



## Our Commitment to the Environment

*"I would like to thank Heather Newman of the Granaries on Bear Mountain in Dawson Creek for her work in developing their "Green Policy" which has become the basis to our commitment"*

At Arbor Bed and Breakfast we have the following Green practices:

### Waste Reduction:

- Recycle all paper, cardboard, bottles, glass, aluminum and locally recyclable plastics
- Compost food and plant materials
- Reduce packaging waste by buying in bulk
- Use refillable containers for guest amenities
- Reduce food waste by adjusting portion size to appetite
- Use reusable cutlery, dishware and linen
- Reduce paper waste by using electronic documentation and recycled paper

### Energy Conservation

- Installation of heat on demand hot water system
- Installation of high energy / efficiency furnace
- Hang linens outside whenever possible for drying and natural bleaching
- Turn off heat and lights when not needed and encourage guests to do the same
- Use Energy Star light bulbs and appliances
- Choose locally produced and organic foodstuffs when possible

### Water Conservation

- Use of rain barrels to capture water to water the garden
- Mulch lawn clippings to conserve moisture
- Practice water-wise gardening methods
- Use low flow shower heads
- Offer towel and linen re-use program during guest's stay

### Protect Wildlife and their habitat

- Minimize the use of chemical fertilizers or pesticides in the gardens
- Use Environmentally Friendly cleaning products
- Practice "companion gardening"

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