



the Living bin

Recycling Food Waste in the Victorian Alps

Mt Buller and Mt Stirling Resorts' organic waste can:



GO FROM THIS...



TO THIS...



TO THIS...IN 24 HOURS

What is the Living Bin Program?

The Living Bin program is a food waste recovery project run by 4SITE Australia with the support of the major Alpine Resorts in North East Victoria (Falls Creek, Mt Buller & Mt Stirling, Mt Hotham and the village of Dinner Plain). The resorts continue to separate, collect and turn their food waste into compost, and encourage everyone to participate.

What are organics?

Organics is any matter that once was alive. Organic waste mainly includes: garden waste, food waste and paper/cardboard. Removing all plastic and foil will ensure a successful process.

Isn't food waste just waste?

When food waste goes into landfill it releases harmful gases that contribute to climate change: which means no more snow! Food waste can be turned into useful products such as compost which improves soil condition and reduces the need for water by up to 30%. Over 50% of the waste tipped at landfill from the Alpine Resorts is food waste.

So where does it go and what happens to it?

The food waste (organics) must be separated, and placed into tied bags. It is transported to the Mt Buller waste transfer station, where it is turned into soil conditioner in 24hrs by an in-vessel composter.

What you **CAN** put in the ORGANIC WASTE bin:



✓ Food scraps



✓ Peels, fruit & vegies



✓ Meat, bones & shells



✓ Dairy products



✓ Citrus, egg shells & tea bags



✓ Paper: tissues, towels, plates & serviettes

All food scraps: leftovers & plate scrapings including unpackaged out-of date, spoiled or mouldy food, fruit & vegetables, rice & pasta, bread & cake, egg shells, paper: including towels, serviettes, tissues & paper plates, coffee grounds & tea bags, peels & rinds, meat & bones, onion & citrus, cooked food including sauces & dairy products, frozen & canned goods.

What you **CAN'T** put in the ORGANIC WASTE bin:

✗ No Plastics **✗ No Metal** **✗ No Gladwrap** **✗ No Foil**

NO PLASTICS: This includes: glad wrap, plastic containers, plastic plates, condiment sachets, straws, rubber gloves, plastic cutlery.
NO METALS: This includes: foil & cans.
NO BROKEN GLASS OR CROCKERY. NO NAPPIES

For more information about ORGANIC WASTE bins go to your Resort Management office

