

	VERTERRA	BAMBOO
BIODEGRADABLE	Naturally biodegrades in fewer than 2 months after disposal.	Biodegrades in 4-6 months after disposal. There are NO biodegradation facilities in the US, so these products go to a landfill.
COMPOSTABLE	BPI-certified 100% compostable. Will break down within 60 days and acts as a fertilizer for better plant growth.	Bamboo is not compostable, so it ends up in landfill after use.
RENEWABLE SOURCE	Made only of fallen palm leaves that are gathered, cleaned, and pressed.	Made from bamboo plants that are cut down for the purpose of making plates.
HOT FOODS	No heat transference. Maintains shape.	Have been reported to deform the product and melt the laminate.
HOT LIQUIDS	No heat transference. Maintains shape.	Often deforms quickly and loses rigidity.
SUN RESISTANCE	The sun has no affect on VerTerra.	The sun has no affect on bamboo.
MICROWAVABLE	Can be used to reheat foods in the microwave on High up to 2 minutes.	Not safe for microwave use. The laminate could dissolve into the food.
OVEN SAFE	Can be used to cook food in the oven up to 350 degrees, for up to 45 minutes.	Not oven safe.