

Compost as Horse Bedding

Have you considered using recycled organics as horse bedding? Cressfield Farm trialled recycled organic material as bedding during the 2020 weaning season.

Q What is it made of?

A A blend of recycled organics (composted garden organics) and woodchips made fit-for-purpose by Australian Native Landscapes (ANL).

Q How did it perform?

A The recycled organic material:

- Was easy to muck out;
- Was odour-free with no traces of lingering ammonia;
- Is not dusty – the material maintains particle size and sufficient moisture to avoid becoming dusty;
- Does not compact – the variation in particle size helps retain structure;
- Is highly absorbent without saturation; and
- Does not bank up the yard walls.

Q Does it stain?

A None of the horses involved in the trial showed signs of staining from the material.

Q Will it irritate horses?

A Horses showed no signs of irritation.

Q Is it easy to work with?

A YES! Liesl Baumann, Cressfield Farm Operations Manager, said "We were really pleasantly surprised, and quite happy to have it in our yards".

Q Does it look different to sawdust?

A The material trialled at Cressfield Farm was slightly darker than traditional sawdust. This might take a little getting used to, but did not change how well it performed.

WEBINAR

Compost Makes Great Bedding

Want to find out more?

MRA Consulting Group held a live, online webinar which is now available on YouTube!

The webinar includes:

- A detailed description of the trial and its **outcomes**;
- A **firsthand recount** from Cressfield Farm Operations Manager, Liesl Baumann; and
- A description of the **material** by Rob Niccol from ANL.

You can find the webinar [here](#).



Recycled Organic Material



Sawdust



Recycled organic material made fit for purpose by ANL to be used as horse bedding

Want to try some for yourself?

For more information about the Cressfield Farm trial and where to purchase recycled organic material, contact MRA Consulting Group.

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