

# Tree of Memories



## *Frequently Asked Questions*





# MEET THE INNOVATORS

Bios Urn is a company driven by **Gerard** and **Roger Moliné**, two brothers that believes design, in conjunction with nature, has the ability to change the world. Supported by more than 15 years of natural projects, Bios offers a smart, sustainable and eco-friendly solution to approach an inevitable phase of human life.

Bios aims to change the way people see death, converting the “end of life” into a transformative process and promoting a return to life through nature.

Behind the company lies a two-man studio that seek to explore and improve human’s habits through a constant dialogue with nature. Roger and Gerard Moliné have demonstrated this particular point of view in Naturalment – Thinking Nature. Naturalment is an art exhibition that explores natural materials, shapes and processes to understand the inner logic and workings of nature. The same logic that can then be applied to products and humans habits. Read more about naturalment.

# MEET THE PRODUCT



The urn is 16cm x 16cm x 32cm and weighs 850 grams without the growth medium.

## What's in the box?

The urn is made in two sections.

The top section contains a degradable bag of premium grow medium. It is sealed with a tear-away paper cover. The base section is for the ashes.

The two section fit snugly together

Instructions are also included inside the box

# THE FREQUENT QUESTIONS

## Q: What is the purpose of Bios Urn?

The intent of Bios Urn is to offer individuals an alternative for remembering deceased persons and pets in a natural, sustainable fashion, thereby turning the process of death into regeneration and a return to life through nature.

Our company objective is none other than to offer an economic, ecological and sustainable product that falls in line with our own philosophy.

## Q: Why use Bios Urn?

It is innovative. It demonstrates the possibilities for invention have by no means been exhausted. Creativity can provide real solutions to current problems.

It is useful. Thanks to its creative process, Bios Urn becomes something necessary to achieve proper growth from ashes.

It is aesthetic. It is a simple, kind object, designed for our well-being. It is understandable. Its shape describes its function.

It is self-explanatory.

It is discrete. Bios Urn leaves no trace of identification that it has been used. It is completely biodegradable.

It is honest. It is a product with a very specific role that does not intend to be more innovative or valuable than it truly is.

It is long-lasting and independent. Thanks to



Its manufacturing process, Urna Bios does not "expire", and as such, its use is not bound by any specific period, epoch or place. Its design is democratic. Its price is reasonable and allows for total compatibility in logistics processes and commercial distribution.

It is sustainable. Both the product and its function imply an environmental, social and economic improvement for a growing problem, overpopulation and metropolis growth.

It is simple. Less, can be better.

## Q: How to plant a Bios Urn?

The Bios Urn is really simple to use. The urn is divided into two separate capsules: the upper capsule is a sealed unit to ensure the good condition of the premium grow medium; and the lower capsule is where you will store the ashes. You, or the crematorium just need to fill the lower cone of the urn with the remains. Then close it with the top capsule.

Before you bury the urn, select a suitable seedling from your local garden centre this provides you with the opportunity to make a more personal selection, and have a plant type that is both suitable and pre-hardened to your location. Keeping both sections of the urn together, remove the tear-away paper seal from the top capsule. Empty the bag of grow medium into the top capsule, and add some soil from the burial site to it, mixing them together. Loosen the seedling roots gently and plant the seedling into the capsule. The entire urn can now be buried into a suitably dug hole. Bury the urn approx. 3-5 cm under the surface so the entire urn can bio-degrade. It is now ready to water in and take care of.

Simply plant your urn where you want your tree to grow and take care of it. Always plant all of the urn, which is 100% biodegradable and won't damage the soil. You can plant your Bios Urn using a seed or a young sprout. The Bios Urn should be planted about 3-5 cm from the soil surface. Once planted, make sure the seed has the appropriate water and humidity levels.

## What care does Bios Urn require?

Bios Urn requires much the same care as a normal tree: water, sunlight and good temperature. As such, in order to ensure proper growth, a site with proper soil humidity, an appropriate temperature and few hours of sunlight must be selected. If the process requires too much care on the part of the user, a good option is to use a sprout or seedling in place of a seed during the planting process.

## Does the Bios Urn have expiration date?

Bios Urn does not have an expiration date. Thanks to the materials used to create the Bios Urn, you can keep the urn indefinitely. To favour its preservation, we recommend keeping the product in a dry place away from extreme heat. If you don't plan on using your urn anytime soon, we recommend getting a Bios Urn without seed. You can add your preferred seed at the moment of planting.

## Can I use a Bios Urn with old ash?

Bios Urn can be used with ash saved from another urn. As such, if you already have the ash in your house, you may purchase the urn and transfer the ashes into it. You can also bring the Bios Urn to a crematorium or funeral home so they can handle the transfer of ash.

## What is the capacity of the Bios Urn?

The Bios Urn has been designed to hold all the ashes that result from the process of cremation. The capacity of the urn is 5.8lbs, or 2.5 Litres. Nonetheless, it can be used with a smaller amount just in case a symbolic portion is being saved.

## Can I use only a small amount of ash?

Yes, the Bios Urn works with any amount of ash. You can use all of the ash, or just a small portion. Everything will eventually biodegrade and become part of the subsoil.

## What is the price of the Bios Urn?

The Bios Urn is \$189



## Does the Bios Urn consist of any materials that should not be buried in the soil?

No, the Bios Urn is 100% biodegradable, and made with no chemicals, preservatives, or additives.

## Is it legal to bury the Urn anywhere?

Please check with local authorities, but typically the urn can be planted wherever it is legal to plant a tree, including your backyard. We generally recommend natural environments, like gardens, backyards, or forests.

## **Are there burial sites/ cemeteries offering this option?**

You would need to investigate this for yourself. The urn does not necessarily need to be in a burial site or cemetery. Many have made arrangements with divisions of parks and forests to have trees planted along trails or in parks where trees are protected.

This really depends on your municipal, state or provincial government.



## **Are traditional cemeteries willing to bury this type of urn?**

More traditional cemeteries are offering it as an option, however you need inquire with the cemetery that you want to use.

## **Do you have a version available for pets?**

Yes. Currently, the Bios Urn is manufactured for both people and for pets. It is essentially the same product and universal, in the sense that it has the same shape, colour and price. The only difference is packaging and labelling, to aid in identifying the product.

## **BIOS URN**

**Turning cemeteries  
into forests**

**Providing more  
lungs for the planet  
and future  
generations**

**Greening the earth**

## Can I use a seedling instead of a seed?

Yes, we recommend this in Australia.

## Can I plant a flower, a plant, or a bush instead of a tree?

Absolutely, the choice is yours.

## Can I use a pot to grow the seed?

Yes, you can plant the urn in a pot with enough capacity to bury the urn and then transplant it to its final location. Therefore, we have created the Bios Incube, the first system that lets you plant your Bios Urn close to you, and combines the insights of tree growth with data from its environment.

Depending on the type of tree, The Bios Incube will water it accordingly. You can get more information on our website:

[https:// urnabios.com/incube/](https://urnabios.com/incube/)

## How long does shipping take?

Shipping generally takes between 5-7 business days. Some shipments may take longer to your destination if there are delays in customs which are out of our control. We offer standard shipping (expedited service is not available at this time.)

## What is the size of the urn?

The box size is 16x16x32 cm. and weight 0.85 Kg.





