Free water butts for Staveley residents

Thank you for ordering a water butt, they really are water saving wonders. You'll soon be using rainwater in your garden during the drier months, rather than tap water.

Water butts also help to reduce the amount of water entering the sewer system and this modified design includes a slow release hose which allows some of the water to run into the sewer at a much slower rate, leaving space for when it rains again.

Turn the page over to find fitting instructions. You can also use the QR code for more information about how to fit your water butt.

Keeping you informed

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Water butt (slow release) fitting instructions

About your water butt

- diameter 680mm, height with stand 1230mm
- fits standard 68mm round and 65mm square plastic downpipes
- pre-drilled holes for hoses and tap.
- holds 200 litres of water stores 132 litres, with 68 litre capacity for slow release of water

Your water butt kit includes: You will need:

- 1. Water butt
- 2. Childproof lid
- 3. Stand
- 4. Tap
- 5. Downpipe connector kit
- 6. Slow release hose (2 meters)



How to fit your water butt (read all the way through before fitting)

- 1. Get your tools ready to use.
- 2. Clear an area near your downpipe so that it is safe for you to work.
- **3.** Make sure the ground is even using a spirit level and position the stand where you would like your water butt to be *(photo 1)*.
- 4. Push the tap through a pre-drilled hole at the bottom of the water butt from the outside in. Lean inside the water butt to fit the washer and nut to the opposite side of the tap. Fit and tighten the nut to form a seal.
- 5. You can position the water butt either next to the downpipe or as far as the connection hose between the water butt and downpipe will allow (*photo 2*).
- 6. The stand has a wide ident which allows easy access to the tap. Place the water butt on top of the stand, making sure that the tap is lined up with the indent (*photo 3*).
- 7. Cutting the downpipe (photos 4 to 5).
 - Mark the downpipe 10mm below the top of the water butt.
 - Mark it again 30mm below this point.
 - Using a pipe saw or hacksaw, cut out this section.
 - You may need to loosen any downpipe brackets near your markings for accessibility, and reattach after step 8.





- 8. Fit the downpipe box with the square end facing upwards into the cut section of the downpipe. Then connect the hose between the water butt and the downpipe box (photo 6).
- Now attach the overflow connector to the open hole (this isn't plugged) and attach the longer hose (photo 7).
- **10.** Direct the hose end towards your drain **(photo 8)**.
- **11.** To lock the childsafe lid, twist the line on the lid away from the

triangle found on the water butt barrel. To open the lid, align the line on the lid with the triangle and open.













