

## COMPOSTING TOILETS

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### **Change the world from the bottom up!**

By using composting toilets, festivals make a clear statement that they have had enough of the ever dreaded port-a-loo. The days are over where you expect cramped stinking boxes or over flowing trucks. Now there is no need to use harmful chemicals to store or treat toilet waste.

At Peats Ridge Festival in 2006, half of our toilets will be composting toilets.

They are waterless and odour free and six months after the festival, the bi-product will be fantastic soil conditioner for our festival site.

Hamish Skermer from Natural Event is the man that's attempting to change the world from the bottom up!

He started his unique system of composting toilets at his own festival, Folk Rhythm & Life,

and now Falls Festival also use them. His composting toilets are the only choice for festivals, events and gatherings in nature, where nature calls.

## COMPOSTING TOILETS & THE ENVIRONMENT

In the natural world there is no such thing as 'waste'. All organisms degrade and have their intrinsic nutrients taken up by other life forms. Nature provides the ultimate example of recycling. Natural Event replicates the rain forest floor in recycling organic material and nutriBy combining human toilet deposits with a carbon based bulking material and oxygen, Natural Event creates an environment where a previous environmental and health issue becomes magnificent soil conditioner.

## COMPOSTING TOILET BLOCK COSTS

Natural Event can provide for any size need, from a single loo to enough to suit an army. The prices are about 20% more expensive than hiring in Port a Loos or semi trailer based systems. MATT CONFIRM.

## LOGISTICS

Natural Event offers complete hire of cubicles and urinals and can also tailor design a system to suit particular conditions and various site requirements. Natural Event can provide plans and designs for permanently installed systems offering absolute peace of mind to event managers who are clear that their event will continue at the same site.

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