

A Plastic Ocean

The Hidden Costs of Plastics



The largest landfill in the world was discovered in the middle of the Pacific Ocean in 1997 and is known as the Great Pacific Garbage Patch. Learn more about the Garbage Patch from Marcus Eriksen Ph.D., Director of Research and Education of the Algalita Marine Foundation. Prevent pollution by picking up a free reusable bag while at the presentation

Did you know?

- 1.37 million plastic bags were removed from coastal areas worldwide in just one day.
- Plastic never biodegrades and can release toxic chemicals into the environment.
- Up to 90% of floating debris is plastic.



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