



how green can you go?

**Start Here**

Change electric and water use habits

**Getting greener**

Switch to energy-efficient appliances

**On your way!**

Build a Green home



**You've heard of a green thumb but what about a green home?** Not a greenhouse... that's for growing plants. A green home is a home that incorporates energy and water saving features into its design and construction and uses ENERGYSTAR® certified appliances.

But even if you're not ready to take the plunge to make your entire home green, you can go greener than you are right now. And it's easier than you might think!

Check out these low- and no-cost ways to make your home more energy and water efficient. The smallest things can add up to a real difference. When you live smart, live green and live well, you are saving money and helping the environment all while adding comfort at home.



## Going Greener Tips:



### **Change a light**

Replacing light bulbs with CFLs—Compact Fluorescent Lights—saves you money on your utility bill by using 75% less energy than regular incandescent bulbs. They also last 10 times longer, so you'll replace bulbs less often.

### **Check your air filter**

Clean or change your filter monthly per manufacture's directions. At a minimum, replace old filters every 3 months. A dirty filter slows down air flow and makes your system work harder to keep you cool or warm. That wastes energy and costs you money.

### **Right plant, right place**

Making wise choices when landscaping your yard can save water and money. Select appropriate plants for your soil and climate. Doing so, means watering less often and can also mean a healthier, more vibrant yard.

### **Be water-wise**

Run your dishwasher and washing machine only when you have a full load. Running half-loads costs you extra. Install a high-efficiency shower head that uses less water; it can save you \$75 a year. Fix that toilet leak and save \$170 a year. Add food coloring to the toilet tank and see if it leaks into the toilet bowl. If it does, your toilet is leaking.

Want to know more? Get more going energy and water-saving tips on [jea.com](http://jea.com).