

10 EASY WATER CONSERVATION TIPS

- 1** Water your yard thoroughly, but only as needed – usually no more than 1 inch, once a week.
- 2** Use drip irrigation for plants and gardens, and water early in the morning to minimize evaporation.
- 3** Collect rainwater for landscape use – it is great for the plants, and can save you water and money.
- 4** Install aerators to cut in half the amount of water used by each faucet.
- 5** Fix faucet leaks, which can waste up to 3,000 gallons of water a year.
- 6** Install water-efficient plumbing fixtures to reduce water consumption by 25% to 60% and save energy.
- 7** Check your toilet by using a leak-detection dye tablet. Leaks can waste up to 200 gallons of water a day.
- 8** Replace older toilets with water-efficient models and save up to 4,000 gallons of water a year.
- 9** Wash only full loads of laundry – an average household can save more than 3,400 gallons of water each year.
- 10** Invest in an Energy Star-qualified clothes washer, which typically uses 50% less water and 37% less energy per load.



- [Texas Drought Information, TCEQ](#)
- [Water IQ: Know Your Water, Texas Water Development Board](#)
- [Rainwater Harvesting, Texas Water Development Board](#)
- [Rainwater Harvesting, Texas AgriLife Extension](#)
- [WaterSense, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency](#)
- [Water Saving Tips, Texas Water Development Board](#)

How to Harvest Rainwater — For All Skill Levels.



- [Rainwater Harvesting With Rain Barrels, a Take Care of Texas Guide](#)
- [The Texas Manual on Rainwater Harvesting, Texas Water Development Board](#)
- [Rainwater Harvesting, Texas AgriLife Extension](#)
- [How to Install Rainwater Collection \(video\), This Old House](#)