

Rain Barrel Sources in Southern Wisconsin

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Non-profit/Utility sources

Keep Greater Milwaukee Beautiful

Order online at www.kgmb.org, \$45 each. A few days after ordering, contact them to set up a pick-up time: (414) 272-5462, 1313 W. Mount Vernon Avenue Milwaukee, WI 53233

Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District

Order on line at <http://www.mmsd.com/rainbarrel/order.cfm> can order up to five at \$30 each. Sold to residents within and outside of the MMSD service district.

Rock Prairie Master Gardener Association

Have barrels available for \$55. Send order to: Deb Grams 521 Pearl Street Janesville, WI 53548. Do not send payment, they will contact you and make arrangements. For questions contact Mike Maddox at mike.maddox@ces.uwex.edu

SouthEast Wisconsin Master Gardeners: [Marie McGinnis \(mariefann@netzero.net\)](mailto:mariefann@netzero.net)

Sustain Dane <http://www.sustaindane.org/>



RainReserve™ Rain Barrels, many options available, here are a few:

Self-Installation Kits w/Diverter (mosquito free, debris free and overflows into downspout)

- \$75.99 RainReserve™ Diverter Kit (you supply your own barrel)
- \$104.99 for a Single Barrel Kit (one diverter kit and one barrel)
- \$159.99 for a Tandem Barrel Kit (one diverter kit and two barrels)
- \$225 for a Oak Wood Single Barrel System

Order on-line at <https://www.rainfordane.com/order/>, by calling 608-316-6844, or via email at rainbarrel@sustaindane.org. Willing to do presentations and demonstrations.

Upper Sugar River Watershed Association <http://www.usrwa.org>

Sells rain barrels for \$50, Delivery is free in Dane County. This may take up to 3-5 weeks to arrange.

You may make arrangements to pick up your rain barrel by appointment or to have it delivered. Order by calling 608-437-7707, or request an order form via email from usrwa@usrwa.org put "Rain barrel" in the subject line.

Additional Resources:

Rain Barrel Web links about rain barrels can be found at:

<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/water/wm/nps/rq/links.htm#barrels>

Build-your-own:

http://www.cityofbremerton.com/content/sw_makeyourownrainbarrel.html

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MGFDiKJOdaM>

Large Water Containment Systems:

info@advanced drainwatersystems.com; www.advancedrainwatersystems.com

Commercial sources

Ready-made rain barrels can be purchased from numerous companies. Below are just a few.

Listing does not constitute an endorsement by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources or the University of Wisconsin

Ace Hardware, Williamson Street, Madison, sells rain barrel kits, you supply the barrel. Barrels can often be found advertised in the local newspaper, or in larger city newspapers – be sure they came from a food product and have been washed.

Oconomowoc Landscape Supply, N68 W37850 Cty Trk K, Oconomowoc: \$146.50

Someday Gardens, www.somedaygardens.com, Jefferson County, sells rustic, dark oak rain barrels with iron bands. Standard barrel holds 52 gallons of water, fitted with spigot and filtered intake, and includes a half-barrel base. \$110 plus delivery. Premium barrels holding 65 gallons may also be offered in Spring 2009.

D&P Industries Incorporated (DPI) produces the Urban Rain Barrel. 541-923-1992.
<http://www.therainbarrel.com/index.html>

Spruce Creek Company produces the Spruce Creek Rainsaver. 800 940-0187.
<http://www.sprucecreekrainsaver.com>

Gaiam Produces the Ecoliving Rain Barrel (877) 989-6321 <http://www.gaiam.com/>

New England Rain Barrel and Composter Company <http://thebarrelbarron.com/>

Composters.com http://www.composters.com/main_water.html

Mason Creek Winery Pewaukee, 262-367-6494

RainWater-Green info@rainwater-green.com

Other local landscaping companies may also carry rain barrels.

The out-of-Wisconsin commercial rain barrel information was obtained and edited from the Maryland Green Building Program website <http://www.dnr.state.md.us/smartgrowth/greenbuilding/rainbarrel.html>.



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