

Denman Island Personal Planning

100% Climate and Nature Friendly by 2025

Personal Planning	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Call a family meeting to discuss this list					
Transportation					
Shift to cycling or walking for more local trips					
Buy an electric bike or trike					
Carpool to meetings and events					
Do more ride-sharing, transit, Hornby bus					
Buy a new or second hand hybrid or electric vehicle, \$8k+ rebates					
Sell your last fossil fuel vehicle and never look back					
Pack a zero-waste travel bag - mug, cutlery, take out containers					
Flights: Minimize, buy carbon offsets whenever you have no choice but to fly					
Home					
Switch to LED lightbulbs					
Upgrade to the most efficient appliances					
Upgrade for better home insulation, better windows, reduce heat-leaks					
Remove your oil or gas heater					
Make sure that any firewood you use has been harvested sustainably					
Install a heat-pump. www.tinyurl.com/BCHydroRebates					
Install solar PV. \$2 per watt. 4kw system = \$8,000 + tax					
Assemble your household emergency preparedness kit					
Financial					
Switch to a climate-friendly bank. www.tinyurl.com/Fossil-Fuel-Banks					
Switch to climate-friendly investments. www.riacanada.ca					
Business					
Owners: join the Vancouver Island Green Business Collective www.vigbc.ca					
Owners: become a Certified Benefit Corporation www.bcorporation.net					
Staff: Talk to your employer about making their business as green as possible					
Forest, Farm and Garden					
Place a conservation covenant on your forest and/or farm					
Adopt the ecoforestry approach to timber management www.ecoforestry.ca					
Plant ten trees					
Safeguard your home against wildfires					
Grow food organically					
Practice bear-safe home composting					
Save your own food - drying, canning, freezing					
Harvest rainwater in tanks, swales and ponds					
Save water by cover crops, mulching, drip irrigation					

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Forest, Farm and Garden <i>Cont'd</i>					
Create habitat for birds, bats, bees, native plants and wildlife					
Save your own seeds					
Switch to an electric outdoor mower, weed-eater, chainsaw					
Share tools with your neighbours					
Shopping					
Buy local					
Buy certified organic products					
Eat less meat and dairy – try a vegetarian or vegan diet					
Eliminate non-sustainable palm oil products https://tinyurl.com/responsiblepalmoil					
Buy tree-free or 100% recycled paper, tissues, toilet-paper					
Buy safe personal care products www.ewg.org					
Buy Fair-Trade, slavery-free chocolate, coffee and tea					
Buy green household cleaning products www.seventhgeneration.com					
Buy nature-friendly, non-sweatshop, sustainable clothing					
Waste					
Learn how to knit, sew and repair clothing					
Upcycle and creatively re-use clothing and other items					
Use the Free Store and Recycling Centre, giving and taking					
Use re-useable shopping bags, produce bags and re-fillable containers www.tinyurl.com/sustshopping					
Achieve zero household waste to the landfill					
Community Engagement					
Join DIRA's Climate Action Committee					
Invite your friends to a Climate Action Kitchen Table gathering					
Choose a climate/nature focus and join or start a Denman group					
Campaign to help the best climate-aware candidate to win in the next election					
Participate in Denman's annual beach clean-up					
The End					
Leave legacies for climate and nature in your will					
Plan a beautiful green burial					

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