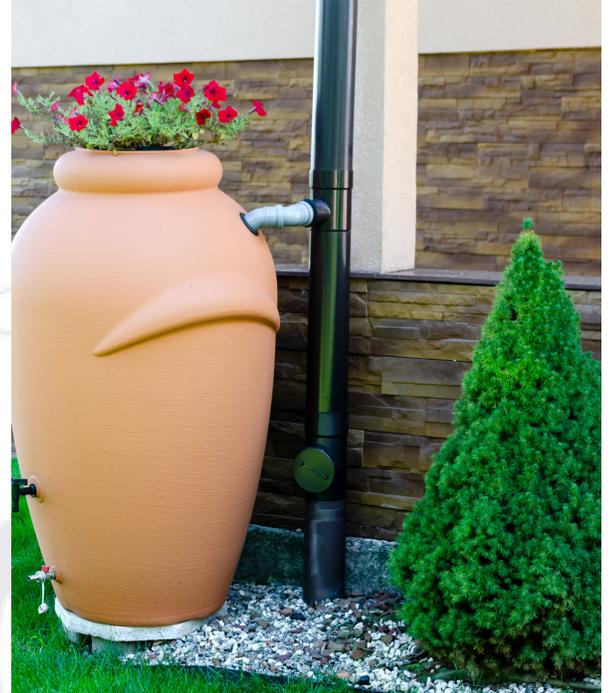


What are Rainwater Gathering & Rain Barrels?

Rainwater Gathering is the process of collecting and storing rain water . Often the water is collected from the rooftop of building via gutters and downspouts. The water is then conveyed to a rain barrel or other underground rain storage container.

The water from these collection sources can be used for non consumption activities, to include washing you car, use in fountain or ponds, and flushing toilets if needed in a major weather event.



Benefits

Benefits of Rainwater Gathering and Rain Barrels include, but are not limited to:

- Reducing runoff volume
- Reducing your water bill
- Improving quality of ground water
- Preventing pollutants from entering the environment
- Reducing water that runs off of your property
- Allowing better water soil balance in heavy storms



Maintenance

Maintenance Level: Varies

- Replace gutter or downspouts as needed
- Use the rainwater collected
- Control pests in and around collection site
- Check all components of system for debris and clogs
- Make sure there is an collection for overflow of Rain Barrels
- Seasonal maintenance to prepare for severe weather events
- Clean Rain Barrels using non-toxic substances

How can SLO help?

SLO is a team of highly trained professionals with over 25 years of experience. SLO has made it their mission to help the community in creating Sustainable Landscapes to help preserve our land and the Chesapeake Bay.

SLO provides all of the resources you need to keep your Rainwater Gathering and Rain Barrels operating in peak performance by:

- Planning and designing water collection systems
- Assisting with routine maintenance
- Assisting with seasonal preparation and repairs
- Referring to pest control firms as needed who use non-toxic solutions

