

Why do we call ourselves 'green'?

Our future (and yours)

The face of business is changing as customers demand more and more that the service they are paying for is not going to be damaging their world. We think this is a good thing and is opening up many opportunities, we are going to grasp that with both hands and take steps toward being as sustainable, green, and socially-conscious as we can. Here is what we are doing to reach that goal:

Products we use

Fairtrade teas, coffees and sugar

Out of Eden non-chemical, environmentally friendly cleaning products (where hygienic)

We use a local Suma bulk order, to help support our community and in the name of ethical sourcing

Remaking

Furniture covers, curtains, and throws are often upcycled from old fabrics

Furniture is often second hand or reused

Things not needed get rehoused with local charities, to be used or resold.

Water, waste, and energy

We provide recycling bins in all rooms and separate rubbish where we can

We minimize waste by using filter waters and refillable bottles for toiletries and jars for teas, coffees, sugar.

Our cleaning products are bulk bought and we use refillables here as well.

Shower heads are fitted with a mechanism that minimizes water usage without effecting pressure.

We monitor our energy use and are in the process of switching to Ecotricity, a fully green and renewable energy provider.

We are in the process of introducing composting to our gardens to further minimize our waste (we currently use the council's food waste service)

2018 sees us engaging a lot more with local energy initiatives, we hope to have more exciting news soon.

Wildlife and conservation

We encourage bird-life in our gardens with feeders

We support and encourage our guests to support local efforts in conservation, promoting local reserves and events,

We will soon be partnering with BBOWT (Berks, Bucks & Oxon Wildlife Trust) to grow this investment.

We have partnered with Bainton Bikes, a local Oxford company, to provide bike hire for our guests—we have two adult bikes, Bainton promises to provide more if there's demand, so come and be demanding.

We highlight local bus services, walks, and cycle routes

Social conscience

We take our responsibility here seriously. We have taken steps to make our property as accessible as building design allows (see our access statement or ask for more information).

We employ along equal opportunities lines

We engage with our community and use local, independent businesses as far as possible.