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spotlight on ecospecifier #44

'Australia's leading online ecological and healthy building materials & technologies knowledgebase'



product listings update:



Fabulous Foliage - Stainless Planter Range

The FabulousFoliagePlanter Range is made from high durability Stainless Steel & Powder Coat Mild Steel. Stainless Steel is VOC free & Powder Coat has very low VOC emissions. The range of colourful decorative glass pebbles is 100% recycled glass. Planters enable use of specific indoor plant species that are proven to substantially reduce TVOC loads in indoor environments. Click [here](#) to see the Technical

Guide available for Plants and Indoor Air Quality.

[Click here to view product listing](#)

Cement Australia - Fly Ash

Cement Australia manufactures a concrete grade ash product from fly ash, recovered at coal fired power stations. The product is used as a Supplementary Cementitious Material in low embodied energy and GGE profile concrete. Fly ash can replace up to 30% of Portland cement in concrete without loss of strength.

[Click here to view product listing](#)

Star Performers: Fridges & Freezers

ecospecifier has undertaken a review of the Minimum Energy Performance Standards (MEPS) rated fridges and freezers and, in accordance with our policy of recognising the

top 25% performers in independently rated programs such as MEPS, WERS & WELS, we have researched 5, 5.5 and 6 Star rated fridges and freezers.

[Subscribers click here to view these products](#)

feature articles:

ecospecifier's New National Product Standards Expert Group

ecospecifier is pleased to announce the formation of a National Products Standards Experts Group to help steer our technical directions in the coming years. The Group will assist the existing technical team identify, set and update standards for the full range of products, materials and technologies that **ecospecifier** covers. The scope of their overview covers standard for potentially 400 individual product categories and the individual specialities represented will do a great deal to assist the relevance and currency of our technical review of products.

[Click here to find out who's involved](#)

Website Statistics - July

July had yet another impressive jump in usage of the **ecospecifier** website, with the total amount of hits increasing from 1 million to just under 2.3 million hits!

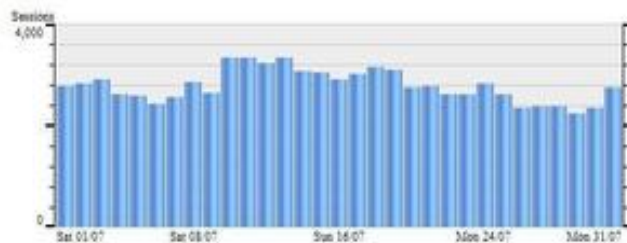
Total Hits: 2,298,281

Daily Average: 74,138.10



Total Sessions: 86,679

Daily Average: 2,796.10



upcoming events:

Sustainable Architectural and Interiors National Tour 2006

Various dates and locations, next seminar: Fri 18 August in Sydney

The seminars will provide practical and easy to understand methodologies for environmental assessment of building products for your projects, and information on how to specify and procure environmental preferable building materials and products.

[Click here to download more information](#)

Understanding Sustainable Development - a practical workshop series

15 August, 5 September, 3 October: RAIA, Brisbane

AGDF, in partnership with the Environmental Protection Agency, is running a four part workshop series aiming to provide an overall look at the various components of sustainable development in its various stages.

[Click here to download more information](#)

Sustainable House Day in Australia & New Zealand

Sat 9 and Sun 10 September: various locations throughout Aust & NZ

Houses that incorporate sustainable systems such as passive solar design, PV systems, rain water harvesting etc will be open to the public for inspection. A list of display houses will be available from the link below from August 2006.

[Click here for more information](#)

ANZSES 44th Annual Conference: Solar Energy 2006

Wed 13 - Fri 15 September: Australian National University, ACT

The theme for ANZSES's 44th Annual Conference is "Clean Energy? Can do!", and will involve many seminars and presentations on the latest developments of renewable energies and energy efficiency.

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About ecospecifier

ecospecifier is a knowledge base of over 1200 environmentally preferable products, materials and resources. Linking independent information with a powerful search interface, **ecospecifier** does your materials research for you, delivering innovative solutions with a unique difference.
