

WELCOME!
to our
"COMPOSTING" PRIVY

Please:

- **Urinate in the Woods. Excessive liquids slow down the composting process.**
- **“Flush” after each use with a handful of organic material from the bin. (handful = about the size of a grapefruit)**
- **If the bin is empty, follow the posted instructions to collect forest duff for flush material.**
- **Close the lid after use.**
- **Do NOT deposit any garbage, hygiene products or food wastes into the toilet. These items do not compost.**
- **Do NOT disturb this unit or the covered crib next door for your own health and safety.**

Thank you for assisting the volunteer Piedmont Appalachian Trail Hikers in providing the AT hiking community with quality sanitation facility.

This system is called a moldering privy. Solid human wastes are broken down through a mesophilic (cool), aerobic (with oxygen) composting process. Exposure to moisture and air flow facilitate the necessary environment for beneficial soil organisms. Flushing with proper amounts of the correct types of organic materials assists the compost process by providing additional nutrients and pockets of air space.

If you have any questions or comments about this subject or are interested in volunteering on the Appalachian Trail, please contact:

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