Top 6 Hi-Tech Eco-Friendly Products To Keep You Feeling Cool, Looking Fresh, and Staying Healthy For Summer

1. Faraday Bikes



Photo: Faraday.com

Adam Vollmer, founder of Faraday Bikes, truly understands bike design, what bikers like, and keeping mother nature happy. His electric bike or e-bike, the Faraday Porteur (it's flagship bike), has a 350-watt motor in its front wheel and a battery in its frame - but you'd never know it. The classic and beautiful design hides the electronic components so efficiently that it puts many bulky and downright ugly electric bikes to shame.



Photo: Faraday.com

This summer, riders may peddle the e-bike to their hearts content and then kick in the motor and coast along when needing a break. The cyclist has the option between not using the motor, running it in the ultra quiet e-assist mode, or increasing the power to "boost" mode. The price tag: \$3500.00. But with its eco-friendly, fun, and incredibly

solid design, the Faraday Porteur is a piece of art that in the words of Kent Peterson, a test-rider and blogger, "when you engage the e-assist, it feels like flying." Enough said.

Social Sites:

https://twitter.com/faradaybikes

https://www.facebook.com/FaradayBikes

2. Project Solaire - Backpacks



Photo: Project Solaire

Let The Sunshine In. Well, solar energy actually. The people at Project Solaire literally took this sustainable concept and translated it into a backpack that incorporates a solar panel. Yes, an actual removable, water resistant 7-watt dual solar panel is embedded into the fabric keeping your mobile devices charged wherever the wind, or in this case the sun, takes you.



Photo: Project Solaire

The dual solar panels capture enough solar energy to charge two USB compatible devices. Imagine charging your cell phone within a few minutes just by sun worshipping at the beach. "When they learn that it's free charging every where there's sun, and you can store the energy for later, they love it," states Deme Marie (via Ecouterre) the brand's marketing manager. Price tag: around \$190. Visit Project Solaire for full details and current selection.

Social Sites:

https://www.fundable.com/project-solaire http://www.projectsolaire.com/backpacks/

3. HotSquash Clothing



Photo: HotSquash.com

The latest British invasion, HotSquash, is an innovative brand mixing high-tech and ontrend fashion, keeping the ladies cool in the summer and warm in the winter. We've seen temperature-regulating clothing before, mostly in athletic wear. The British clothing company offers the same cooling/warming technology but in high fashion, easy to wear pieces such as casual and formal tops, dresses, and pants.



Photo: Ladympresents.co.uk

The science behind the clothing? Thin HeatTM technology for when the temps drop, and CoolFreshTM for warmer weather. Thin Heat reflects body heat inward, making fabrics

twice as warm as wool and even three times as warm when wet. CoolFresh technology is extremely breathable and wicks away sweat. Cool fashion for the fast approaching summer swelter. For more information on current prices, styles and sizes go to www.hotsquash.com and sign up for their newsletter to receive 20% off your first purchase.

Social sites:

https://twitter.com/hotsquash

https://www.facebook.com/HotSquashClothing?fref=ts

4. Dyson Bladeless Fan



Photo: Dyson.com

Dyson is well known for their cordless vacuum cleaner commercials, you know, the one with the silver ball that allows the vacuum to swivel. But did you know that Dyson also sells a plethora of other cool products rocking the high-tech scene? Case in point - the Dyson Bladeless Desk Fan. Just in time for summer, this funky fan comes with great features such as:

- Smooth airflow, no buffeting
- Safe for children- no fast-spinning blades
- Saves energy use in conjunction with air conditioning to lower energy bills by up to 20%
- 75% quieter
- Easy to clean no dusty blades

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Price tag: around \$299. Visit www.dyson.com for more information on retail stores near you and current pricing.

Social Sites:

https://www.facebook.com/dyson

https://twitter.com/Dyson

5. The Nest Thermostat



Photo: Gizmag.com

A thermostat that saves energy by learning your daily habits, gathering local weather information, and programming itself? That's the stuff of a Jetson's cartoon right? Nope. Introducing: The Nest. Most people program their thermostat and off they go for a day at the beach. But this energy saving tech gadget does all the work for you through activity sensors that detect humidity, light, and temperature.



Photo: Securityaffairs.co

It also turns itself down when you leave and learns your habits to determine the best overall temperature for you - all in about a week. You can also connect your thermostat to Wi-Fi to control the temperature from any mobile device or laptop. At a reasonable price point of \$249, this little next generation thermostat eventually pays for itself by saving you money - and it does all of this without you even knowing it. For more information to see if this thermostat is right for your "little nest", visit www.nest.com.

Social Sites:

https://www.facebook.com/nest/

6. Green Series Cardio Equipment



Photo: www.greenseriesfitness.com

Need to lose a few extra pounds before swimsuit season while simultaneously reducing your carbon footprint? Coming soon to a fitness center near you, or to your actual dwelling, the latest in cardio equipment that will get you fit and remain environmentally friendly all at the same time.

The Green Series Fitness cardio equipment features powerful high-efficiency motors as well as cordless cycles and ellipticals. Other eco-friendly specs according to the Green Series Website include:

- Energy efficient AC and DC Motors with UL and meet NEMA premium ratings
- Motor controllers with Green Technology inverters to minimize power consumption
- 99% of the Green SeriesTM equipment can be recycled

- Poly V high-resistance polyester belt drive systems
- Wax impregnated running belts ensure maintenance-free and efficient operations
- Low product shipping weight minimizes environmental footprint

For more information on pricing and specs, visit www.greenseriesfitness.com.

Social Sites:

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