

Conserving Biodiversity



Mostly local native trees planted in the garden?.....

Cane toads regularly removed from yard?.....

Environmental weeds removed from the garden?.....

Wooden products come from sustainable and ethical sources?....

Cat has a bell & is kept indoors at night?.....

Dog is kept on a leash when exercising?.....

Active member in a local environment or community group?

Use of garden pesticides avoided?..

More information

For details on why these

Green Living Ideas

are important and how to go about implementing them **visit:**

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"It's the everyday living things you do that can make a big difference to our environment."

Other Brochures in this Series:

- Water Wise Showers
- Household Recycling Guide
- Household Composting Guide
- Rainwater Tanks
- The "Big 3" for Green Living

All of these & more can be found at

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Green Living Checklist



Green Living Ideas

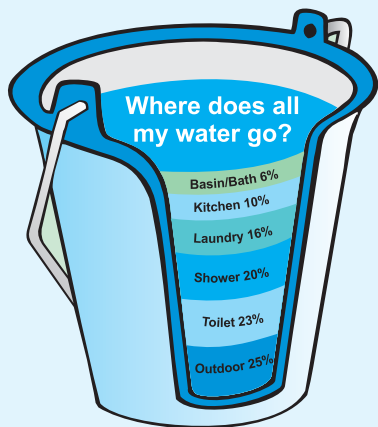
How many of these are you and your family already doing?



Saving Water



- ★★★ Rated showers installed?.....
- Dual flush or cistern weight in toilet?
- <5 minutes spent in the shower?.....
- Aerators installed on taps?.....
- Leaking taps fixed?
- Mostly native plants in the garden?...
- Washing machines used only when fully loaded?.....
- Trigger nozzles on all garden hoses?..
- Thick mulch on the garden?.....
- Garden and lawn watered in the evening & only when necessary?.....
- Rainwater tank installed?.....



Reducing Waste & Pollution



- Waste cooking oil stored in a glass jar and binned when full?
- Bottles, cans & paper recycled?.....
- Sink strainer used to keep food particles out of the drain?.....
- 'Green' bags used when shopping?.....
- Organic waste composted?.....
- Is GreenPower electricity used in the home?.....
- Reusable or recycled products purchased when shopping?.....
- 'No Junk Mail' sign on the letter box?..
- Products with excessive packaging avoided?.....
- Car washed on the lawn, not in the driveway?.....
- Biodegradable detergents used at home?.....
- Organic fertilizers used in the garden?.....
- Efforts made to reduce short trips in the car?
- I regularly pick up others litter?.....

Saving Energy



- Appliances switched off when not in use to reduce standby power consumption?
- Compact fluorescent light globes installed?
- Warm clothing worn before turning on the heater?
- Energy and water efficient white goods sought out when replacing old fridges / washing machines etc?
- Ceiling insulation installed?.....
- Solar hot water system installed?....
- Cold water used for washing clothes?.....

Did you know...

Stand by power accounts for nearly 12% of the average households electricity bill. **Switch it off & save \$\$.**

