ROADRÛNNER" CARDBOARD RECYCLING 101

CARDBOARD FACTS



ONE TON OF RECYCLED CARDBOARD SAVES 46 GALLONS OF OIL



APPROXIMATELY 100 BILLION CARDBOARD BOXES ARE PRODUCED EACH YEAR IN THE UNITED STATES



ONE TON OF RECYCLED CARDBOARD SAVES 9 CUBIC YARDS OF LANDFILL SPACE



RECYCLING CARDBOARD ONLY TAKES 75% OF THE ENERGY REQUIREDTO MAKE NEW CARDBOARD

WHAT IS A MRF?

A materials recovery facility, or MRF (pronounced like 'murph'), receives, separates, and prepares recyclables to be sold to an end buyer. A MRF uses a combination of equipment, machines, and manual labor to separate and prepare the materials.



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PROCESSING



CARDBOARD

CARDBOARD RECYCLING PROCESS

RECYCLED CARDBOARD

is typically used to create new cardboard, paperboard, and paper bags. Cardboard boxes can go through this process 5-7 times before loss of quality!



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PRO TIP: CARDBOARD

should be broken down to save space in the recycling cart.

THE BROKEN DOWN

cardboard is picked up and transfered to the nearest recycling facility.

ONCE THE CARDBOARD

arrives at the recycling facility, it's sorted, shredded, pulped, filtered, and then enters the finishing stage to form new cardboard.

WHAT HAPPENS TO RECYCLED CARDBOARD?







Cardboard is typically recycled into new cardboard, paperboard and paper bags.



By giving new life to your cardboard, it will save energy, decrease waste and put use to material that would otherwise have been sent to landfill.