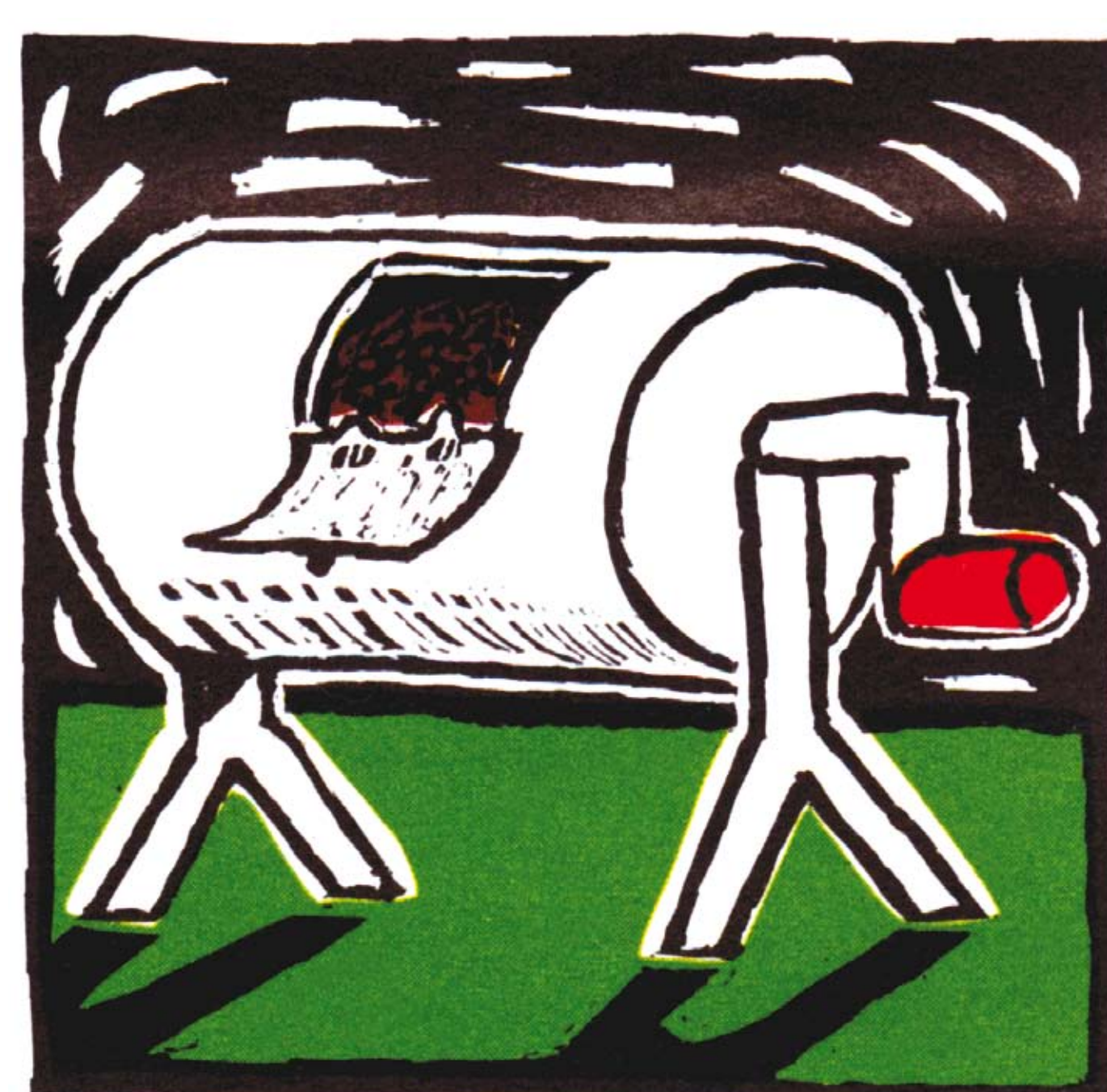


FABULOUS COMPOST

What to put it in:



Compost Bins



Compost Barrels



Enclosures



Compost Heaps

It's important to have more Carbon (BROWNS) in your compost than Nitrogen (GREENS), about 10 parts Carbon to 1 Part Nitrogen is ideal. Build heap in thin layers, alternating "GREENS" and "BROWNS" layers. Use lots of different materials.

1 part Nitrogen (GREENS)
vegetable scraps
fruit peelings
fresh lawn clippings
farm manure
garden weeds
seaweed

10 parts Carbon (BROWNS)
dry leaves
twiggy prunings
sawdust
paper
straw and dry grass
wood ash

Nutrients:

An ideal mix is about 10 parts carbon to 1 part nitrogen.

Air:

Is essential - after 2 weeks or so, re-aerate the soil by turning it over.

Micro-Organisms:

Are compost activators - scatter a spade full of soil through the raw materials or add old compost to the new heap.

Time:

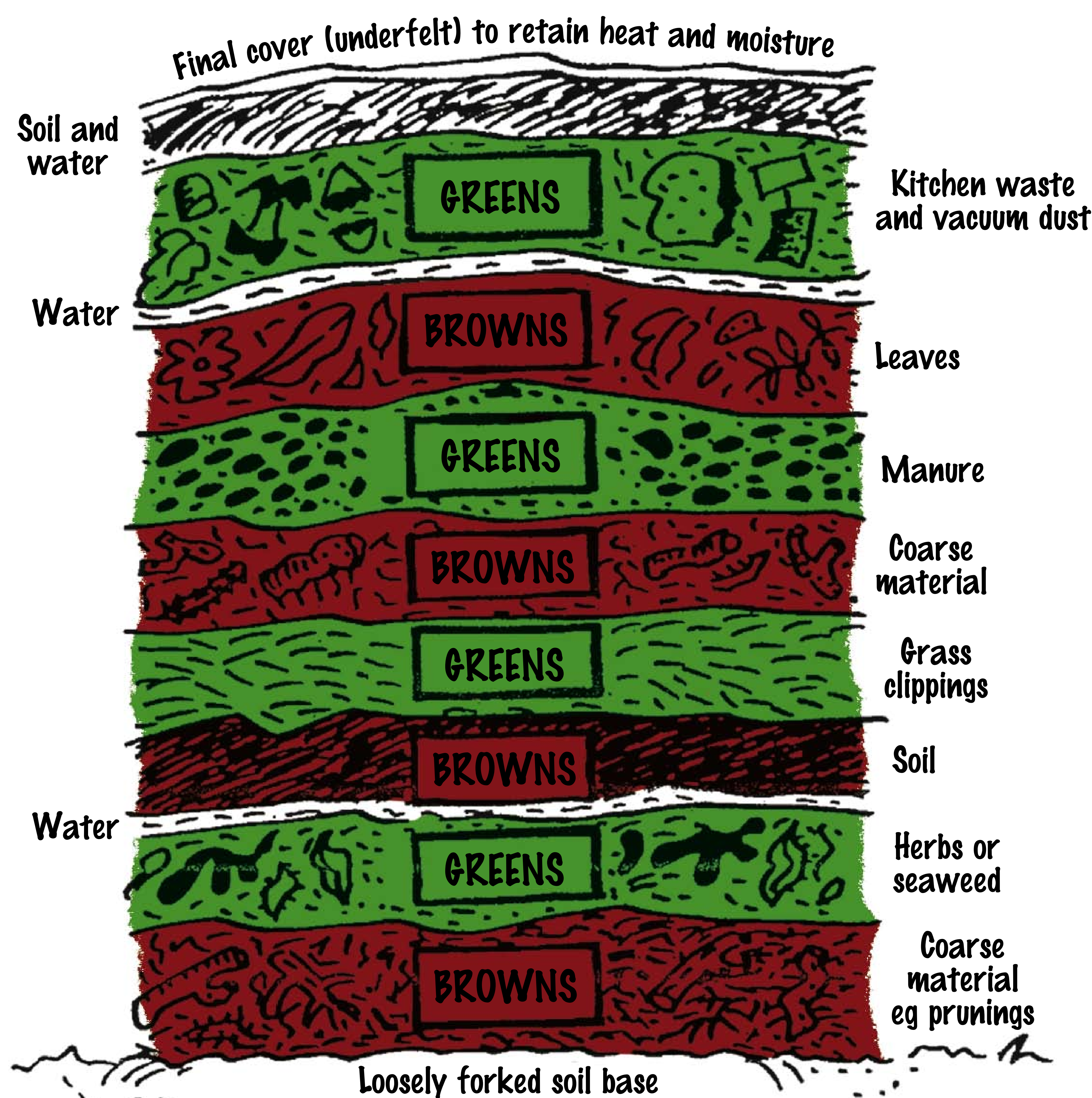
Rapid and successful composting means building a heap of at least one cubic metre. The decay process may take as little as 8-10 weeks.

Water:

But not too much - the heap should be kept damp rather than wet.

Ready:

When dark brown and crumbly with an earthy smell.



How to use it:



As a mulch on the soil surface



Dug in and mixed with the soil



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