

Beeswax Wraps Are A Great Alternative to Plastic Wrap. Here's Our Top Pick (UK 2018)

Beeswax food wraps are a fantastic plastic-free, zero-waste alternative to cling film. They're attractive, easy-to-use and 100% biodegradable, they come in a wide range of sizes and designs, and they're perfect for the whole family.

What's not to like about them?

To help you decide which beeswax food wrap to choose, we've created a list of our favourites that are available in the UK in 2018.

What exactly is a beeswax wrap?

A beeswax food wrap is simply a square or rectangle of cotton which has been coated with a blend of beeswax, pine resin, and jojoba or coconut oil. This coating makes the cloth waterproof but breathable too.

You can use them to keep your cheese fresh, to wrap up your fruits and veggies (avoid acidic fruits like pineapple), to store your bread, cakes, cookies and other baked goods, to cover your freshly-made dough and for much more besides.

These food wraps make wonderful plastic-free storage options for school and college lunchboxes, picnics and work lunches too.

You can find them across the UK in health food stores, specialist markets and online.

How to wrap your food using a beeswax food wrap

If you're used to using cling film, getting started with beeswax food wraps can take a bit of practice, but it's very easy once you know how!

Simply use the natural heat of your hands to gently warm your food wrap so it becomes more bendy and slightly 'sticky'. Then wrap and store.

Here are our two favourite beeswax food wrapping techniques:

- 1) Place your food inside, lift the bottom to cover, tuck in the sides, then continue to roll up like a Mexican-style wrap.

- 2) Pop your food right onto the middle, lift two opposite corners into the centre and seal. Repeat with the other opposite corners. Voila! A dumpling-style food wrap.

TIP: The key to keeping your food fresh is to keep everything wrapped tightly with a minimum of air.

How to care for your beeswax wrap

Beeswax food wraps are very easy to care for when you know how.

After each use, simply brush off or wash with cool water and hang to dry. Then you can simply store in a drawer or on your counter until you're ready to use again.

If you start to notice cracks or creases, you can reset the wax by popping into a very low oven for a minute or so. Alternatively, you can also pop your food wrap onto your ironing board, covering with a thin towel and quickly passing the iron over the top.

If you care for your wraps properly, they could last you for a year or more. Once the life of your beeswax food wraps have come to an end, you can simply cut into strips and pop onto the compost heap.

What are the best beeswax food wraps available in the UK?

So, without any further ado, here's our list of our top five beeswax food wraps...

Bee's Wrap Assorted Wraps

Bee's wraps are handcrafted in the US using care and love.

The beeswax comes from sustainably-managed hives, they use only organic jojoba oil and their fabric and printing is certified by the Global Organic Textile Standard. This makes them a fabulous option for reducing your single-use plastic waste and making better zero-waste lifestyle choices.

Their beeswax wraps come in a wide variety of bright and cheerful colours, and they offer packs containing three sizes- small, medium and large.

Buy Bee's wraps [here](#).

Eco Habit 100% Natural Beeswax Food Wraps

Eco Habit beeswax food wraps are created on the South Coast of England by a small, family-run business. Passionate about reducing the amount of plastic waste in the world, they create beautiful bright food wraps with cute patterns that your whole family will adore.

As you'd expect from a small, local business, they also offer wonderful support and advice on how to get the most from their beeswax food wraps plus same day 1st class postage if you order before 2pm.

Buy Eco Habit's wraps [here](#).

Archie Organic Beeswax Wraps

If you're looking for a more understated alternative to cling film and single-use plastics, Archie Organic's beeswax wraps will be right up your street.

Eco-friendly and cost-effective, they're made from 100% organic cotton, work great when it comes to cold food storage and comes with a 100% satisfaction guarantee.

Buy Archie Organic's beeswax wraps [here](#).

Wrappy Bee Reusable Organic Beeswax Food Wraps

Wrappy Bee's organic beeswax food wraps make a perfect zero-waste gift for the holiday season, or the ideal addition to any zero-waste household.

The design is chic yet understated, they're created using certified organic cotton, organic beeswax, organic jojoba oil and natural pine resin and they're the best biodegradable option around. Coming in a 3-pack with one extra small wrap absolutely free, this is the option if you're encouraging your family to use less plastic.

Buy Wrappy Bee's organic beeswax wraps [here](#).

The Beeswax Wrap Co. Beeswax Wraps

Looking for a high-quality beeswax wrap that shares your eco-friendly values and looks amazing? Check out the stunning handmade designs on offer from this eco-minded company, based in Stroud, England.

Their wraps are made from certified organic cotton, low-impact dyes, organic jojoba oil, pine resin and UK-sources beeswax from within a 30-mile radius of their workshop. This makes buying local bring a whole new meaning to 'buy local'.

Unlike many other companies, they also offer a variety of beeswax food wrap designs that will appeal to the whole family, including those young kiddies, teenagers, men and the rest of the family.

Buy the Beeswax Wrap Co.'s beeswax wraps [here](#).

Beeswax food wraps are the perfect zero-waste alternative to cling film and plastic wrap. Reusable, easy to clean and care for, and fully compostable, they're the must-have item for any zero-waste home.