Harvesting Compost

After digesting the organics in the bin, the worms will have created **castings**, which is the final product—compost!

There are several different ways to separate the worms from these castings.

### Food Relocation

This method takes about a month, and utilizes the worms natural inclination to migrate towards food. Move any un-composted scraps to one side of the bin. Add new food only towards this side. In about a month, the worms will have moved to the food side, leaving the finished compost behind for you to harvest.

### Hand Picking

If you only need a small amount of compost, hand picking works well. Gather the finished castings in your hand, and pick out any worms or uncomposted scraps.

### Relocation by Light

This harvesting method uses light to force the worms away from the finished castings. Gather your compost into small pyramids. Shine a bright light on to the top of the piles. The worms will burrow into the center, and you can harvest the top and sides.