



Plastic Pollution In The Ocean

The Ocean's Biggest Problem - **Plastic.**

What is The Problem?



The problem is the ocean is polluted with plastic. Plastic is killing over 100,000 marine animals and over 1 million seabirds a year. Also, there is “The Great Pacific Garbage Patch.” The Great Pacific Garbage Patch is a floating island of plastic, halfway between California and Hawaii. It is *twice* the size Texas. TWICE the size!

Plastic floating in the ocean twice the size of Texas is absolutely appalling.

What Can We Do?

What can we do? We can do lots. For example, we can cut down on our use of plastic. Plastic is killing the ocean. About one trillion single-use **plastic** bags are **used annually** across the globe. That's nearly 2 million every minute. More than half a billion **plastic** straws are **used** every day around the world.

Cutting down on plastic, can save the ocean, before it's too late.

In The Future...

By 2050, there will be more plastic than fish in the ocean. Right now, there are 3.5 TRILLION fish in the ocean. Having that much plastic floating in the ocean, we won't have a place to swim, unless you want to swim in an ocean full of garbage.

If we don't stop polluting now, we won't have a future.

The Cause of Pollution...



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What is our future?

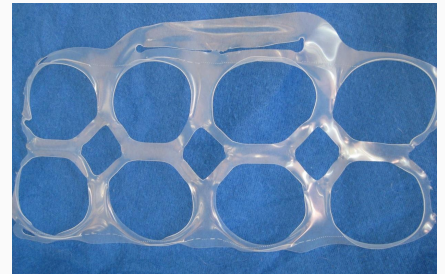
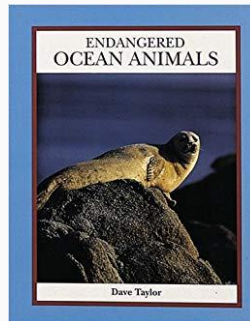
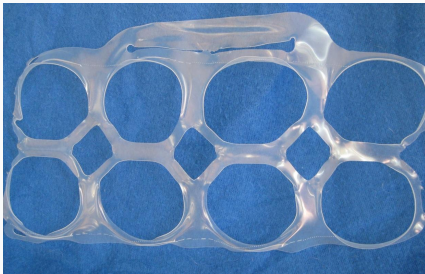
A Website

Since, pollution is such an issue, many people are trying to help. Someone who is determined is 4ocean. 4ocean is a website that sells bracelets that are made out of recycled plastic. Not only that, but when you buy a bracelet the money goes toward ocean animals. When you buy a bracelet you remove about 1 pound of garbage from the ocean. If you are unsure how to help the ocean, 4ocean.com is an amazing way to help!



A Book

“*Endangered Ocean Animals*” by *Dave Taylor* is a good book to read if you are interested in this subject. The book has pages on the endangered animals, and what made them endangered. Not only is it informational, but is a very interesting book, that tells you a lot about each animal, and what is causing pollution in the ocean!



A Video

A video that really makes you think is “*Great Pacific Garbage Patch*”. This video is showing where your garbage goes, and how 1 person can destroy an entire habitat. Watching the video really helps you understand how much just a single piece of plastic harms us and the environment around us.



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