

Green Tip

Is Your Clothing Polluting Our Environment?

Shopping for new clothes? Check the label before you buy!



Synthetic fabric is made from chemically produced fibers. Chemicals used in the process are derived from coal, oil, or natural gas. **Acrylic, Nylon, Polyester, Polypropylene, PVC (Polyvinyl Chloride), and Spandex**, are made from petroleum-based petrochemicals, thermoplastic polymers, and polyurethane. They are all plastic. Will you damage your environment and health for convenience?

Waste from petroleum-based synthetic cloth harms the environment. If burned, it can produce poisonous gases. If landfilled, it is non-biodegradable and will take a very long time to degenerate, while chemicals used will leach out into the environment.

Synthetic clothes can harm our health. Washing releases microfibers. Washing that cozy fleece can release more than 1,900 microplastic fibers which have proven detrimental effects on human health and wildlife.

Choose cotton, wool, silk, hemp, bamboo, or linen whenever possible!

