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## Vermicomposter

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## **Material List**



Colored IKEA SAMLA box 22L or similar volume plastic box. #2



Regular potting soil, 10 liters



Non-transparent IKEA SAMLA lid for 22L box or equivalent for other box choice, #1



Dead brown leaves or cardboard, 10 liters



Drill, #1



Daily kitchen vegetable & fruit waste of 2 people



5mm drill bit, #1



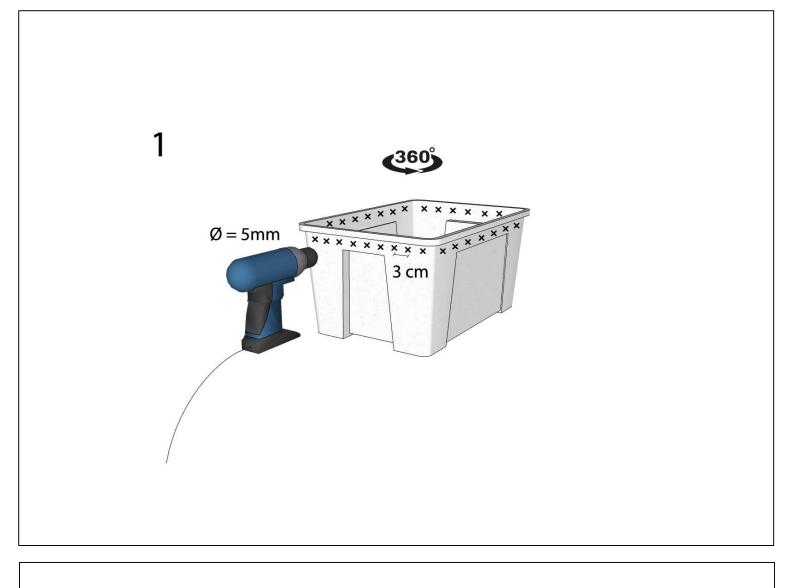
Plastic hand shovel or similar,

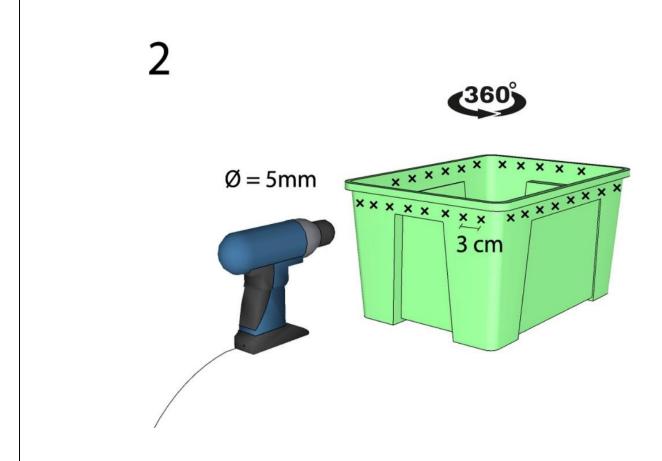


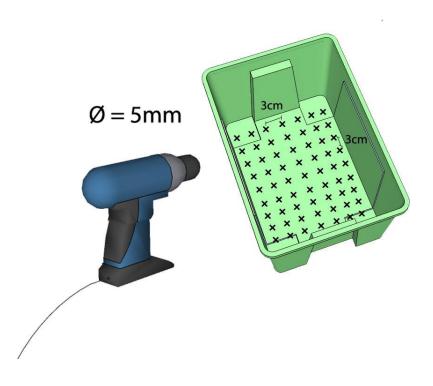
Measuring tape or ruler, minimum 1 meter

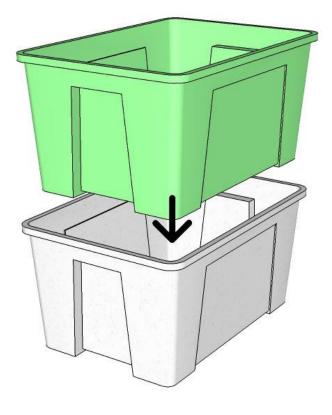


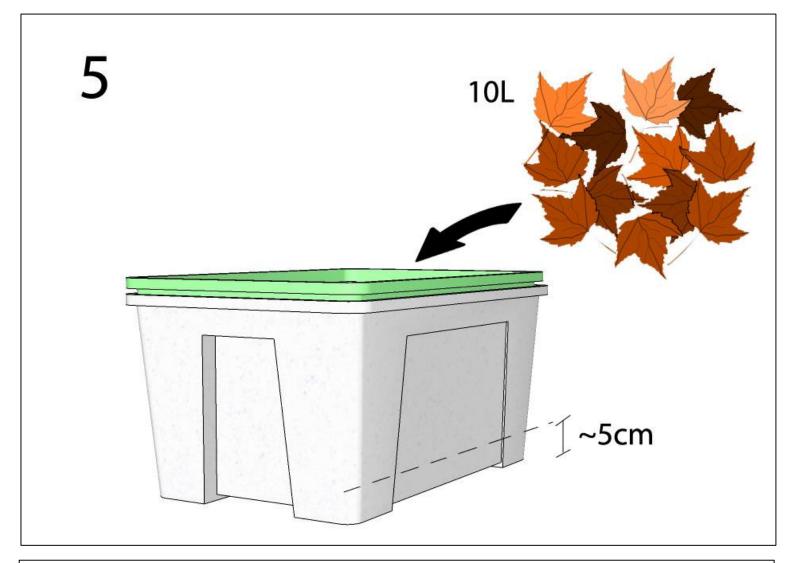
Eisenia fetida (Red wriggler), #15

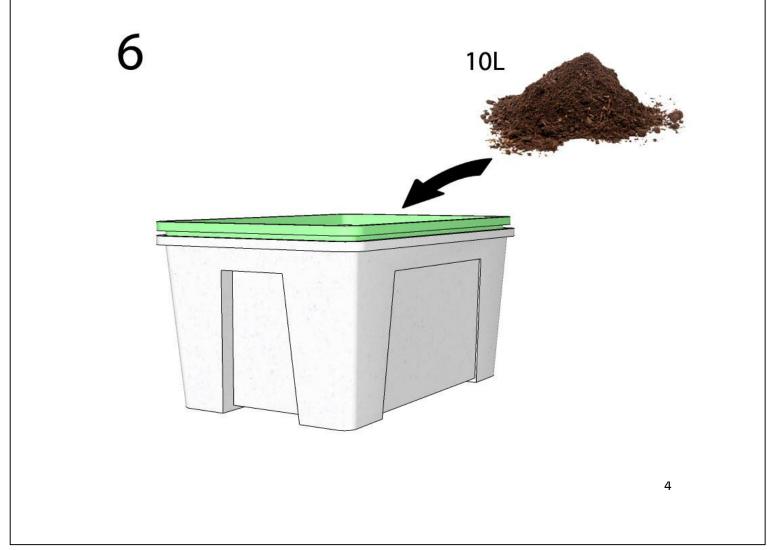


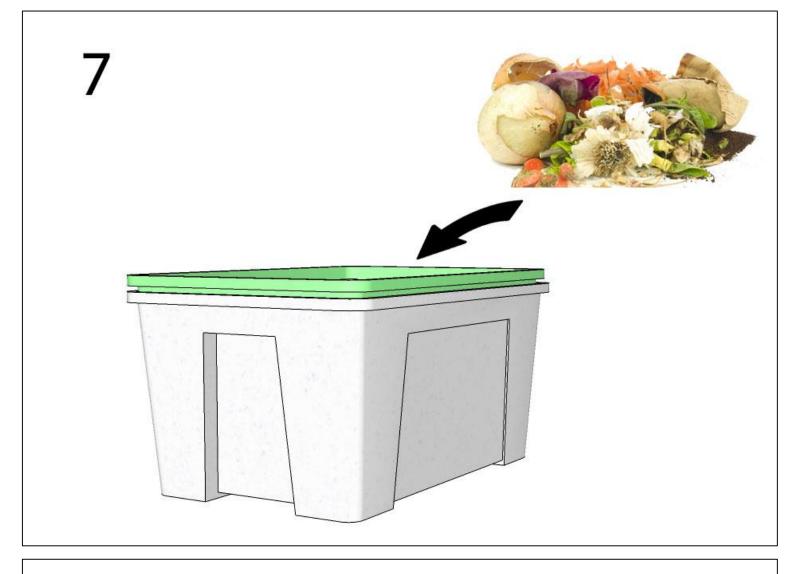


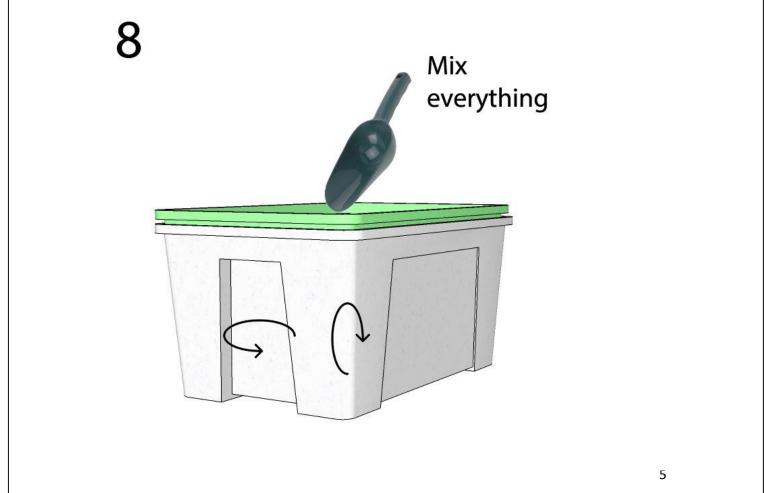


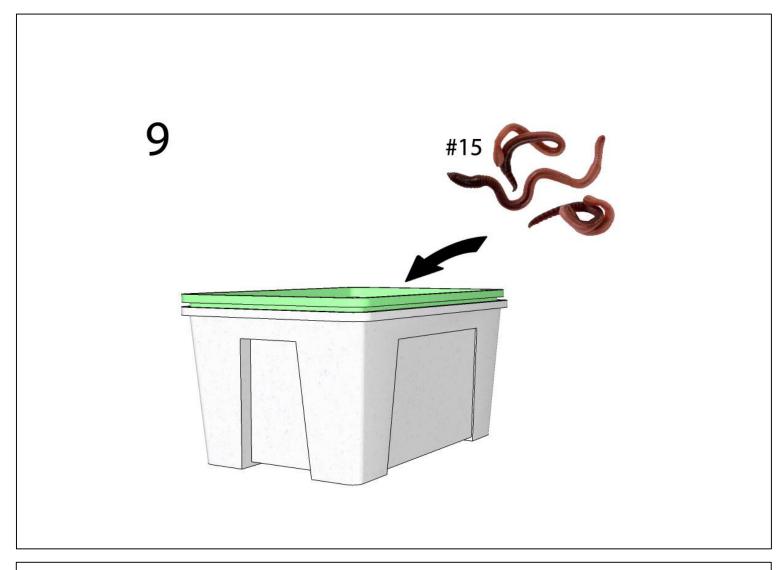


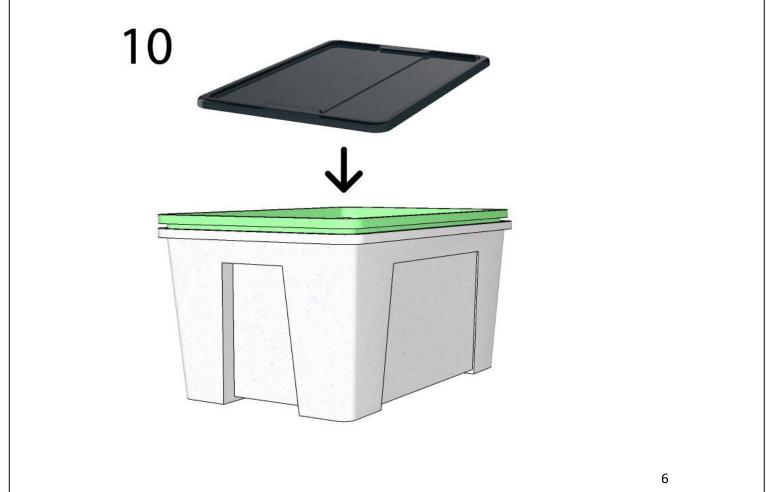


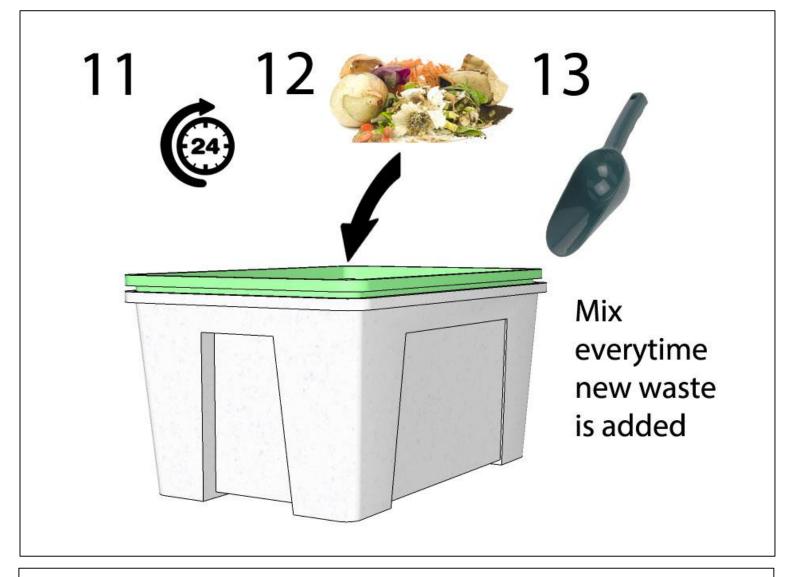


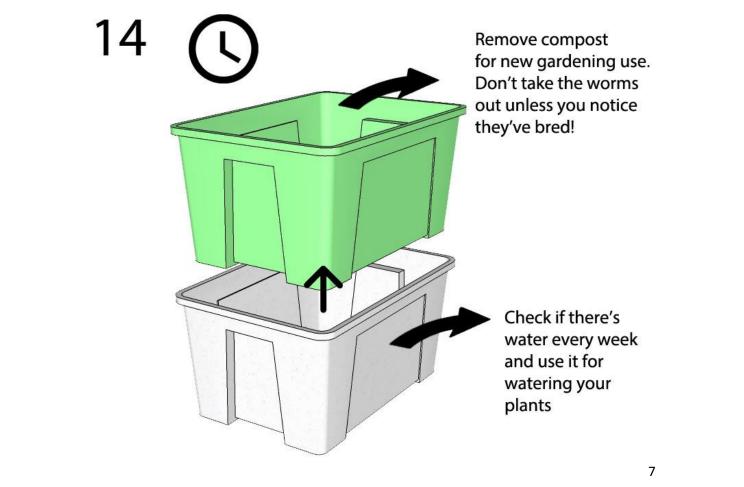












## Known Issues/Suggestions: While durable, plastic isn't the most sustainable material; Requires manual aeration by mixing with hand shovel; Requires balancing of carbon based scraps and nitrogen based scraps to ensure adequate balance; Can be prone to bug infestation such as flower flies and thrips; Depending on the household, the 22L volume might not be enough to process a daily amount of kitchen scraps.

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