



# GREEN DESIGN INDUSTRIES

## ECOSTYLE

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**A**S WE assembled data, talked with owners of companies that supply products for healthier life-styles while preparing the Chic Eco Directory 2004 Edition, it became apparent that there are many new developments in the green design industries.

The listings in the Directory show there are fragrances without phthalates; cosmetics without parabens; toiletries without lathering agents; colors without synthetics; and animal-based materials acquired without cruelty. Such products are increasingly available this year because more people (and their enterprises) are reevaluating morals and goals. Nature and art are making the right connections for harmonious survival.

### SAMPLE LISTINGS FOR 2004

Following is a random selection of listings from this year's Chic Eco Directory. In many cases, companies have listed minimum orders for purchases since they are primarily wholesalers so it is a good idea to contact them. These enterprises provide excellent examples of the changes underway in the commercial marketplace, and also good indicators of what to expect in the future. □

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#### **A.J.A. Trading Company**

Active sportswear apparel made with natural cotton colors by in-house spinners; High-end quality.  
Contact: Albert Ades  
8200 Boulevard East  
North Bergen, New Jersey 07047  
Phone: (201) 662-1986  
e-mail: [sales@ajafielddgoods.com](mailto:sales@ajafielddgoods.com)

#### **Aloha Glass Recycling**

Company recycles waste glass into a variety of products, including water filter media, sandblast grit, decorative landscape aggregate.  
Contact: T.D. Reed  
75 Amala Place,  
Kahului, Maui, Hawaii 96732  
Phone: (808) 871-8544  
e-mail: [info@aloha-recycling.com](mailto:info@aloha-recycling.com)

#### **Alpha Skin Care**

Company offers 100 percent pure aromatherapy skin care with no preservatives, synthetic fragrances, etc. for feet, makeup, massage oils, sun screen.  
183 Mattock Place  
Somerset, New Jersey 08873  
Phone (908) 230-7439  
e-mail: [info@alphaskincare.com](mailto:info@alphaskincare.com)

#### **Alvarez Farms**

Farms cover 700 organic acres, growing crops that include cotton varieties (pima and acala) plus culinary and medicinal herbs.  
Contact: Dosi Alvarez  
1049 Mercanitel  
La Union, New Mexico 88021  
Phone: (505) 874-3170  
e-mail: [Lazy-A@msn.com](mailto:Lazy-A@msn.com)

#### **Antique Drapery Rod Co., Inc.**

Steel hardware from 100 percent recycled rods; Water-based wood stains and lowest VOC finishes; No carcinogenics in dyeing, warping, weaving of drapes.  
Contact: Shawnee Finck  
140 Glass Street,  
Dallas, Texas 75207  
Phone: (214) 653-1733  
e-mail:  
[sfinck@antiquedraperyrod.com](mailto:sfinck@antiquedraperyrod.com)

#### **Arteco**

Artist Stewart Webb calls his sculptures and wearable art made from electronic components and computer hardware "technomontages."  
Contact: Stewart Webb  
1285 Blackhawk Road  
Darlington, Pennsylvania 16115  
Phone: (724) 846-2049  
e-mail: [stu@arteco.com](mailto:stu@arteco.com)

#### **Back to Basics Soft Wear, Inc.**

Natural fiber clothing (bras, underwear) from organic cotton.  
Contact: Sally Webb,  
10508 S. Lowell Road  
Bahama, North Carolina 27503  
Phone: (919) 477-5669  
e-mail: [backtob@aol.com](mailto:backtob@aol.com)

#### **Bamboo Hardwoods**

Building materials, fencing, flooring and furniture from bamboo.  
Contact: Bamboo Hardwoods  
510 S. Industrial Way  
Seattle, Washington 98108  
Phone: (206) 264-2414  
e-mail: [info@bamboohardwoods.com](mailto:info@bamboohardwoods.com)

#### **Barefoot Cobbler**

Footwear, sandals made from hemp.  
Contact: Paul Christian,  
Barefoot Cobbler  
PO Box 6996,  
San Pedro, California 90734  
Phone: (707) 781-0847  
e-mail: [BarefootTherapy@hotmail.com](mailto:BarefootTherapy@hotmail.com)

#### **Bazura.biz**

Bags, backpacks, placemats, wallets, etc. made from recycled juice containers by a women's cooperative in the Philippines.  
Contact: Larry Duprey, Bazura.biz  
PO Box 34554, 1565 Jane,  
Toronto, ON Canada M9N 1R0,  
Phone: (416) 242-9452  
e-mail: [info@bazura.biz](mailto:info@bazura.biz)

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### **Bear Creek Soap Works**

Cottage industry offers hand-crafted herbal soap with hemp seed oil and pure essential oils.  
Contact: Lorie Arcand  
PO Box 85, Branscomb, California 95417  
Phone: (707) 984-8275

### **Beeswax Candle Works, Inc.**

Over 130 items featuring beeswax candles, hand dipped, since 1985.  
Contact: Christine Barth  
33618 Jenkins Road  
Cottage Grove, Oregon 97424  
Phone: (541) 942-7061  
e-mail: beeswax@epud.net

### **Bessman Farms**

Organic wool from registered Shropshires.  
Contact: Cecil Bessman,  
5395 N. Richmond Road  
Pierpont, Ohio 44082  
Phone: (440) 858-2420  
e-mail: bessman@knownet.net

### **Blue Lotus Outdoor Blankets**

Fleece blankets made with EcoSpun, fiber from 100 percent recycled plastic bottles.  
Contact: Lorin Troderman  
PO Box 134  
Soquel, California 95073  
Phone: (831) 479-7051  
e-mail:  
info@bluelotusblankets.com

### **Bright Future Futon Company**

Bolster, cushion, pillows, etc. made from buckwheat hulls, kapok, organic cotton.  
Contact: Lois Hamamoto,  
3120 Central Avenue SE  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87106  
Phone: (888) 645-4452  
e-mail: info@bluelotusyoga.com

### **Boxer Rebellion**

Boxer shorts and underwear made from organic cotton.  
Contact: Brenda Van Dorn  
500 Central Drive  
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23454  
Phone: (800) 342-7286  
e-mail: boxerrebellion@att.net

### **Celestial Body**

Body care, cleansers, creams, etc. made from jojoba and other oils with no synthetics.  
Contact: Ann Harmon  
21298 Pleasant Hill Road,  
Boonville, Missouri 65233  
Phone: (800) 882-6858  
e-mail: info@celestialbody.com

### **Chista**

Furniture, lamps and tiles made from stone, wood and mother of pearl.

Contact: Alon Langotsky, Chista,  
537 Greenwich Street  
New York, New York 10013  
Phone: (212) 924-0394  
e-mail: info@chista.net

### **ChoiceDek**

Deck building materials made from recycled plastic and cedar sawdust.

Contact: ChoiceDek, Box 116  
Junction, Texas 76849  
Phone: (877) 235-6873  
e-mail: sales@choicedek.com

### **Conscious Clothing**

Apparel including heirloom wedding attire from all natural fabrics such as hemp and silk.

Contact: Crystal Miller  
PO Box 1143  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504  
Phone: (505) 982-7506

### **coolnotcruel, Inc.**

Coats, dresses, jackets, etc. for the urban chic, from alpaca, hemp, organic cotton, etc.

Contact: Sara Cross,  
83 State Street, #4,  
Brooklyn, New York 11201  
Phone: (646) 221-6363  
e-mail: sara@coolnotcruel.com

### **Copperhead Studio**

Reuse of discarded materials to form beautiful products, many with a sense of humor.

Contact: Nita Mehnert  
19543 Bakersfield Drive  
Spring Hill, Florida 34610  
Phone: (352) 754-5077  
e-mail: copperhd@gate.net

### **Cricket Hill Garden**

Botanicals plus supplier of organically-raised Chinese tree peonies.

Contact:  
David and Kasha Furman  
670 Walnut Hill Road  
Thomaston, Connecticut 06787  
Phone: (860) 283-1042  
e-mail: orders@treepeony.com

And that's only a sampling of the A,B,Cs in the Chic Eco Directory. For details about ordering the Chic Eco Directory, 2004 print edition with CD, priced at \$125 call (859) 619-2704; visit [www.ChicEco.com](http://www.ChicEco.com), or write ChicEco, 322 Grosvenor Avenue, Lexington, Kentucky 40508.