

Start Helping the Environment from Your Own Backyard

With water restrictions in place throughout much of Australia and a global focus on helping save the environment, Adbri Masonry has offered the following tips to help reduce your carbon footprint:

Watering

In helping to minimise evaporation, water plants in the mornings or late afternoons. In addition water only the roots of plants, showering the leaves should be avoided.

Paved Areas

Get rid of perpetually thirsty lawn grass and impermeable concrete slabs that limit drainage and pave with large format pavers like Adbri Masonry's Euro Pavers spaced with pebbles or mondo grass to allow water to run off back into the surrounding soil.

Lawn

Mow high and leave mulched clippings on the lawn to reduce evaporation.

Veggie Patch

Growing the required quantity of vegetables for the family's weekly use is an ideal way to reduce the carbon footprint and these vegetables always taste better.

Grey Water

Using a flexible hose, divert wastewater from the bath, shower, washbasin and laundry for outdoor use on gardens and lawns.

Plant a Tree

Plant a shade tree in the backyard to provide shade and protection. To find out what trees are suitable in size and species for the specific area, people can visit their local council website.

Irrigation

Keep all irrigation systems running efficiently by checking for leaks, cracked pipes and hoses, or blocked sprinklers.

Patios & Driveways

Use a broom, brush or rake to sweep and clean outdoor paths and paving instead of hosing down with water.

Pools

Fit a pool cover to reduce evaporation by up to 97%. Install a new water-saving pool filter and keep the pool's chemical balances right, reducing the costs of chemical costs.

Rainwater tanks

Install a rainwater tank to reduce potable/tap water usage. Great in every Australian household!

Compost

A compost bin or worm farm is a must in the sustainable garden. Throw all household plant and vegetable scraps into the bin and use the mineral-rich mulch on the garden and save on fertilizers.

Enjoy

Reap the bounty of your labour and spend more family time outside in your new environmentally friendly backyard.

