

A WORD ABOUT PACKAGING

We want you to enjoy your Cookaway without having to worry about the impact of our packaging on the environment.

Our tenacious team has dedicated countless hours to researching and testing packaging that gets your food to you in tip top condition without sacrificing the environment along the way. We are always on the lookout for ways to make our packaging more sustainable, and we're excited about innovative improvements that are being tested right now. We'll introduce them to you just as soon as we can.

Rest assured we are on the case and we're not giving up.

HOW ARE WE DOING TODAY?



100% Recyclable

Nothing destined for landfill

All our packaging is recyclable through widely available local council facilities. We don't use any non-recyclable plastics or alternatives such as starch derived PLA (Polylactic Acid) that claim to be compostable, but for which the infrastructure does not currently exist in the UK.



95% Natural &
Renewable

Kinder to the environment

On average across all our products, 95% of our packaging is made from natural and renewable resources. 52% is paper-based, 38% glass and 5 % metal.



0% Composite Plastics

Easier to recycle

Only 5% of our packaging is plastic and we don't use any composite plastics, which means our plastic pots and other items packaged by our suppliers are easy to recycle with your household collection.

HOW TO RECYCLE OUR PACKAGING

PAPER & CARD

Cardboard boxes	Flatten and recycle, or keep for handy storage in your garage or loft.
Kraft paper bags	Reuse for packed lunches or recycle.
Recipe cards	Keep for reference or recycle.
Window bags	Put in your recycling bin, including film which gets separated in the recycling process.
Labels	Labels are paper and can go in your recycling bin.

GLASS

Glass jars & bottles	Wash and reuse or recycle. Lids are aluminium or steel so can be recycled too.
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METAL

Cool pouch	Our clever bubble pouches are FDA approved and made with recycled aluminium and plastic, so they can be fully recycled (check with your council if they can go in the household collection). We have chosen this type of pouch not just because it is the most efficient on the market for keeping your food cold, but because they use less energy and materials to produce and less space and weight in shipping than alternatives.
Caps and lids on bottles and jars	Wash and recycle.

OTHER PACKAGING

Chilled gel packs	Our ice packs are filled with a water-based coolant that is non-toxic and food safe. Refreeze and reuse for picnics or lunch boxes, or as an ice-pack for bumps and sprains. To recycle, snip the pack open and put the gel into the soil around your plants to help them retain water. The plastic outer film can then be recycled.
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Please note:

The percentages shown above are calculated across our whole product range, so don't worry if your Cookaway box seems to contain more or less of some packaging types.

Our packaging has been designed using materials that are widely recyclable across the UK. However, recycling facilities do vary so please check with your local council if you are at all unsure. If your council is unable to recycle any of our packaging, we'd love to know about it.

If you have any further questions or suggestions for how we can improve our packaging, please drop us an email at hello@thecookaway.com.