

Marin County Suggested Foodware and Foodware Accessory Materials Alternatives

1. Reusable foodware is always the **best** option.
2. Avoid Plastic, PLA (Compostable Plastics), Styrofoam/EPS.
3. All compostable foodware should be fiber-based and Biodegradable Products Institute (BPI) Certified to ensure it can be composted locally.
4. Approximate costs do not take into account savings due to reductions from reusable products.

Disposable Foodware Type	Type	Recommended Materials	Recommended Material Types	Approximate Cost per Unit*
Cold Cup	Foodware	BPI Certified Fiber Based	Reusable Paper	\$0.07
Hot Cup	Foodware	BPI Certified Fiber Based	<i>This item is not readily available on the market. Please dispose of in the garbage. Reusable options are available.</i>	N/A
Cup Lids	Foodware	BPI Certified Fiber Based	<i>Cold cup lids are not readily available on the market. Please dispose of in the garbage. Reusable options are available.</i>	\$0.08
Plate	Foodware	BPI Certified Fiber Based	Reusable Paper Sugarcane Fiber Bamboo Wheat Straw Palm Leaf	\$0.05
Bowl	Foodware	BPI Certified Fiber Based	Reusable Paper Sugarcane Fiber Bamboo Wheat Straw Palm Leaf	\$0.09
To-Go Container	Foodware	BPI Certified Fiber Based	Reusable Paper Wheat	\$0.20
Clamshell/Hinged To-Go Container	Foodware	BPI Certified Fiber Based	Reusable Paper Wheat	\$0.18
Food Trays	Foodware	BPI Certified Fiber Based	Reusable Paper Wood	\$0.33
Utensil (Fork, Spoon, Knife)	Foodware Accessory	Fiber Based	Reusable Wood Bamboo	\$0.04
Chopsticks	Foodware Accessory	Fiber Based	Reusable Wood Bamboo	\$0.02

Disposable Foodware Type	Type	Recommended Materials	Recommended Material Types	Approximate Cost per Unit*
Napkin	Foodware Accessory	Fiber Based	Reusable Paper	\$0.01
Cup Sleeve	Foodware Accessory	Fiber Based	Reusable Paper	\$0.03
Beverage Trays	Foodware Accessory	Fiber Based	Reusable Paper Bamboo Wood	\$0.10
Condiment Containers and Lids	Foodware Accessory	Fiber Based	Reusable Paper	\$0.04
Straw	Foodware Accessory	Fiber Based	Reusable Paper Bamboo Hay Wheat	\$0.00
Stirrer	Foodware Accessory	Fiber Based	Reusable Wood	\$0.00
Plate Liners	Foodware Accessory	Fiber Based	Reusable Paper	\$0.01
Splash Sticks	Foodware Accessory	Fiber Based	Reusable Wood Bamboo	\$0.00
Cocktail Sticks	Foodware Accessory	Fiber Based	Reusable Wood Bamboo	\$0.00
Toothpicks	Foodware Accessory	Fiber Based	Reusable Wood Bamboo	\$0.00
Food Wrappers	Foodware Accessory	Fiber Based	Reusable Paper Foil	\$0.01
Pizza Box	Foodware Accessory	Fiber Based	Reusable Paper/Kraft	\$0.22
Bag	Foodware Accessory	Fiber Based	Reusable Paper	\$0.05

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All Foodware should be certified by BPI for all products to be PFAS-free. Remember to look for key words such as "fiber based", "unlined", and/or one of the Example Recommended Material Types. Avoid "PLA", "Compostable Plastic", and "Plastic-lined" products.

<https://products.bpiworld.org/>

Foodware Accessories

For Foodware Accessories, a list of potential vendors is provided below. This list is meant to be used as an informational tool and is not an endorsement for any company nor is exhaustive. Remember to look for key words such as "fiber based" and/or one of the Example Recommended Material Types. Avoid "PLA", "Compostable Plastic", and "Plastic-lined" products.

Alliance	www.allpfs.com
Aardvark Straws	www.aardvarkstraws.com
Bambu	www.bambuhome.com
BioGreenChoice	https://www.biogreenchoice.com
BioMass Packaging	www.biomasspackagingstore.com
Birchware	www.birchware.com
Bridge-Gate	www.bridge-gate.com
Chinet Eco-Friendly	www.mychinet.com
CiboWares	www.cibowares.com
Dixie	https://www.dixiefoodservice.com/gp/dixie/USD/
e2e FoodPack	https://www.yeseco.com/
Earth Smart Store	www.earthsmartpd.com
Eco-Gecko Products Inc.	http://www.eco-gecko.com
Eco Products	www.ecoproductsstore.com
Ecoware Inc.	http://www.ecowareproducts.com
First Choice Ware	www.firstchoiceware.com
Frozen Dessert Supplies	https://www.frozendessertsupplies.com
G2 by Chefs Choice	www.g2bychefschoice.com
Genpak (Harvest Paper)	www.genpak.com
Green Paper Products	www.greenpaperproducts.com
Leafware	www.leafware.com
McNair Packaging	https://www.mcnairpackaging.com
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