unbleached filters
- Tea leaves and paper/muslin teabags (no staples or microplastics)
- Egg, peanut, and nut shells
- Fruit pits and apple cores
- Chopped stalks, stems, vines
- Flower clippings
- Shredded newspaper
- Unbleached natural loofahs, sponges
- Brown paper towels, napkins, toilet paper rolls
- Paper egg cartons, produce cartons
- Sawdust, untreated wood shavings
- Ashes (from natural wood, limited amounts)



Note: Avoid ashes from charcoal briquettes due to additives.
Natural ashes can also enrich soil around bushes.