We use Food Quality High Density Poly Ethylene Barrels that were previously used to ship pickled food and olives overseas. We clean and rinse them with rain water and PH neutral soap so you never have to worry about harsh containments getting on your plants. Before determining which color or size barrel to order there are several factors to be considered.

There are holes drilled into the lid for the water to drain into from your downspout. The screening keeps out the debris from the roof and keeps the mosquitoes out.

Because all our barrels have a garden hose size spigot at the bottom of the barrels you have several options on how to water your plants since a garden hose, landscape tubing or drip tubing can be attached to the barrel. If you wanted to use a watering can simply situate the barrel on a wooden pedestal. The barrels also have an overflow fitting to allow the excess water that flows from the downspout to be diverted away from the barrel and a linking hose fitting so 2 or more barrels can be joined together and will all fill up from just 1 downspout.

The 30 gallon rain barrel is intended for homeowners or renters with a balcony. Water weighs 8.5 pounds per gallon. When it is full it will be less than 300 pounds per square foot. Balconies are rated for 400 pounds plus pounds per square foot.

Our 50 Gallon brown barrel is one of our most popular barrels. It is compact in size and the color blends perfectly with the woody plants in your garden and will not clash with any color house.

Our 55 Gallon Black and Grey Barrels are great “Neutral” colors that look great with the green plants and trees in your garden. They hide well behind deciduous trees and bushes, and won’t clash with any color house.

**30 GALLON RAIN BARREL**
(Blue)
COST $55.00

**50 GALLON RAIN BARREL**
(Terra-Cotta and Brown)
COST $65.00

**55/60 GALLON RAIN BARREL**
(Black, Terra-Cotta, Blue, Grey)
COST $75.00

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