

GREEN BUILDING RESOURCES

NOTE: This list is just a sampler to help you launch your journey into green building and lifestyle choices in harmony with ecological sustainability principles. There are ever-growing numbers of companies and websites in every category for the keen researchers among you. Enjoy!

READING

Good websites for buying books, new & used:

<http://www.abebooks.com>

<http://www.amazon.com>

<http://www.biblio.com>

BOOKS

"Sustainable Living For Dummies" - Michael Grosvenor. Published by John Wiley & Sons

"Your Home: Technical Manual"
Australia's Guide To Environmentally Sustainable Homes. Published by Commonwealth of Australia

"Designing A Green Interior Environment" - Penny Bonda. Published by John Wiley & Sons

"Biomimicry" - Janine Benyus. Published by William Morrow and Co. Inc

"Natural Capitalism" - Paul Hawken, Amory Lovins & L. Hunter Lovins. Published by Back Bay Books

"Green Guide For Health Care: Best Practice In Creating High Performance Healing Environments"
<http://www.gghc.org/about.cfm>

"Greed To Green" - David Gottfried

<http://www.greedtogreen.com/>

"Nuclear Power Is Not The Answer" - Helen Caldicott. Published by The New Press 2006

"Australian Solar Houses" - Matthew Parnell and Gareth Cole. Published by Second Back Row Press 1983

Also look over the Building Bookshop:

http://www.buildingbookshop.com/store/comersus_listCategoriesAndProducts.asp?idCategory=689

Choose the links to book lists about Green Home Building and Sustainable Architecture

MAGAZINES:

"G: The Green Lifestyle Magazine"

<http://www.gmagazine.com.au>

"Renew: Technology For A Sustainable Future"

<http://www.ata.org.au/publications/renew>

"Organic Gardener"

http://www.abc.net.au/gardening/features/organic_gardener.htm

"Sanctuary: Sustainable Living With Style"

http://www.ata.org.au/?page_id=46

"Residential Developer"

<http://www.propertyoz.com.au/qld/RDC/Newsletter/RESDEVELOPERGREENISSUE/Green%20Issue.htm>

"Business Week" 29 Jan 2007 - "Imagine a world...."

Qantas In-flight magazine Feb 2007

<http://www.qantas.com.au/info/flying/inTheAir/australianWay>

WEBSITES: EDUCATION AND INFORMATION

Green Building Council of Australia:

<http://www.gbcaus.org>

Works with large property developers, financiers, engineering and architectural firms, etc. to educate, advise upon and rate green building projects. Learn about the Australian Green Star ratings system, events, etc.

Healthy Building Network:

<http://www.healthybuilding.net>

Information on healthy, environmentally friendly and social justice issues in the building industry

Building Green:

Based in USA - uses LEED system of ratings)

<http://www.buildinggreen.com>

Info, resources and book reviews

Healthy House Institute:

<http://www.healthyhouseinstitute.com>

Resources for all aspects of healthy buildings

Eartheasy (based in USA):

http://eartheasy.com/live_nontoxic_paints.htm

Good info on types of healthy paints

Alternate Technology Association:

<http://www.ata.org.au>

Department of Environment & Climate Change (NSW):

<http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/index.htm>

Water- and energy-saving and sustainability

Environmental Choice Certification:

<http://www.aela.org.au>

Lists products that have been certified

Zero Footprint:

<http://www.zerofootprint.net>

Global information, products and services

Seventh Generation:

<http://www.seventhgen.com>

Products only in USA but some good education

Smorgasbord of energy information:

<http://www.design-navigator.co.nz/OtherLinks.html>

Australia & New Zealand Solar Energy Society:

<http://www.anzsos.org>

Queensland Govt programs:

<http://www.build.qld.gov.au/smart%5Fhousing>

<http://www.sustainable-homes.org.au>

WEBSITES: ONLINE ECO-STORES

Great outlets for a wide range of environmentally friendly, ingenious and energy-saving products ranging from building supplies, furnishings and appliances to leisure and lifestyle:

<http://www.australianecoshop.com.au>

<http://ecologicalhomes.com.au>

<http://www.greenpagesaustralia.com.au>

<http://www.neco.com.au>

<http://www.thegreendirectory.com.au>

<http://www.rpc.com.au>

<http://www.thenaturalpaintplace.com.au>

<http://www.enviroshopping.com>

<http://www.ecoathome.com.au>

<http://www.eco-web.com>

<http://www.styleplantation.com>

WEBSITES: PRODUCT CATEGORIES

(See also ONLINE ECO-STORES above for sites which supply a broad range of products and services)

ETHICAL INVESTMENT AND FINANCE

<http://www.austethical.com.au>

<http://www.ethicalinvestments.com.au>

BUILDING, DESIGN & ASSESSMENT

Association of Building Sustainability Assessors:

<http://www.absa.net.au>

Royal Australian Institute of Architects:

<http://www.architecture.com.au/i-cms?page=3939>

Search for Solar/ESD architect in your area.

Sunpower Design:

<http://www.sunpowerdesign.com.au>

Lovely green-designed houses

Solar Dwellings (WA):

<http://www.solardwellings.com.au>

Passive solar house design

Summerland Building Design:

<http://www.summerlandbd.com.au>

Energy smart house design

Your Abode:

<http://www.yourabode.com.au>

Building Design Association of NSW:

http://www.bdansw.com.au/page/esd_policy.html

Housing Industry Association - Green Smart:

<http://hia.com.au/hia/channel/Builder/region/National/classification/Greensmart.aspx>

Built Environment Design Professions:

<http://www.bdp.asn.au>

Pharos Project:

www.pharosproject.net

Guide to assessing and selecting materials for health, ecological sustainability and social justice

ECO REAL ESTATE

<http://www.eco.com.au>

BUILDING MATERIALS SUPPLIES

ROOFING:

<http://www.atlantisenergy.org>

Roof tiles and glass which are also photovoltaic solar collectors

TIMBER & FLOORING:

<http://www.thebigredshed.com.au>

Recycled and reclaimed heritage timber

<http://www.styleplantation.com>

Bamboo options etc

DOORS & WINDOWS:

<http://www.atlantisenergy.org>

Roof tiles and glass which are also photovoltaic solar collectors

<http://www.paarhammer.com.au>

Energy saving doors and windows

<http://www.bradnams.com.au/index.asp>

PAINTS & TIMBER TREATMENTS:

<http://www.designerpaintco.com>

<http://www.naturalpaint.com.au>

<http://www.naturecoverpaints.com.au>

<http://www.thenaturalpaintplace.com.au>

<http://www.bioproducts.com.au>

<http://www.cooeeproducts.com.au>

(All Cooee products contain termite treatment)

<http://www.livos.com.au>

<http://www.house-paint.com.au>

<http://www.greenpainters.com.au>

PEST CONTROL:

<http://www.cooeeproducts.com.au>

<http://www.granitgard.com.au>

LIGHTING:

<http://www.iaqconsulting.net>

LED and LCD

INSULATION & WINDOW COVERINGS:

<http://www.ecopink.com.au>

<http://www.styleplantation.com>

<http://www.air-cell.com.au>

<http://www.reflectiveblinds.com.au>

<http://www.helioscreen.com.au>

HEATING, COOLING, VENTILATION:

<http://www.advantec.com.au>

<http://www.alternatefuels.com.au>

AIR:

<http://www.iaqconsulting.net>

<http://www.advantec.com.au>

http://www.nipa.asn.au/fact_sheets.htm

TOILETS, SEWERAGE & GREY WATER SYSTEMS:

<http://www.aquareviva.com.au>

<http://www.envirolet.com>

<http://www.australianecoshop.com.au/composttoilets.htm>

<http://www.foodforest.com.au/compostingToiletAndReedbedSystems.htm>

<http://www.greywater.com.au/greywater.html>

<http://www.australianecoshop.com.au/composttoilets.htm>

SWIMMING POOLS:

<http://www.mynaturalpool.com.au>

PLUMBING:

<http://www.greenplumbers.com.au>

WATER, WATER SAVING, WATER CONTROLLERS:

<http://www.ncpw.com>

<http://www.rainbird.com>

<http://www.davey.com.au/rainbank>

<http://www.rippleproducts.com>

HOT WATER SYSTEMS:

<http://www.endless-solar.com>

<http://www.ecosmart.com.au>

<http://www.ncpw.com>

SOLAR POWER SYSTEMS:

<http://www.rpc.com.au>

<http://www.atlantisenergy.org>

<http://www.ncpw.com>

<http://www.anzsos.org>

<http://www.endless-solar.com>
<http://solaronlineaust.yahoostore.com.au/>
<http://www.renewablestore.com.au/>

WIND POWER SYSTEMS:

<http://www.rpc.com.au>
<http://solaronlineaust.yahoostore.com.au/>

Wind Turbine Buyer's Guide:

<http://www.leonardo-energy.org/drupal/node/2151>
<http://www.renewablestore.com.au/>

Government How-To:

<http://www.greenhouse.gov.au/yourhome/technical/fs48.htm>

CARBON CREDITS & GREEN POWER DEALS

<http://www.climatefriendly.com>
<http://www.originenergy.com.au>
<http://www.integral.com.au>
<http://www.agl.com.au/default.htm>

Go to About AGL -> Environment -> Green Energy Choices

OTHER RENEWABLE ENERGY

<http://www.nutech2000.com>

FLOOR COVERINGS

<http://www.ontera.com.au>
<http://www.naturalfloor.com.au>
<http://www.floorspace.com.au>
<http://www.styleplantation.com>

BEDS & BEDDING

<http://www.ecolinen.com>

<http://www.blessedearth.com.au/webcontent1.htm>
<http://www.organature.com.au>

CLEANING

BEST CLEANERS ACCORDING TO "G" MAGAZINE:

<http://www.laundryball.com.au/cmd.php?af=545269>
<http://www.ecostore.co.nz>
<http://www.enjo.com.au>
<http://www.naturalinstinct.com.au/Products/Cleaning.htm>
<http://www.orangepower.com.au>
<http://www.cinderella.com.au>
<http://www.thegreenercleaner.com.au>

OTHER ENVIRO-FRIENDLY CLEANERS:

<http://www.citroclean.com.au>
<http://www.greenaussiecleaner.com/robynburgess>
http://www.naturesorganics.com.aunatures_organics_household.htm
<http://www.herbon.com.au>
<http://diskman.us/clients/bionomics>

GARDENING, FOOD GROWING, (FARMING & FOREST REGENERATION)

<http://www.diggers.com.au>
<http://www.envite.org.au>
<http://www.rainbird.com/iuow/whitepapers.htm>
<http://www.landcareonline.com>
<http://www.ocp.com.au>
<http://www.permaculture.com.au>
http://www.biome.com.au/shop_index.php?cpath=52
<http://www.plantagenda.com.au>
<http://www.weedgunnel.com>

RECYCLING & REUSING

<http://www.reusedirectory.com>

<http://www.planetark.com.au>

<http://www.expressbattery.com.au/webcontent20.htm>

BIO-PLASTICS

Keep an eye on:

<http://www.zelfo.com.au>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Attend yourself or invite the people who impact your home: your architect, builder, solar installation people, plumber, landscaper, gardener, etc.

Green Build & Renewable Energy Exhibition, Sydney:

<http://www.grex.com.au>

Green Cities 08, Sydney:

<http://www.greencities.org.au>

World Sustainable Building Conference, Melbourne:

<http://www.gbcaus.org/gbc.asp?sectionid=5&docid=1333>

Designbuild Expo, Melbourne

http://www.designbuildexpo.com.au/page/melbourne_exhibitor_home.html

There are lots more - research the www.

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