



1. Mulch leaves in place with your lawn mower to put valuable nutrients back into your soil.
2. Gather leaves and other “yard waste” into a compost pile, let overwinter and decompose, and then use as fertilizer next growing season.
3. Offer your leaves to a neighbor who may be able to use them for composting.
4. Check in with your city or town hall to find out how to properly dispose of leaves locally.

Did you know? The combination of rainfall with leaves on our driveways, sidewalks, streets, and parking lots can produce stormflows into local rivers, streams, and lakes that are loaded with nutrients. Proper use or disposal of leaves will help to avoid these contaminated flows.

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