

HERITAGE WATER TANKS WATERWISE RAINWATER SAVING GUIDE

Every drop of rain is precious in Australia. For years, the rural community have successfully been collecting runoff water from the roofs of their homes, and often their sheds too. So why not be even smarter and collect water from the roof of your own water tank!

Heritage Water Tanks now offers a unique and highly efficient guttering system for the roof of your water tank, giving you a much greater water catchment area.

By incorporating a gutter system on a circular rain water tank, you can eliminate wasted rainfall, through harvesting the runoff water into your tank. Significant volumes of water can be collected this way, and often from just a small rain-shower. For example, a 110,000L water tank in a rain fall area of 500mm, could collect up to an extra 24,000L of water each year. This equates to nearly a quarter of the tank's capacity. So instead of valuable rain water from the tank roof being lost as runoff to the ground, this precious commodity can now be harvested directly into your water tank.

Have a look on our website and try our Water Tank Gutter Calculator to see how much water your tank could potentially collect

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Along with efficient rainwater collection, it's also very important to be careful with water use around your home. Our Waterwise Tips within this fact sheet offers you a range of handy ways to go about ensuring your precious tank water lasts the whole year.



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WATERWISE TIPS TO SAVE YOUR RAINWATER!

Clean your gutters and leaf basket

Clean your gutters and leaf basket every Autumn to ensure that your inlets flow freely into your water tank.



Purchase a pump with a continuous flow shut-off mechanism

Excess water-flow shut-off valves help prevent water waste due to leaks or broken pipes, by shutting off the water when the volume reaches a preset level.



Install a meter on your water tank

Have a plumber install a water flow meter on your water tank, so that you can see exactly how much water you are using each week.



Divert water back into your hot water system

Every time you turn on a hot tap, water in the hot water line passes through the thermal valve. The initial flow of water, which has cooled in the lines, is diverted back into the cold water lines and stored, either in a pressure tank or a rainwater tank for reuse.



Install a level indicator on your water tank

A rainwater tank level indicator ensures you are able to tell exactly how much water is left in your tank. This can help you to monitor your water consumption if checked regularly.



Fix a dripping tap

Fix a dripping tap and save up to 10,000 litres of water a year.



Avoid pre-rinsing your dishes

Scrape any excess food from dishes rather than pre-rinsing them before loading the sink or dishwasher. Pre-rinsing dishes can easily double your dish washing water use.



Make your new home waterwise

Building Codes of Australia have set a benchmark for water efficiency requirements for all new homes. When planning to build your home look for opportunities to go above and beyond the minimum standards, both inside and outside the home, for long term reduced water use. Visit the Australian Building Codes Board website for more information. <http://www.abcb.gov.au/>



Switch to a water efficient showerhead

22% of total household water use is used in the shower alone, and much of it is heated, so you're using energy too.



A leaking toilet wastes water

Do you have a leak? A constant trickle into the bowl wastes around 9,000 litres a year. To check for this type of leak, simply place a sheet of toilet paper under the rim in the back of the bowl (do this half an hour after the last flush when the bowl should be dry). If the paper soaks up water, you have a leaking cistern and need to call a licensed Plumber.



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