

Tip 5



Install water efficient garden irrigation equipment

Efficient irrigation equipment prevents wasting water by distributing it effectively and evenly to the areas required. This results in plant growth and health, without the need for excessive pruning or mowing.

Three factors govern the effectiveness of an irrigation system:

- choice and quality of equipment
- design and outlet layout
- regular maintenance routine

When your garden watering system is professionally designed and installed, the correct type of outlets are incorporated into the system to suit different types of plants. Exotics, natives, lawns, pots, hanging baskets, ferneries and rockeries all require different amounts of water. Soil type, slope of the land and prevailing weather conditions will also influence the choice of system and outlets.

After consultation, a garden watering system is tailor-made for each individual garden layout. Available water pressure and flow, access to different areas, plant growth, future garden development, budget and lifestyle are all taken into account.

If an outlet applies water at a greater rate than the infiltration rate of the plant being watered, then runoff will occur. The result is very inefficient irrigation and the plants don't get the moisture they require. (infiltration rates and soil moisture uptake can be improved using wetting agents and gypsum in some soils).

Need help with efficient watering systems or rebates? Ask a Pro – a Water Pro – Ph: 1300 660 111

9 Handy Locations across Melbourne

Burwood 39 Huntingdale Rd
Dandenong 2/1 Attenborough St
Elsternwick 515 Glenhuntly Rd
Hoppers Crossing 9/428 Old Geelong Rd
Lilydale 19 Cave Hill Rd
Moorabbin 250 Chesterville Rd
Frankston 3/9 Sir Laurence Drive Seaford
Sunbury 59 Vineyard Rd
Thomastown 280 Settlement Rd

Saving Water

10 tips for maintaining a green garden while saving water

Automation of garden watering systems, when managed properly, can improve efficiency by watering at night or early morning, to avoid excessive evaporation. Measurable quantities of water are applied to different areas, taking into account topography and plant requirements. (watering before the plants reach their wilting point).

There are many different types of irrigation equipment on the market, with many of the commercial quality valves, sprays, sprinklers, tricklers and drippers being very water efficient if used properly. The professionally designed and installed garden watering system, with good management, will deliver a measured amount of water to the areas it was designed to do. Not only will you save water, you will also prevent green slime and stains from forming on paving. Plant growth will be manageable, which means lower garden maintenance costs.

Don't forget to claim your rebate from the government!

The Victorian Government offers rebates for certain water saving expenses.



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