

Worm Composting Troubleshooting Guide

SYMPTOM	PROBLEM	SOLUTION
Worm bin smells bad	Not enough air circulation Improper food scraps Too much food	Add fresh bedding Remove meat, bones or other dairy products Feed worms less
Worms are dying	Not enough food Bin too dry Bin too wet Bedding is eaten; too many castings	Add food into bedding Moisten contents until slightly damp Add bedding Harvest castings and add fresh bedding
Fly infestation	Food exposed	Secure lid with latches Line bin with weather stripping Cover food scraps with bedding Cover worms and bedding with sheet of moist newspaper
Ant infestation	Food accessible	Coat legs of bin with TangleFoot or similar product Set legs in cans of water or mineral oil



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