

Eco-Friendly Furniture Checklist

Use this guide when shopping for eco-friendly furniture to ensure your choices are truly sustainable.

1. Material Checklist

- ☐ FSC-certified wood
- ☐ Bamboo or reclaimed wood
- ☐ Recycled metal or plastic
- ☐ Natural fabrics (organic cotton, wool, linen)
- ☐ Non-toxic or water-based finishes and glues

2. Certifications to Look For

- ☐ FSC (Forest Stewardship Council)
- ☐ GREENGUARD Gold
- ☐ Cradle to Cradle
- ☐ OEKO-TEX®
- ☐ GOTS (for textiles)

3. Manufacturing Ethics

- ☐ Locally made or regionally sourced
- ☐ Fair trade certified or ethically manufactured
- ☐ Low-VOC adhesives and finishes

4. Durability & Longevity

- ☐ Strong joinery (e.g., dovetail, mortise and tenon)
- ☐ Easy to maintain or repair
- ☐ Modular or timeless design

5. End-of-Life Responsibility

- ☐ Can be recycled, reused, or upcycled
- ☐ Return or take-back program available

☐ Minimal plastic packaging