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[Packing Smart, Stylish, Safe Lunches: Comment to WIN! \(http://ecochildsplay.com/2008/12/08/packing-smart-stylish-safe-lunches-comment-to-win/\)](http://ecochildsplay.com/2008/12/08/packing-smart-stylish-safe-lunches-comment-to-win/)



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http://ecochildsplay.com/files/2008/12/medium_flag_lg.jpg Comments are NOW CLOSED. Congratulations to Natalie who had the winning comment! (updated 12/15/08).

I'm a fan of the [waste free lunch \(http://ecochildsplay.com/2008/09/04/lunches-they-love/\)](http://ecochildsplay.com/2008/09/04/lunches-they-love/). The last thing I want to do is send my kids or husband off with a trash filled lunch. Even more important is to keep their food [safe \(http://ecochildsplay.com/2008/11/30/another-reason-we-cant-trust-the-fda-melamine-is-now-safe-for-infant-consumption/\)](http://ecochildsplay.com/2008/11/30/another-reason-we-cant-trust-the-fda-melamine-is-now-safe-for-infant-consumption/). My family also appreciates a lunch that still resembles the food it is when they open it several hours after I've packed it.

Enter my new favorite way to pack lunches, [LunchSense \(http://lunchsense.com/\)](http://lunchsense.com/). These innovative lunch systems meet every requirement I have! They enable a waste free lunch, are made out of safe materials which means my family won't be ingesting leached in chemicals and the boxes are even machine washable!

What I really love are the inner containers. The lunch boxes come with a set of fully lidded containers made of polypropylene (#5) and the drink containers are polypropylene or polyethylene (#2). In the words of Nancy Owen Myers- founder of LunchSense, "These (plastics) are considered by GreenPeace and others as "food-safe", but I prefer to use the term "time-tested"."

More information and contest after the jump.

- » See also: [Last Minute Green Halloween Tip: Iconic Necco Wafers Go All-Natural \(http://ecochildsplay.com/2009/10/29/last-minute-green-halloween-tip-iconic-necco-wafers-go-all-natural/\)](http://ecochildsplay.com/2009/10/29/last-minute-green-halloween-tip-iconic-necco-wafers-go-all-natural/)
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http://ecochildsplay.com/files/2008/12/purple_open.gif We were sent the medium box to try out and once I got used to opening and closing the box (a matter of minutes), I really enjoyed it! Did I mention that the box itself folds out into a lunch mat (which also makes for easier cleaning, simply fold it out and wipe down or toss into the washing machine). My husband was impressed and he is a hard one to please. He thought the boxes were appropriate for all ages (kids and adults alike) and really appreciated that all the containers have lids. Lack of lidded containers is his biggest pet peeve with our children's current lunch systems.

Of course, the box and containers are all free of [BPA \(http://ecochildsplay.com/2008/10/15/keeping-bpa-out-of-our-children-no-amount-is-safe-for-my-child/\)](http://ecochildsplay.com/2008/10/15/keeping-bpa-out-of-our-children-no-amount-is-safe-for-my-child/), [Lead \(http://ecochildsplay.com/2007/02/20/more-lead-hazards-lunchboxes/\)](http://ecochildsplay.com/2007/02/20/more-lead-hazards-lunchboxes/) and [PVC \(http://ecochildsplay.com/2008/10/06/honey-we-shrank-his-penis/\)](http://ecochildsplay.com/2008/10/06/honey-we-shrank-his-penis/). We don't want those nasties in our food storage or anywhere near our children!



http://ecochildsplay.com/files/2008/12/medium_closed_lg.jpg The website touts these boxes as [EASY, HEALTHY, and COOL \(http://www.lunchsense.com/home/lun/listitems_19/whylunchsense.html\)](http://www.lunchsense.com/home/lun/listitems_19/whylunchsense.html). What more could we ask for in a food storage and transport system? You may also be glad to hear that your lunch system may arrive in any number of (other companies) cardboard boxes. LunchSense believes in reusing cardboard boxes versus recycling them. Why not get



the maximum life possible out of a shipping box?

LunchSense has offered to make one of you ultra cool with their hip, new, colorful lunch system. Simply visit [LunchSense \(http://www.lunchsense.com/home/lun/index.html\)](http://www.lunchsense.com/home/lun/index.html), take a look at the site and products, then come back here to leave a comment with what you liked, your name, and your email address.

Comments are open until Monday, December 15th at 7:00 AM PST. The winner will be selected from all properly submitted comments using a random number generator and will be notified via email and posted on Eco Child's Play by 5pm on Dec.15th. The winner gets to choose box size and color! Open to

residents of the United States.

If you want to place an order with [LunchSense \(http://lunchsense.com/\)](http://lunchsense.com/), please do so. If you win the drawing, [LunchSense \(http://lunchsense.com/\)](http://lunchsense.com/) will issue you a refund to make your box FREE or you can choose to receive a second box.

Eat well. Be well.

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[Free Stuff in Time for the Holidays!!!! « Looks Good in Polka Dots](#) said on [December 8th, 2008 at 8:11 am](#)

[...] box, lunch, lunch box, lunchsense, pvc free lunch box, Reviews, Win Me | Jump on over to Eco Child's Play where we are giving away a LunchSense System. Simply comment to [...]

2. 2



[Jen](#) said on [December 8th, 2008 at 8:34 am](#)

What a great idea! I've struggled to find something easy and safe to use for my daughter. Do you know if the containers are microwavable or not?

3. 3



[rae](#) said on [December 8th, 2008 at 8:59 am](#)

what a cool product!

4. 4



[Anna](#) said on [December 8th, 2008 at 9:21 am](#)

I like the medium size blue lunchbox for my younger two boys. I especially like that they have a large bag to incorporate afternoon snacks for

those children who have afterschool programs.

I wish that one of the packable lunch box makers would make a lunch box for teenage boys in high school. I know for my boys they would never carry that lunch box. Perhaps something that looks like a soccer or swim bag perhaps at an affordable price?

Great contest.

Anna <http://www.green-talk.com>

5. 5

Tenille said on [December 8th, 2008 at 9:36 am](#)



That is too cool! I want one!

6. 6

Alexandra P. said on [December 8th, 2008 at 10:00 am](#)



I'd love the large lunch box! I eat two small meals at work so all those containers would be great for my "mini meals". Wonderful!

7. 7

Leslie said on [December 8th, 2008 at 10:08 am](#)



What is there not to like? I am young, single, and lacking in disposable income, and trying to be as eco-friendly as possible. I have spent a while re-using plastic baggies and pushing packed lunches into tubular plastic bread bags but I am now learning more about chemical leaching and I can't do it anymore! I'm a teacher and this box would not only be great for me but I can see how both the kids and parents at school would be very intrigued by the many positive attributes of this lunch system. Happy packing, everyone!

8. 8

Corey~ living and loving said on [December 8th, 2008 at 10:08 am](#)



I love it all. I really like how it folds out to a mat. That rocks! Thanks for pointing me in the right direction for these healthy lunch packing choices.

Corey

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9. 9

Marla said on [December 8th, 2008 at 12:20 pm](#)



My daughter would love the small purple box!

10. 10

Amanda said on [December 8th, 2008 at 1:45 pm](#)



I could see myself using something like this! I am so tired of all the yucky crumb build up in our lunch boxes. I homeschool my two kids, so I like the large set, so the three of us can carry lunch on our frequent field trips and outings.

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