

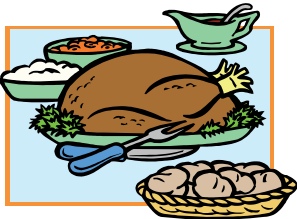


ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS

GreenTip: 10 Helpful Tips for the Holidays!!!

1. Use Eco Friendly Candles: We all know we'll be burning those holiday candles. Buy beeswax or soy candles. Conventional candles can contain many toxins and chemicals that cause pollution. When you are picking your pumpkin spice candle up off the shelf, check and make sure you are purchasing eco friendly candles.

4. Limit Food Waste: It is important for the winter holidays when we're all sitting down to huge plates of food to remember to compost those leftovers!



6. Electronic Christmas Cards:

We all love receiving those beautiful gold-leaf holiday cards. However, the internet can be used for reducing paper waste and the carbon miles of mail delivery during the holidays by sending an electronic holiday card.

8. Play Outside and Enjoy Your Environment:

Peace and Joy on Earth means that we should take a moment to enjoy the Earth and remember what it is we are trying to save. Yes, even if it's cold, take some time on each day of the holiday to go outside and really enjoy the trees, the snow, or even the sunshine.

2. Pay Attention to Your Holiday Lights:

Firstly, what you should be asking for in your stocking are solar-powered or LED holiday lights to use next year (if you're not using them already). That lit up tree looks beautiful from the window, but you should limit the amount of time your lights are on during the day.

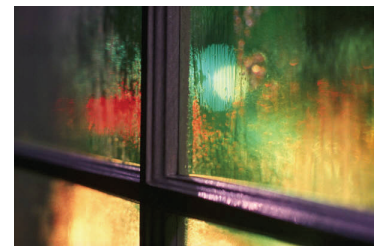
5. Upcycle and Recycle Gifts: This may not be appropriate for everybody. However, in situations where you can, upcycle and recycle gift items. When you can't do that, consider limiting yourself to buying fairtrade items or eco friendly holiday gifts.

7. Say No to Unneeded Decorations: By this we largely mean huge, inflatable, light up plastic fixtures in your yard. You should enjoy the holiday season, and if for you that means new decorations, you should participate. Please remember to do it with thought in mind regarding the impact it will have on our environment.

9. Holiday Sales are Not a Mandate: Don't buy more just because the prices are cheaper. Only buy what it is that you really, truly need. Don't use sales as an excuse to add to landfill problems with unnecessary purchases.

3. Speaking of Lights, Unplug Them:

Even if your holiday lights come with an on/off switch, unplug them when they're not on. When lights are left on and plugged in, they continue to draw resources.



10. Use a Real Tree! It may in fact seem as though cutting down a tree just for the holiday is not environmentally friendly. In fact, that's untrue. Christmas tree farms are important to the environment, and so supporting the business of Christmas tree farms is important to our future!



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