

WELCOMES YOU TO MAINTAINING YOUR SAPLING WITH THE SAPLING CARE PACKAGE

The *Sapling Care Package* you've just received will help your *Sapling* have a long and beautiful life. The package has four components:

- Sapling Flat Black Paint
- 100-grit sandpaper
- 8 ounces of barrel oil
- 4 ounces of baking soda

Maintaining your Barrel

Simple routine maintenance will lengthen the life of your *Sapling*! Clean out some, but not all, of the ashes when the unit has cooled after each use. The best practice is to clean out the barrel completely and oil the inside of the barrel when not in use for extended periods of time.

Unless your *Sapling* can be stored in a garage or barn, you should cover it when not in use. Consider purchasing the *Sapling Grill Cover* for this purpose. If water gets in your barrel, be sure to dump it out, dry it out, and apply another layer of oil to discourage rust.

Expansion and contraction caused by heating, cooling and exposure to the elements may eventually cause some cracking, flaking or thinning in the paint on your *Sapling*. If you notice this, after the barrel has cooled, sand the area with your 100-grit sandpaper and repaint effected areas with the *Sapling Flat Black Paint*. Apply oil after the paint has dried.

Maintaining your Sapling Evaporator Pan

Your pan will likely have some deposits/scaling after use. To clean, mix 1 tablespoon of the baking soda with 5 gallons of water. Put the solution in the pan until the coating to be removed is covered with water. Simmer the solution for a minimum of one hour and ideally until you see the deposits dissolve. Leave the pan overnight. Brush off the loose scale with a soft material (do not scour!) and rinse the pan. If deposits remain, you may want to repeat the process. Store your pan in an indoor location.