

# Try saving 10 buckets of water a day, it's easy.

On average, each Top Ender uses 55 buckets of water a day. In Alice Springs each person on average uses about 70 buckets of water a day – more than twice as much as most Australians.

Saving 10 buckets of water a day can make a difference by saving money and helping look after this precious resource.

Replace old showerhead with water efficient 3 star model:

- Each showerhead replaced will save 5 buckets of water a day
- Water efficient showerheads cost between \$20 and \$150

Reducing shower time by 3 minutes, or reducing shower time from seven minutes to four minutes:

- Save 7 buckets a day, or two showers a day save 14 buckets
- Save 60 litres of water a day
- Cost – nothing!

Tap flow controller/aerator fitted to kitchen and bathroom taps to reduce flow:

- Save 2 buckets of water a day
- Save 17 litres of water a day
- Cost about \$10

Replace a single flush (12l) toilet with a 4 star rated 4.5/3L dual flush model:

- Save 2 buckets of water a day
- Save 20 litres of water a day
- Cost \$150+

Fit and use a swimming pool cover to reduce evaporation:

- Save 25 buckets in Alice Springs and 18 buckets of water a day in Darwin
- Save 222 litres of water a day in Alice Springs and 162 litres in Darwin
- Cost \$400+

Fit a trigger nozzle to your hose for garden watering and car washing:

- Save 1 bucket of water a day
- Save 13 litres of water a day
- Cost \$20

Fix a leaking toilet

- Save 4 buckets of water a day
- Save 40 litres of water a day
- Cost from \$20



**Fix leaking taps**

- **Save 9 buckets of water a day**
- Save 80 litres of water a day
- Cost \$10 if you DIY

Use the plug when rinsing vegetables or dishes – a running tap can use between 9 and 20 litres of water per minute. Based on washing vegies under a running tap for 3 minutes a day:

- **Save 3 buckets of water a day**
- Save 27 litres of water a day
- Cost – nothing!

Use a front loading washing machine and you can save more than 90 litres of water per cycle. Based on 4 loads a week that means:

- **Save 2 buckets of water a day**
- Save 20 litres of water a day
- Cost from \$600

Soak your pots and pans to remove foods, rather than scraping them under running water – you can save 9 litres a minute. Based on doing this for 4 minutes you can:

- **Save 4 buckets of water a day**
- Save 36 litres of water a day
- Cost – nothing!

Turn off the tap while cleaning your teeth, shaving or washing hands – you can save 9 litres a minute. Based on doing this for 3 minutes you can:

- **Save 3 buckets of water a day**
- Save 27 litres of water a day
- Cost – nothing!

Turn off the water while washing and conditioning your hair – you can save up to 180 litres a week, or:

- **Save 2 buckets of water a day**
- Save 20 litres of water a day
- Cost – nothing!

**If you can:**

- Turn the tap off when you brush your teeth
- Don't rinse your vegies under a running tap
- Soak your pots and pans to remove foods, rather than scraping them under a running tap
- Turn the shower off while washing or conditioning your hair
- Install a tap timer for topping up your pool so that you don't forget about it and the pool overflows

**You can save your 10 buckets of water a day.**

