



Organic Cotton Information Sheet

Organic Cotton is a biobased alternative to fossil-fuel based fabrics (such as the most common forms of polyester). Whilst it still requires some chemical manipulation to turn the plants into fabric, Organic Cotton is widely recognised as a more environmentally conscious alternative to polyester.



Eco Credentials	Reality Check
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Organic Cotton is grown without the use of genetically modified seeds.Organic Cotton is often grown without synthetic fertilisers and herbicides.Crops can be used efficiently, minimising waste (e.g. lint used for cotton fibre and seeds for cottonseed oil).Organic Cotton is believed to possess antibacterial and antifungal properties.Most Organic Cotton is suitable for dying with natural/vegetable-based dyes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Crops still undergo chemical manipulation to be turned from plants into fabric (however, these can be re-captured and re-used to create a closed loop system).Organic Cotton requires more land and water to grow than most similar crops.