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Product review: BioBag biodegradable and compostable trash bags

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After a few summers on the New Jersey Shore I've just about had it with plastic bags (balloons too, but that's another post). We only spend a week there each summer and you just never know what the tide will bring in each day.

One year we'll have clean, beautiful beaches, and the next year we'll have several days where we hit the beach for an early morning walk (before the clean up machines have come) and the sand will be littered with plastic bags - shopping, trash, and otherwise.

Replace your plastic trash bags with BioBag

It's easy enough these days to replace plastic shopping bags. But have you tried to stop buying plastic trash bags? Eco-friendly trash bags are either difficult to find (in stores anyway) or are priced too high. Plus, in the past, the biodegradable bags I bought were so thin they never held up to our trash.

The other day I was out shopping and decided to give BioBag another try. BioBag trashbags are biodegradable and compostable. Made from corn sourced from countries that do not allow GMO testing, BioBags cost about \$4 a box for 12 huge bags. I've been using these and I can cram a lot into them. In addition, they are thin, yet sturdy. This means I'm not just cramming in soft tissues, I'm packing them with sharp edged items and the bags are not tearing. These are some lean, green, trash packing machines!



The only problem is that I'm now analyzing everything I throw away. It's no good to have a biodegradable bag if the trash inside won't decompose. Or maybe, that's the point? I find myself using the second R, "Reuse," more often. Just yesterday I was throwing out some stale Easter candy and realized the bunnies came in these cute plastic boxes – ones that will never break down. So, I tore off the ribbon and the label and will keep them to make cute paper mache boxes this summer.

I found BioBags at my local Whole Foods and online. I'd love to know if you've found an eco-friendly trash bag that you love?

Janine Nickel (@Twincident on Twitter) documents her neuroses raising twin girls and offers product reviews and giveaways at TwofersMom.com.

Disclosure: I purchased the BioBags myself and all opinions expressed here are my own. This

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