

Maryland Green Registry MEMBER The Maryland Green Registry promotes and recognizes sustainable practices at organizations of all types and sizes. Members agree to share at least five environmental practices and one measurable result while striving to continually improve their environmental performance.

Whiskey Bottom Candle Company

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Management and Leadership

I Environmental Policy Statement

Whiskey Bottom Candle Company is committed to reducing its impact on the environment. We will strive to improve our environmental performance over time and implement additional projects and activities that will further reduce our impact on the environment.

Our commitment to the environment extends to our customers, our staff, and the community in which we operate. We are committed to:

- Comply with all applicable environmental regulations;
- Prevent pollution whenever possible;
- Train all of our staff on our environmental program and empower them to contribute and participate;
- Communicate our environmental commitment and efforts to our customers, staff, and our community; and
- Continually improve over time by striving to measure our environmental impacts and by setting goals to reduce these impacts each year.

Environmental Team

Whiskey Bottom Candle Company is a small business currently operated by the owners, Jason & Shelby Scarlatta. The owners meet weekly to discuss

improvements to environmental performance and are committed to further reducing our impact on the environment.

Annual Environmental Goals

Whiskey Bottom Candle Company has the following Environmental Goals:

- 1. Reuse shipping and packing supplies and increase the use of eco-friendly packing materials.
- 2. Purchase eco-friendly or previously used equipment whenever possible, including purchasing an eco-friendly candle wax melting tank.
- 3. Promote, inform and educate about reusing and recycling via social media.
- 4. Increase the use of environmentally preferable products including recycled paper for printing and in retail packaging (gift bags, tissue paper, etc.)

Environmentally Preferable Products and Services

At Whiskey Bottom Candle Company, we pride ourselves on offering an environmentally friendly and unique product. We collect wine and liquor bottles from local businesses and then give them new life with our hand-poured soy wax candles featuring a variety of scents. Approximately half of the businesses we collect glass bottles from wouldn't typically recycle the bottles and would discard them in the regular trash. By collecting from these businesses we ensure that every glass bottle we collect is either reused or recycled. Furthermore, we use clean burning soy wax, a renewable resource sourced from US grown soybeans, to make our candles. Every candle container is handmade by us from a recycled wine, whiskey or another type of recycled glass bottle.

Environmentally Preferable Purchasing

We purchase GreenWrap by Geami, eco-friendly sustainable packing materials that are 100% recyclable, biodegradable and compostable.

Environmental Restoration or Community Environmental Projects

We promote reusing and recycling via social media and have submitted an application to be a vendor at the Boonsboro Green Fest in May 2014.

<u>Waste</u>

Solid Waste Reduction and Reuse

By collecting wine and liquor bottles from local businesses that may not recycle them, we are reusing and recycling ¼ ton of glass bottles each week. Whiskey Bottom Candle Company also recycles and reuses the shipping and packing material we receive and several of our worktables and other equipment were previously used.

✓ Recycling

In addition to the ¼ ton of glass we reuse/recycle each week, we also recycle cardboard and other shipping and packing materials saving an estimated \$1,500.00 per year.

Energy

Energy Efficiency

Whiskey Bottom Candle Company uses CFLs and, when possible, energy efficient equipment including an eco-friendly wax melting tank.



Help build a greener, more sustainable Maryland through voluntary practices that reduce environmental impacts and save money.

