

## **What is a charcoal filter?**

*Activated charcoal is a great filter when used within the scope of its intended application. The intended applications for charcoal filtration include removal of heavy metals, chlorine and other specific contaminants. Charcoal is an excellent choice if you want to improve the taste/odor of the water. Some proponents of charcoal filters promote them for removing bacterial contamination. This is a complete misnomer and a charcoal filter should never be used in this type of situation as charcoal can actually provide a habitat that promotes bacteriological growth!*