

OUR RAW MATERIALS.



PLANT STARCH

Plant starches can be used to make low-carbon bioplastics that are fully compostable. We supply two types: PLA and CPLA. PLA is used for our transparent products, like our Cold Cups and Deli Bowls. It is heat sensitive to 40°C, so these products are suitable for cold food and drinks. CPLA combines PLA with other biodegradable additives and it can take the heat, withstanding temperatures up to 95°C. Our Coffee Cup Lids and Cutlery are made from CPLA. And our Hot Cups are lined with a thin layer that makes them watertight. All PLA and CPLA products can be composted in large-scale composting facilities, while our Hot Cups can also be composted in well-managed home compost piles and worm farms.



SUGARCANE /BAGASSE

Bagasse is the fibre that remains when sugarcane is pressed for its sweet juice. It makes our fantastic Takeaway Containers, Plates and sugarcane Bowls. They are sturdy and strong with a paper-like texture. Use them for hot or cold food. Plus, they're microwave safe and freezer friendly. Bagasse is also a great tree-free source of paper and is the primary material in our eco Serviettes. Our sugarcane products look and feel natural because they are. They're easy to compost after use at home, or in larger facilities. And though we never want them to end up in rivers or oceans, it's good to know they can break down in waterways if they ever go astray.



WOOD

Wood is an incredible natural and sturdy material. We source wood products that are grown in sustainably managed forests which focus on forest conservation and the well-being of local communities as well as timber. Humans have an ancient connection to forests and have used forest materials for a very long time. We supply a wide selection of wooden Cutlery, Boats, Cones and Skewers made from Bamboo (the fastest growing woody plant), Beech and Pine. These stylish products are suitable for hot and cold foods and are naturally non-toxic.



WOOD FIBRE

Wood fibre is the source material for our paper and greaseproof paper products, including our popular Kraft Range and Hot Cups. We source recycled paper where possible, and choose products made from fibre from responsibly managed forests with Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) and Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) certification. Wood fibre products can be composted in home and large-scale compost facilities, and are recyclable too.

GREEN HOME

100% COMPOSTABLE
FOOD PACKAGING



ABOUT GREEN HOME

100% BIODEGRADABLE FOOD PACKAGING

Established in 2007, GREEN HOME is South Africa's first completely compostable food packaging company. Sustainability is our passion, our vision and our daily work.

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to make plant-based compostable packaging the norm. We're driven by the belief that if food packaging is necessary, it should be made from renewable resources and should only last as long as it's needed. We call this Big Picture packaging.

WHAT WE DO

We're here to supply you with an exciting and extensive range of eco friendly packaging while focusing on incredible service.

We have sales offices in Cape Town and Johannesburg and an online shop on our website. We deliver nationwide throughout South Africa, and beyond.

We always source the most sustainable packaging solutions we can find.

All our products are 100% compostable and renewable, and we ensure that materials are sustainably sourced and will break down into harmless natural compounds at end-of-life.

GREEN HOME is also actively engaged in the sustainable packaging conversation through our social media pages (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn), in our newsletters, and at live events.



WHAT SETS US APART?

COMPLETELY COMPOSTABLE

We only sell 100% compostable products made from 100% renewable, plant-based materials.

INDUSTRY PIONEER

GREEN HOME is South Africa's first compostable food packaging company and pioneered the introduction of bagasse and plant-based bioplastic products to the Southern African market.

CARBON NEUTRAL

We're proudly carbon neutral. We offset our emissions by supporting a low-carbon housing development in Kuyasa, one of the most vulnerable corners of Khayelitsha.

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

GREEN HOME initiated the building of South Africa's first township hemp house for Yiza Ekhaya Soup Kitchen. Yiza Ekhaya provides food, shelter and a safe space to 250 children in one of the poorest neighbourhoods in the country.

GENDER PIONEER

GREEN HOME is a 100% woman owned business. We have led the way in a male dominated packaging industry and continue to be a platform for training and empowering women in the workplace.

COMPOSTING PIONEER

GREEN HOME is a founder member of ORASA, the Organic Recycling Association of South Africa. ORASA's mission is to promote and expand South Africa's composting and organic recycling market. Together we're working towards zero organic waste to landfill.

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