My Challenge Choices (Getting started) PLASTIC FREE JULY

O WHAT TO AVOID	HOW TO AVOID IT	YOUR IMPACT Ocean/Landfill/Global warming	YES, I'll do thes
Fill the yellow bin with plastics for 'recycling'	Avoid as much plastic packaging as you can		
Pre-packed fruit and veg	Choose loose products (skip the little plastic bag or put in a reusable bag)		
Lightweight plastic bags	Remember your reusable shopping bags or use a cardboard box		
Personal care products containing plastic microbeads	Check the products you buy for microbeads (polyethylene, polypropylene, nylon) visit beatthemicrobead.org		
Bottled cleaning products	Opt for refills, bulk store products or make your own alternatives. Choose glass or cardboard packaging		
Bagged dry foods	Buy from a bulk store (fill your reusable container) or opt for cardboard boxed product		
Pre-packed meat or fish	Shop at the deli counter or butcher or fishmonger for paper wrapped cuts or BYO reusable container		
Takeaway drink straws	Refuse plastic straws (or opt for a paper straw if they have them). BYO reusable straw		
Takeaway coffee cups	Bring your reusable cup or sit and enjoy a real cup		
Takeaway utensils and containers	Support vendors offering compostable alternatives (bamboo or card), BYO reusables or sit and enjoy 'dine-in'		
Bottled water	Fill a reusable bottle from the tap		
Bottled soft drinks	Reduce the amount (helps your health), or make your own with a sodastream or choose glass bottles (and recycle)		
Bin liners (or 'reusing' plastic shopping bags)	Have a sealed container for 'wet' scraps and compost or freeze until bin day. Line the kitchen bin with paper		
Scooping your pet poo in plastic bags	Buy cornstarch based compostable bags online or at a pet suppliers or consider a dedicated pet poo composting system at home		
Milk containers (plastic)	Choose waxed card or glass bottled brands (depending on your local glass recycling). Make your own nutmilk		
Plastic food wrap for leftovers and sandwiches	Use a reusable lunch box to store food, store food in containers or use beeswax wraps		
Littering: cigarette butts, balloons	Dispose of cigarette butts in the bin (they are plastic and wash into the ocean environment) Avoid releasing balloons (what goes up, must come down)		
Ignoring other people's litter	Pick up that plastic bag blowing in the street, empty food containers, straws etc.		

Avoid landfill waste

Reduce your eco-footprint

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