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Go Green, Do Good

Everyone's doing it—going green, that is. From cups to cars, there are so many ways that you can help the environment. And with cool items like these, it's fun, too!



Eco-First™ Copco To Go Mug

When you need your shot of java in the morning, grab the Eco-First™ Copco To Go Mug. Resembling the classic to-go coffee cup, this mug is a reusable beverage container that is microwave- and dishwasher-safe. BPA-free, it features a double-wall plastic construction for enhanced insulation. \$7.99 at Bed, Bath and Beyond, 7000 E. Mayo Blvd., Phoenix, 480.563.2965.

CarMD

No automotive experience necessary! This handheld gadget gives you a way to check your vehicle's health for hidden problems—particularly problems that are causing pollution. It can tell you if your car or truck is ready to pass its emissions "smog" test and catch hidden problems before they harm the environment or cost you more at the pump. \$98.99 at www.carmd.com.

Mercedes S400 BlueHybrid

The Mercedes S400 BlueHybrid features a lithium-ion battery with a further-improved V6 petrol engine and a compact hybrid module—making this model the world's most efficient luxury car with a petrol engine. It also features an ECO start/stop function that automatically switches the engine off when the car comes to a stop (like at traffic lights). Additionally, it incorporates a number of recycled materials and renewable natural materials. Starting at \$87,950 at your nearest Mercedes dealer.

Easy Ways to Go Green

Change your light bulb to a compact fluorescent bulb.

Unplug your appliances when they're not in use.

Recycle!

Shop at local farmers markets.

Don't let the water run when you're brushing your teeth.

Purchase Energy Starendorsed products.



JuiceBar Solar Charger

The JuiceBar Solar Charger enables you to charge several different devices using light, without having to tote around a variety of AC adapters and cords. This compact device is equipped with solar cells that begin to charge immediately upon contact with light—and it includes 12 of the most commonly used adapters for cell phones, iPods, MP3 players, portable gaming systems and more! \$40.21 at http://cableorganizer.com/pocket-solar-charger.

ChiliBed

Good night, sleep tight. Check out this ChiliBed, a natural foam mattress made from 100% soy. It has Chili Technology embedded into the layers of foam, allowing consumers to heat and cool their bed from 48-118 degreesF. The bed will be available at all ChiliPad dealers nationwide by March 1. \$1,299-\$2,499.

Zero Motorcycles

Are you a motorcycle enthusiast who has a soft spot for the environment? Zero Motorcycles are high-performance bikes with zero-gas emissions. With top speeds of about 60 mph and a range of about 40 miles, Zero Motorcycles are the fastest and most powerful electric motorcycles in production. Zero S uses a completely non-toxic lithium ion array and the majority of the motorcycle is fully recyclable. The landfill-approved power pack recharges in less than four hours while plugged into a standard IIOV or 220V outlet. \$7,450 -\$9,950 at www.zeromotorcycles.com. (Bonus: Purchases are eligible for a 10% federal tax credit!)



