

FOGO, also known as Food Organics Garden Organics is a new waste service (required by the Victorian Government) that begins on 1 July 2026 for all residential properties within serviced areas.

Instead of your food waste going into landfill and creating greenhouse gases, it will now be recycled into compost that can be used on farms and in our local parks and gardens across Victoria. The result – improved soil quality that creates better food.

Avoiding Odours

No one likes a smelly bin, so here's some tips and tricks to keep your FOGO bin sparkling.

- Keep the caddy lid closed and empty and rinse regularly.
- Keep outdoor bins in the shade with the lid closed.
- Start your bin with garden waste then layer with food scraps.
- Freeze smelly foods like seafood and take them out on bin night.
- Sprinkle bi-carb soda in your bin to absorb odours.



For more information on what goes in each bin, when your bins are collected and more, please scan the QR code below or visit:

www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/FOGO



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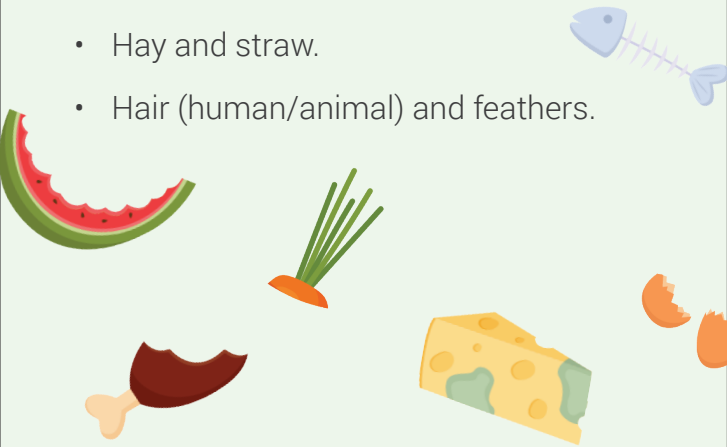


Count me in!

These go in your FOGO Bin (green lid)

You can pop these in a Council-issued compostable caddy liner (please don't tie a knot):

- Fruit and vegetable scraps.
- Meat, seafood bones and shells.
- Bread, cereal, rice, noodles and pasta.
- Out-of-date, inedible foods.
- Leaves, plants, twigs, grass and weeds.
- Coffee grounds and loose leaf tea.
- Cheese, yoghurt and cream.
- Cooking oil soaked up with paper towel.
- Pet food.
- Hay and straw.
- Hair (human/animal) and feathers.



Count me out

Don't put me in your FOGO Bin

- Plastic bags including bioplastic, degradable or biodegradable.
- Food packaging including stickers, rubber bands or cling wrap.
- Cat litter, dog poo and other animal faeces.
- Treated or painted timber.
- Branches over 10 centimetres in diameter or too long to allow the lid to be closed.
- Bricks, rubble, sand, dirt or other building waste.
- Plastic pots and containers.
- Nappies or wet wipes.
- Takeaway coffee cups (including compostable), coffee pods and tea bags.



Help me out

How Do I Use My FOGO Bin?

Collect your food scraps

Use your kitchen caddy to collect your food scraps while you cook. Keep it somewhere easy to access, like on the bench, near your current bins, or under the sink with the lid closed.

Empty into your FOGO bin

Food scraps can go into your bin loose, or in an accepted certified compostable (AS4736) caddy liner (don't tie a knot as they contaminate the compost).

Take your bin out for collection

Your FOGO bin will be collected weekly.

Please Note: Your General Waste bin (red lid) will now be collected fortnightly. Your Recycle bin (yellow lid) will stay fortnightly.