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Stop Waste, End Waste



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1.4 BILLION POUNDS OF TRASH

Enters the Ocean each Year



Oil spills, toxic wastes, floating plastic and various other factors have all contributed to the pollution of the ocean.

MARINE LITTER BY TYPE



18%
Non-plastic waste

6%
Other plastics



27%
Plastic waste
from fishing gear

49%
Single-use
plastics (SUP)*



TOP 10 SINGLE-USE PLASTIC ITEMS FOUND ON SEA SHORES

- 1 Drink bottles, caps and lids
- 2 Cigarette butts
- 3 **Cotton buds sticks**
- 4 Crisp packets/sweet wrappers
- 5 Sanitary applications (sanitary towels, tampons etc.)
- 6 Plastic bags
- 7 **Cutlery, straws and stirrers**
- 8 Drinks cups and cup lids
- 9 Balloons and **balloon sticks**
- 10 Food containers, including fast food packaging



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How to stop PLASTIC POLLUTION IN THE OCEAN



Avoid the worst ocean plastic polluters - cigarette butts, food wrappers, straws, bottles, utensils, bags, lids, cups & plates.



Avoid synthetic clothing - by buying only natural fabrics & using microfiber bag to catch microplastics.



Reduce chemical pollutants like - cleaning detergents, laundry detergents, dishwashing tablets & personal care products. Buy natural ones.



Reduce, reuse, recycle plastics. Transform waste material into something useful & recycle the rest.



Organize/participate in beach cleanups - set an example & prevent plastic pollution from entering the oceans.



Avoid products that contain microbeads, like sunscreen, toothpaste, facial cleansers, body wash, foundation. Switch to zero waste alternatives.



Support ocean organizations - volunteer, join, donate, purchase their merchandise & show support on social networks.