Make a compostarium

Find out who’s eating all your fruity leftovers. Build a box for bugs that they’ll just love eating.

1. Open the cardboard box at the bottom and top. Watch out for sharp staples.

2. Find a sheltered spot and put your box upside down with the flaps outwards. Weigh the flaps down with small stones.

3. Fill your compostarium with compost food (nothing cooked, though). It needs to stay moist, so water it regularly, but only a little at a time. You don’t want the box going soggy.

4. Keep the lid closed with something light such as a branch.

5. Compost creatures will soon discover this great food feast. Check every so often to see what’s feeding inside.

6. After a while, your cardboard box will start to turn to compost too! That’s when it’s time to put your compostarium on the compost heap. Or you can simply dig it into the ground and let the animals escape.

You will need

- Cardboard box
- Compost food such as potato peelings, apple cores and scrunched up paper.
- Small pebbles
- Small branch