

# Drybees Care Guide

## Preparing For Use

Please pre-wash your Drybees cloth diapers before use. Wash your diaper in warm water with a reduced amount of detergent. You may dry your Drybees Cloth Diapers in a low dryer, or outside on a clothesline. Wait until diapers are completely cool before stretching, pulling on, or stuffing diapers or you can ruin your elastics. DryBees Pockets, Night Times, or Hybrid AIO's are all washed the same. Brightly colored night time diapers should be washed separately the first time because some of the outer fleeces do bleed for the first wash. Washing brightly colored laminated diapers in extremely hot or boiling water may cause these diapers to bleed or delaminate. Generally, this is a guideline for international customers as their washing water tends to be much hotter than what we use in the USA.

Microfiber inserts should be pre-washed on hot with reduced detergent. Please dry your microfiber inserts on low in your dryer or outside on a clothesline.

Bamboo Diapers should be prewashed two times or more for best absorbency before use. Bamboo fabric should be handled more gently. Do not stretch while wet or fresh out of the dryer. When line hanging Bamboo diapers hang so you are not pulling in the direction of the stretchiest part of the diaper (ie, hang sideways for diaper and soaker)

## Storing your Dirty Drybees Cloth Diapers

We recommend you store your diapers using in a dry pail until wash day. The "wet pail" method has been shown to be a drowning hazard for young children so we only use and recommend the "dry pail" method. The wet pail method will also drastically reduce the lifespan of your diapers. All you need is a trash can, diaper pail or wet bag or a combination. We recommend using a Wahmies pail liner inside of a diaper pail or kitchen size trash can. Even if your favorite retailer does not carry wahmies pail liners they will be able to special order one for you. Simply dump any solid poop into the toilet and put into the diaper pail where they will wait until wash day. Using a diaper sprayer attached to the commode can help spray any stuck on poop off the toilet. Remember that liquid breastfed poops don't need to come off the diaper. They are extremely water soluble and will wash right off in the washer.

## Washing your Drybees Cloth Diapers

Washing your Drybees cloth diapers is very easy. First, fold back your laundry tabs. This ensures that you won't find the dreaded "diaper snake" after you wash your diapers. Take care the first few times to match up the hook and loop carefully until your diaper tabs "learn" where to fold easily. Next pull out the inserts. Finally throw it all in the washing machine. Choose the warm water level that will completely cover all your diapers and use a reduced amount of detergent. Using water that is too hot or boiling can weaken the bond of the laminate to your outer fabric. You can use a second rinse to ensure all of the detergent is

rinsed out. Please tumble dry on your diapers on the low setting of your dryer or outside on a clothesline. Using a hot dryer can cause the lamination to stick together and pull apart.

## Tips and Tricks

Avoid using Free and Clear, baby detergent, detergent with optical brighteners, or cold processed (natural) soap based laundry detergents. These can leave a residue that builds up over time causing stinky dipes! A heavy smell of urine after your baby pees is an indication that your diapers need to be rinsed more completely.

If your Drybees Cloth Diapers get a stain, simply lay them out in the sun, and the sun will bleach away your stains naturally!

The waterproof material used to make Drybees Cloth Diapers is produced with a non solvent based method. This is a more environmentally safe way to produce laminated fabric and is better for you baby. Our laminate may look different than other companies but is durable and will last with proper care. Never use bleach or excessive chlorine on your diapers as this can weaken the bond of the laminate to the outer fabric. While bleaching your diapers may work the first 20 times it is doing damage to your diapers and is not recommended.

If your diaper suddenly starts leaking then it is usually a.) you need more absorbency or b.) you need a better fit. What fit good and was enough stuffing yesterday can change overnight as your baby grows and develops and may not work today. If your insert is not wet at all then you need to re-evaluate your washing routine as your baby's urine is being blocked by residue left in the fabric. Unless your diaper is leaking straight out the middle of the diaper it is not defective, it is a growing baby that needs adjustments in his diapering routine.