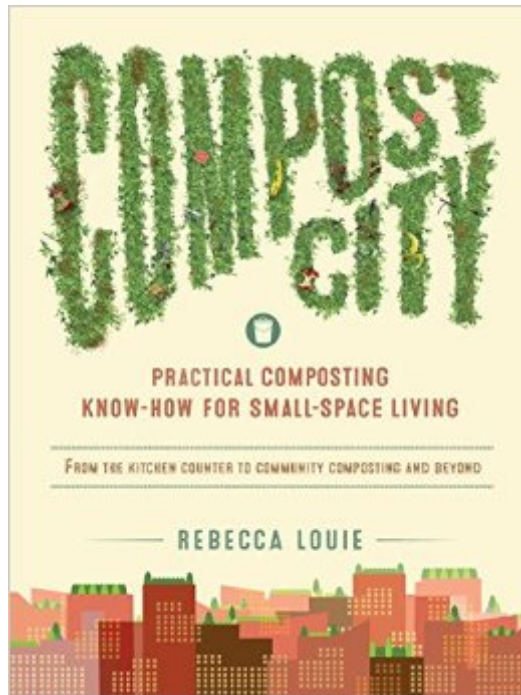


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Compost City: Practical Composting Know-How For Small-Space Living



Synopsis

These days, everyone's talking about compost. Along with backyard chickeners, balcony beekeepers, rooftop farmers, and community gardeners, urban composters are part of a bumper crop of pioneers who are redefining the green space of crowded towns and cities. You may think you need a big yard to compost. Think again. Compost City teaches you how to easily choose and care for a compost system that fits perfectly into your (tiny) space, (busy) schedule, and (multifaceted) lifestyle. Whether you live in a cramped apartment or a sprawling town house, or you dream of composting in a shared space with a group of friends or colleagues, Compost City provides simple and effective indoor and outdoor composting options. Packed with research, expert testimonies, and a healthy dose of humor, Compost City will help you: • compost your food scraps and yard waste with ease • ease your fears of backbreaking labor, obnoxious odors, big messes, and creepy crawlies (hint: you can compost successfully without any of the above!) • convince compost-wary family, friends, neighbors, and community leaders to green-light your compost dreams Compost City serves all eco-curious citizens from casual hobbyists to staunch activists. Put your compost cap on. Whether you compost one tea bag or whole honking barrelfuls of scraps at a time, you're about to have a whole lot of fun.

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This is a fantastic, invaluable book, written in such a charming and playful style, you almost forget it's useful and educational. Even if you already compost, this book is a terrific tool, teaching you

about the variety of compost methods, many of which allow you to compost even more waste (hello, bokashi!). It's especially great for people in small spaces, worried about a bin's footprint, or odor. Author Louie guides you past qualms and gets you excited about setting up your system. She even shows you that yes, you too can keep worms. Compost City also offers tips on activism and getting others involved in composting in a manner that emphasizes fun and community spirit. There is no haranguing or hand-wringing here, just practical, useful (and funny) guidelines for setting up a system that benefits us all.

What's not to like about decomposing food, micro-biomes & worms? Well, before reading Compost City, I would have given you a LONG list! Rebecca's zany, engaging and accessible writing style, paired with her clever illustrations (you'll never see a more handsome sponge!), has changed that list of no's into an even longer list of YES's (that I've since composted, of course). It's a quality book that I'll reference throughout my composting journey -- and also one that has been a hit every time I've gifted it :). Bonus: if you're an uncle like me (or aunt!) this book will load you with endless facts that will leave your nieces and nephews wiggling with delight! They'll never believe you have worms living in your apartment (so far, so good for my new friends!)

Excellent book on all fronts: succinct, highly informative and very entertaining. I would only argue that it's not only for the urban composter but for anyone with an interest in helping to preserve the environment, one kitchen at a time, and have a boat load of fun doing it in the process. I mean, there are worms!

I've been composting since before it was hot (ha) yet I still learned a ton from this awesome book. This totally fun and accessible guide is perfect for the compost-wary friend or relative you know. There are some really inspiring examples of composting projects all over the country as well as practical advice that makes composting in any sized home "second nature."

Wonderful book. Even though we live in a small apartment, this changed how we deal with our weekly waste, and we feel that we're giving back to the environment in ways that we never did before. Anybody interested in doing something for their fridge, yard, and the Earth as a whole should read this.

A must read BEFORE you enter into this fascinating world of composting. This book is practical,

amusingly written and takes you through the different ways to compost. Enjoyed reading about bokashi (a Japanese method) and 'lasagna gardening' (sheet composting)!

I thoroughly enjoyed this little gem of a book and learning about something so unique and interesting! The author is a very talented writer and makes it interesting and captivating all the way through. Highly recommend.

This is bar-none the most comprehensive and enjoyable publication about the burgeoning world of urban composting I've ever had the pleasure to read. If you plan to bring a little life into the walk-in closet your landlord somehow legally listed as an apartment, you owe it to yourself to read Ms. Louie's book, sure to be regarded the de facto bible on the art in the near future. Happy Composting!

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