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Meet your Mill kitchen bin

It dries, shrinks, and de-stinks
your kitchen scraps so we can
turn them into food for chickens.



What's in the box

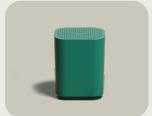
(VERY HEAVY, SORRY ABOUT THAT)



Mill Kitchen Bin



Bucket



Charcoal Canister IN THE BUCKET



Bin Magnet



User Manual YOU ARE HERE



Safety + Warranty Guide

First, download the app



mill.com/app

The app will walk you through setup, pairing, putting in kitchen scraps, and understanding what happens next.

OK to put in

Your bin will happily grind up most things you can't or won't eat.



Fruits



Vegetables



Peels



Rinds and pits

MIGHT BE LOUD ON AN EMPTY BUCKET



Meats and fish



Chicken, fish, and other small bones



Plate scrapings



Dairy and eggs

Not OK to put in

Don't put in too much liquid or any big bones. If you're not sure, check the in-app Food Library.



Beef, pork, lamb, or other large bones



Hard shells



Large amounts of liquid, grease, or oil



Houseplants or flowers



Large amounts of sugar, cake, or cookies



Compostable plastics or packaging



Takeout containers, paper plates, or bowls



Drugs or medicine

What about gum? Bacon grease? That expired bottle of mustard? Check the Mill app for the full list.

Fill it up



FIRST DAY

Throw kitchen scraps in and they'll get ground up and dried out overnight.



NEXT DAY

By morning, your first Food Grounds™ will look like potpourri. Keep adding more kitchen scraps right on top. Your bin will keep running automatically.



DAY 2–5

After a few days, that potpourri-like mix will get more ground up. It looks like dirt, but it's actually nutrient-rich Food Grounds.



WEEK 1–4

In a few weeks, the bucket will fill up and it'll be time to empty it. Keep an eye on the green line and don't overfill the bucket.

Empty it out



01

You'll know it's time to empty the bucket when the Food Grounds get close to the line. That usually takes a couple weeks.



02

Your Mill Membership™ includes bags and prepaid boxes so you can mail your Food Grounds back to us. Put a bag in the box and pour the Food Grounds in. Zip the bag and seal the box.



03

Schedule a pickup in the app for the next day and put the box out for USPS in the morning. They'll ship it back to us so we can turn your Food Grounds into food for chickens.

And get ready to fill it back up again



01

No need to wash the bucket. Anything stuck on the sides will come off over time.



02

Check the dust filter. It works like the lint trap in a dryer and you clean it the same way – just brush it with a finger.

Bin basics

Open

Step on the foot pedal. Want the lid to stay open? Open it with your hand.

Start

If you want to run a Dry & Grind cycle now, start it in the app or double press the lid button.

Stop

Double press the lid button or use the app to stop your bin at any time.

Unlock

Press and hold the lid button until the lock icon disappears.

Locks

Your bin will lock itself when it's hot, or you can lock it in the app to keep kids and pets out.



Your bin is locked.



Your bin is locked and the bucket is hot.

Lights

 The bin is drying and grinding.

 The bin is giving things a quick mix.

 There's a jam.

What you can do in the app



Change your schedule.

The Dry and Grind cycle will start at 10pm by default, but you can change it at any time.



See how much time is left on a Dry and Grind cycle.

Depending how full the bucket is and how wet or oily your kitchen scraps are, they could take a while to fully dry and grind.



Schedule a box pickup, order more boxes, or get a new charcoal filter.

Additional boxes and replacement filters are included.



See what can and can't go in your bin.

We've thought of (almost) everything.



Set the Kid and Pet Lock.

Turn it on if you're worried about little fingers or paws getting into the bucket.

A few things to watch out for



DO NOT OVERFILL

Don't go over the line. Too much food can gum up the works and get, well, gross.



LIMIT LIQUID AND OIL

Don't throw in a stick of butter, half a jar of salad dressing, or a pan of oil. If you have a bowl of cereal or soup, strain out the liquid in the sink first.



YOU MIGHT HEAR SOME NOISES

Usually your bin will be quiet, but sometimes it will have to chew up bones or pits. Don't worry if you hear a crunch.



DON'T SEND WET FOOD GROUNDS

Make sure they've been completely dried and ground up and your bin has given you the green light (literally) to take them out.

Thanks for bringing Mill home.

And thank you for your sandwich
crusts and banana peels.

We love them.

