

May We Help You?

# A Sustainable Soiree

Your calendar this fall is likely crammed with festive get-togethers. Whether you're hosting or bringing a gift, here are a few stylish ways to reduce waste and save energy. Let's get this party started!



### Cheers!

Pack a bottle of organic bubbly in a wine tote (made from old sails!) that encourages regifting. Write the date and

recipient's name on the bag's "log," and start it on a journey around the world—or at least your circle of friends. (From \$35; seabags.com)

### Bottoms Up

Made from wine bottles recycled from restaurants, these hip Wine Pints drinking glasses take their name from the dimple winemakers traditionally leave on the bottle's bottom. Diverting glass from the landfill? We'll drink to that.

(From \$24 for four; winepints.com)



## One Green Thing

### TOWEL OFF!

Skipping a paper towel in favor of a cotton tea towel—like this handwoven, fair-trade version by Creative Women—can make a big impact: It's been estimated that if everyone did this just once a day, Americans would save 571 million pounds of paper a year. (From \$28; creativewomen.net for stores)

### WELL-SERVED

The couple behind Ladies & Gentlemen Studio salvage vintage serving utensils by restoring shine and giving handles a cheerful color treatment. (\$60 each; ladiesandgentlemenstudio.com)



### A DOUBLY SWEET

These fair-trade vegan truffles are as gentle on the planet as they are bold on the tongue, with flavors like raspberry-balsamic and beet-coriander. Once the chocolates are gone, reuse the pretty porcelain pint they're packed in to store berries. (\$35; lagustastuscious.com)

### Got You Covered

If aluminum foil and plastic wrap are your go-to methods for storing leftovers, consider this: Aluminum and plastic will likely linger in landfills for hundreds of years—if not longer.

Cover Plex Silicone Lids stretch and stick to fit over pots, plates, and bowls just like foil or wrap, but the durable covers are dishwasher-safe and reusable. (\$20 for three; containerstore.com)



### Good, Clean Fun

Stocking the bathroom with Method's new soap bottle—the first of its kind to be made with plastic pulled from the ocean—will help clean guests' hands and our planet. (\$5; methodhome.com)



### The Write Stuff

Night Owl Paper Goods spunky thank-you cards, made from sustainably harvested birch, are almost as green as e-mail and will mean so much more to your host. (From \$6; nightowlpapergoods.com)



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