

## AUSTRALIA'S SEVEN -- DAY PLASTIC PLEDGE



This year, Keep Australia Beautiful Week (16-22 August) helps bring awareness to our plastic problem and eliminate waste to protect Australia's precious biodiversity.

#### We are calling all Australians to:

- Make a pledge
  Choose what plastic year
  - Choose what plastic you're giving up for the week and commit!
- 2 Lead by example
  Swap out your single-use plastic item with our alternatives.
- 3 Spread the word!
  Inspire others by sharing how you're ditching plastic.

# 7 Plastic Items to Refuse Coffee cups and lids Takeaway packaging Single-use cutlery Plastic bottles Packaged fruit and vegetables Face masks

**Cotton buds** 

### Share your pledge to win!

To inspire our community to get involved, we are giving away prizes to a lucky winner who shares their plastic pledge.



Step 1

Record a short video or upload a photo of which plastic item(s) you are giving up for our 7-Day Plastic Challenge.



Step 2

Upload on our website.



Step 3

Share on social media and tag #KABWEEK2021.

#### Litter Facts

For #KABWeek2021, we're putting the spotlight on 7 single-use plastic items that often end up as litter. By making some small changes and swapping for our alternatives, we can all make a big difference to this beautiful country we call home.



#### **SINGLE-USE ITEM**

#### WHY THEY ARE BAD



#### **ALTERNATIVE**



Coffee cups and lids

Aussies discard 1 billion coffees every year. They are hard to recycle so mostly end up in landfill where they stay.



Reusable cup or ask for no lid



Takeaway packaging

Common source of recycling contamination.



**BYO** container



Single-use cutlery and condiments

Small but harmful, takeaway cutlery and condiments can't be recycled and are at higher risk of



**BYO** cutlery and say no to sauce



Plastic bottles

ending up as litter.

One of the most commonly found

plastic in the environment that

also harms our wildlife.



BYO refillable bottle



Cotton buds

There are 1.5 million buds produced every day worldwide and are responsible for up to 6% pollution in ocean and beaches cannot be recycled.



Buy plastic-free or reusable buds



Packaged fruit & vegetables

Soft plastic bags can't be recycled in kerbside bins and if they end up as litter, they can be ingested by marine life.



Buy loose or BYO mesh bags



Face masks

Single-use masks can't be recycled and with the increase in demand, we're sending billions to landfill every week.



Washable mask

#### ABOUT KEEP AUSTRALIA BEAUTIFUL

Keep Australia Beautiful is a national organisation recognised as Australia's independent leader in litter prevention for a litter-free and sustainable Australia. We also have an independent federation network in each State and Territory.







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