

Your handy guide to fresh air, thanks to the world of tech

Humans of late capitalism—rejoice, for you too, will be able to breathe clean air at home, the office or the commute in between. With the following tech products (one of which has been in development for billions of years, if you'll believe it), you can put those Air Quality Index alarm bells to rest and breathe (!) easy. While finding a permanent solution to air pollution is currently out of our individual hands, we can all benefit from having these products for the sake of living somewhat healthy.



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Indoor air-purifier — Hitachi EP-NZG70J

With a medical grade, multi-layered HEPA air-filter that removes nearly 99% of particles, dust, pollen and airborne mould in air, the Hitachi EP-NZG70J comes with a Allergy UK seal of approval and is guaranteed to reduce coughing, wheezing, sneezing, and occasional desires to revolt against the fossil fuels industry. It comes with a low noise (only 15 dB) operation mode so it won't keep you awake at night, as well as

an eco mode that limits electricity consumption. With a 13 square meter coverage, almost any room in the house can be purified easily against dust, particles and allergens. This Japanese made air-purifier is available locally through Transcom Digital showrooms and their website, now with a 5% discount available on the BDT 45,966 sticker price, just for our readers. You're welcome.

Air quality monitor — IQAir AirVisual Pro

IQAir is a brand that goes by the tagline "First in Air Quality", and honestly, their catalogue of products could have filled this entire list. The AirVisual Pro is probably one of the most significant parts of your filtered air setup, however. With professional grade sensors that can detect tiny particles (all the way down to

0.3 microns) accurately and easy integration with other smart-home products like Google Home, AirVisual Pro also makes the science easy to decipher with swanky visuals. A bit steep at USD \$270, but then messing up the environment should be expensive, no?



The original air-purifier — Aloe Vera plant

Aloe Vera plants might not come with fancy screens or the need to be plugged in, but if you think about how those screens and electric power typically come from coal power, this humble little creation of nature seems to be a solid alternative. Aside from being one of nature's toughest anti-pollutant plants, Aloe is also great for the skin and helps with a whole range of medical conditions. It is



widely available as well, at your nearest nursery.

Future proofing the whole family — CoverAll Microguard 3000

The name says it all—Coverall. If you're truly concerned about air-quality, climate change and humanity's slow but sure descent into anarchy—spurred on by our rampant destruction of the environment—it's a safe bet to future proof yourself. Skip all the puny air-purifiers and anti-pollution masks, just head straight for the Hazmat suit aisle and wear it everywhere. Yellow should always be the colour of choice, since Instagram has a tendency to make the colour flattering on just about anyone.



Anti-pollution mask — 3M N95 8210

With a name that just rolls off the tongue like PM2.5 rolls off your respiratory system, the N95 8210 by 3M is a fantastic anti-air-pollution mask that can stop nearly 95% of particulates in the air, including some of the finer ones. It was originally designed for mine workers, but then the very existence of mines kind of helped 3M with their business portfolio. It can be yours for BDT 2000, for a box of 20.

Canister of oxygen — Boost

Originally developed for mountain-climbers and athletes who operate in low-oxygen environments, Boost oxygen canisters contain 95% pure oxygen that can, at least for a bit of time, reduce your need for breathable air. This the world we live in, after all. If you're tired of good old natural air, you can even opt for flavours—peppermint, pink grapefruit or menthol-eucalyptus. They all cost the same, at about USD \$15.

