

How And Why To Build Hugelkultur Raised Beds

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Hugelkultur raised beds are an excellent way to build large easy to manage raised beds and dispose of lots of garden waste and food. You effectively pile up garden waste, cuttings, branches, even logs! Add in your compostable kitchen waste and after you have a nice mound of waste, top off with some soil for planting your plants into.

As the garden/food waste breaks down beneath the soil, it attracts worms and the worms distribute the nutrients throughout the raised bed to feed the plants. You can build either smaller self-supporting Hugelkultur beds, or you can build full on vertical Hugelkultur beds supported by some reclaimed pallets (use heat treated pallets, not the chemically treated ones!). To find out more about the many benefit of Hugelkultur raised beds, head over to the 'Permaculture.co.uk' website and find out more on how and why to build one.

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