

# YARD+FOOD WASTE



These go in your **green** yard+food waste cart. Collected weekly. Not all properties offer this, check with your property manager for details or to set up service for your complex.

## Yard Waste & Plants



## Food Scraps & Leftovers

ALL FOOD INCLUDING MEAT, CHEESE AND BONES



No plastic bags, plant pots, soil, sod, rocks, liquids, shredded paper or pet waste.

## Paper

MUST BE UNCOATED (NOT SHINY OR PLASTIC-LINED)



## FOOD SCRAP TIPS

**Gather food scraps** from your kitchen in:

- Paper grocery bag
- Reusable container
- Newspaper
- Compostable bags [kingcounty.gov/depts/dnrp/solid-waste/garbage-recycling/compost-right](http://kingcounty.gov/depts/dnrp/solid-waste/garbage-recycling/compost-right)

**Empty reusable container** into the yard+food waste cart or dumpster frequently, and rinse out.



**Make your food last longer** with a few of these tips:

- Store certain produce in the fridge to extend it's shelf life, like apples, berries, cucumbers, cherries, peppers, grapes, and citrus fruits.
- Use your counter space to ripen fruits such as avocados, melons, pears, and stone fruit. Once ripe, refrigerate.
- Store bananas on your counter top away from other fruit—they give off a gas that ripens nearby fruit faster. Or, use them to help ripen fruit quickly!
- Put your bread in the freezer if you won't use it up in one week.