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## Eco-friendly Outdoor Clothes Racks

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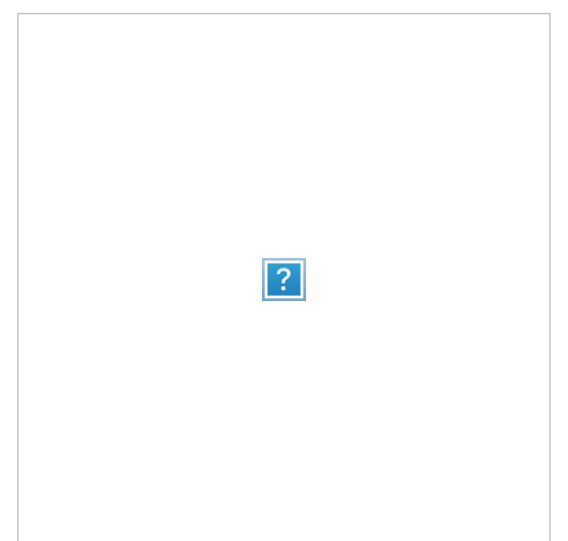
Saving money and energy with a planet-friendly outdoor clothes rack is a practical way to enjoy **eco-friendly laundry** solutions that shrink your carbon footprint. To help you find the best **planet-friendly** outdoor clothes racks, Hearts has compiled a quick guide to some sensible and affordable picks.

### Quick Facts: Laundry Energy Consumption

- **5th biggest energy user in the home:** Dryers consume 5.8% of your home electricity bill, behind heating and cooling appliances, hot water heaters, and the refrigerator. <sup>[i]</sup>

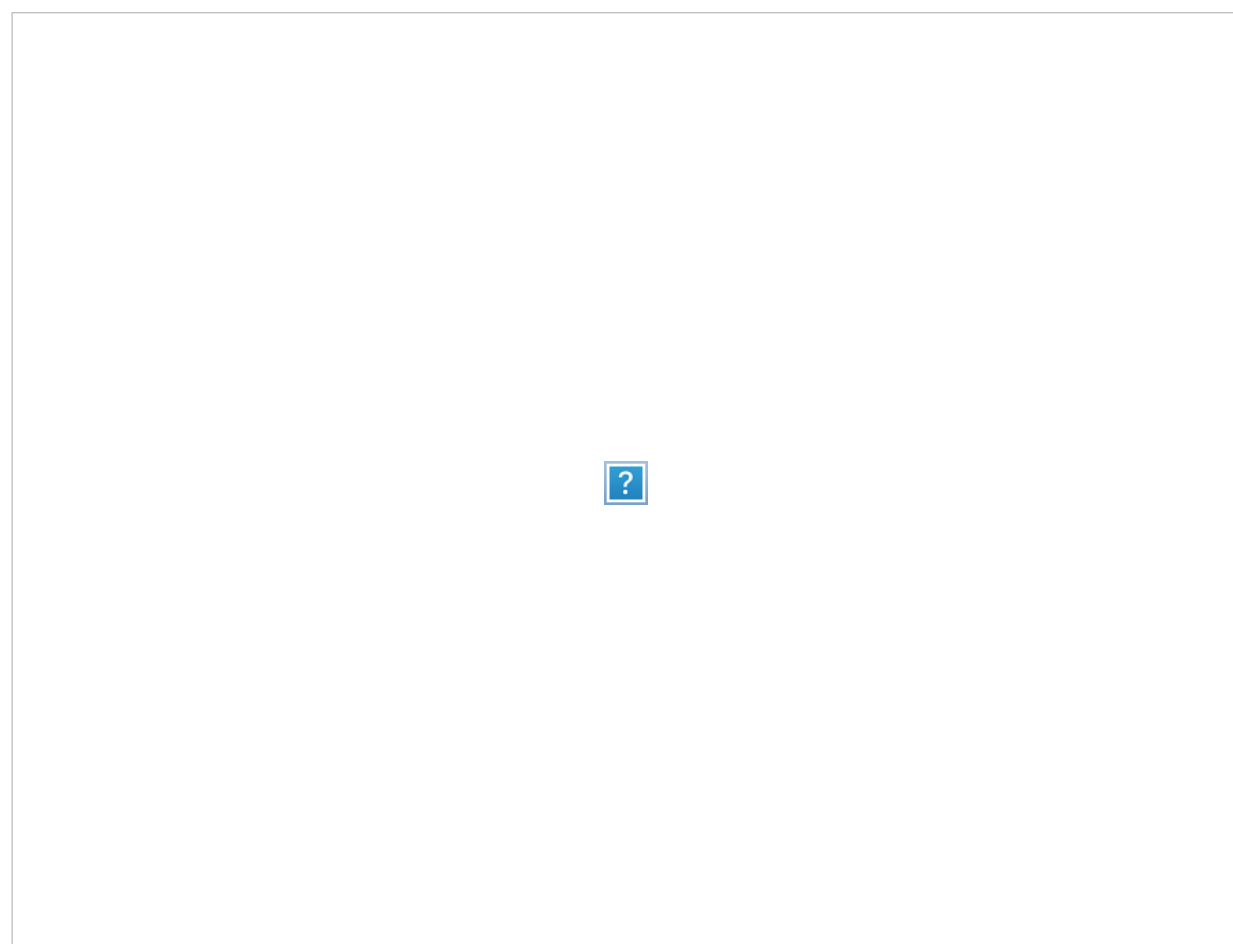
- **\$85-\$120 on dryer energy costs:** The total depends on the cost of your electricity or gas and how often you use your machine. <sup>[ii]</sup> <sup>[iii]</sup>

- **2,400 fewer pounds of CO2:** If you choose line-drying over a clothes dryer for your laundry, that's how much you'll shrink your carbon footprint every year. <sup>[iv]</sup>



### Take Action! Planet-friendly Clothes Dryers

1. **Sustainable, unfinished wooden laundry drying racks:** Giving up your electric clothes dryer will be easier when you have a practical outdoor laundry rack or line to use. **BonafideGreenGoods** carries several SFI certified sustainable wood drying racks that are unfinished so they won't pollute your indoor air.
2. **Make your own clothes drying rack from upcycled materials:** If you're great at DIY, consider making your own eco-friendly bamboo drying rack by following the instructions found at **Oko-Organic**. Or upcycle **old pipes and scrap wood**, a **baby play pen** or a **ladder** into a creative and functional clothes drying rack.
3. **Eco-friendly metal and bamboo drying racks:** Affordable clothes lines are also available for purchase online through ethical companies like **Greenway Home Products** featuring bamboo and recycled aluminum.
4. **Choose eco-friendly laundry accessories:** When you're using an outdoor rack or a clothesline to dry your clothes, you may also want to find eco-friendly laundry accessories, such as planet-friendly bamboo clothes pins from **BrightGreenIdeas**. Alternatively, choose used laundry pegs from secondhand stores.



### Dig Deeper: the Environmental Impact of Drying Laundry

- Learn more about the environmental impact of laundry machines, such as washers and dryers, by reading detailed information from [Appliancemagazine.com](#)

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