





Mattress Accessories

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About Debra Lynn Dadd Recommended Products

Consumer advocate **Debra Lynn Dadd** has been finding and recommending the least toxic products available in the marketplace for more than three decades, publishing her recommendations first in books and then on the Internet.

She already has—at www.debraslist.com—the largest and most comprehensive directory of websites that sell the least toxic products that exist today, with 100s of links to 1000s of products in a broad range of categories. Her recommendations are trusted because people who shop on the websites she recommends often experience improvement in their quality of life, and thus continue to seek out and use additional least-toxic products.

Now, **Debra Lynn Dadd Recommended Products** takes Debra's recommendations one step further by evaluating specific products.

Unlike seals and certifications, Debra provides a written Letter of Recommendation and logo along with a Materials Review. The Review describes in detail why she considers the product to be unlikely to do harm to the consumer under normal use.

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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Naturepedic Mattress Accessories

Manufacturer: Naturepedic, Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44023 USA Valid from 3/1/16 to 3/1/17

To Whom It May Concern:

I have reviewed the materials used to make the following listed products, based on information provided to me by the manufacturer and available publicly on their website. I used publicly available scientific data on the possible health effects of each material to determine that these products meet my personal standards, based on 30+ years of experience as a consumer advocate for least-toxic products. Further details are in the attached Materials Review.

- Organic Ultra Breathable Mattress Covers
- Organic Mattress Protection Pads
- Organic Quilted Mattress Pads
- Organic Mattress Toppers / Pillowtops
- Organic Pillows & Pillowcases
- Organic Cotton Sheets
- Organic Changing Table Pads & Covers

I charge fees for my work reviewing materials, writing the Materials Review, and for the right to publicly display the Debra Lynn Dadd Recommended Products logo, Letter of Recommendation and Materials Review on the manufacturer's website and other promotional materials. Naturepedic has paid these fees.

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MATERIALS REVIEW

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I have asked the manufacturer for a list of all materials used, and the manufacturer has acknowledged that all materials have been provided for my evaluation.

The purpose of this Materials Review is to show that the materials used to make the products I recommend are unlikely to do harm to the user of the products under normal use.

I have been recommending Naturepedic mattresses and mattress accessories on my Debra's List website (www.debraslist.com) since I became aware of the company in 2008.

Founder Barry Cik is a Board Certified Environmental Engineer who has been chasing toxic chemicals for more than thirty years. He is also a Certified Hazardous Materials Manager and a Certified Diplomate Forensic Engineer. When his first grandchild was born, Barry couldn't find a mattress that met his standards for his grandchild to sleep on, so he made one. Thus Naturepedic was born. Over the years, they began to manufacture mattresses accessories as well.



I have evaluated the materials used to make Naturepedic mattress accessories and found them to be among the least toxic materials that I know of that can be used to make mattress accessories.

In addition, their materials and manufacturing processes have been independently certified to strict nontoxic standards by third party organizations.

Naturepedic is certified by the **Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS)** as a **certified organic mattress and mattress accessories manufacturer and facility**. This provides assurance that the certified organic fiber-based products meet organic and nontoxic standards.

Naturepedic is also certified by Global Organic Latex Standard (GOLS) as a manufacturer of products made with latex.

All Naturepedic mattress accessories are certified organic per GOTS and/or GOLS.

The following materials are used in Naturepedic mattress accessories:

- GOTS Certified Organic Cotton
- GOTS Certified Organic Wool
- GOLS Certified Organic Latex
- Steel
- Other Materials: Non-GMO polylactide (PLA). polypropylene, and polyester these materials are considered by GOTS to be sufficiently nontoxic for use in organic mattress accessories.

To the best of my knowledge, this is the complete list of materials used to make the products listed in the Recommendation.

All Naturepedic mattress accessories are made in the USA of domestic and imported fiber, fabrics and other components. All fibers, fabrics, and other materials that can be sourced in the USA are sourced in the USA. Those materials that cannot be sourced in the USA are GOTS-approved.

All mattress accesories are protected from exposure to toxic chemicals during shipping by food-grade polyethylene bags.

I personally have visited their manufacturing facility. There are no assembly lines. A team of real people work cooperatively together to cut, sew, construct, inspect and pack each mattress, using low-tech machines as well as various hand tools.

The environment is clean and fragrance-free. No toxic cleaners, pesticides, or other toxic chemicals are used in the building.

Naturepedic does not use the following materials commonly found in conventional mattresses and/or mattress accessories:

- Polyurethane foam and associated fire retardants
- Vinyl and associated phthalates
- Antimony
- Perfluorinated compounds
- Formaldehyde
- Pesticides
- GMOs
- Adhesives

After visiting their facility and examining their products, reviewing their website and certifications, and speaking with the owners and staff, I recommend the Naturepedic products listed in my Letter of Recommendation as products that are unlikely to do harm to the consumer under normal use.

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DISCLAIMER

The purpose of this Product Recommendation is simply to make known that the recommended products do not contain materials that may do harm, to the best of my knowledge. I speak not as a scientist or toxicologist, but as an educated consumer advocate. I am not a medical doctor and I am not giving medical advice. My intent in providing this Product Recommendation is simply to offer you information that may help you, in your own choice to eliminate toxic exposures from your life.