

World Beach Day

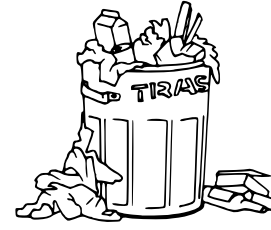
Special Edition



11 States



41 Beaches



42.880 kg of Solid Waste

World Beach Day

The World Beach Day is celebrated every third Saturday of September, in order to raise awareness in the population about the conservation of marine spaces and the environment.

This event was created in 1991, at the initiative of the organization The Ocean Conservancy, whose origin is based on the international coastal cleaning campaign called "International Coastal Clean Up", which is celebrated in more than 150 countries.

with this World Day it is intended to sensitize citizens to voluntarily join in activities and environmental maintenance work, for the improvement and conservation of marine-coastal spaces, through the collection and classification of solid waste on the beaches.

The beaches are vulnerable natural spaces. The environmental pollution of beaches, seas and oceans is generated by oil spills, accidental or intentional discharges from boats, sewage mouths and contamination by solid waste (glass and plastic bottles, cigarette butts, food wrappers, among others), considerably damaging the marine ecosystem. Furthermore, Climate Change impacts on the rise in sea level are affecting the natural habitats located in the coastal areas.

The amount of waste generated by people who go to the beaches has multiplied alarmingly. Most of the waste is plastic, whose material is not biodegradable, decomposing into small fragments that affect the seabed. They contain toxic chemicals that affect birds and fish, generating a highly harmful effects.

How is this World Day celebrated? The celebration of World Beach Day does not require a formal invitation to participate. You can simply join as a volunteer and participate in the cleaning days of the beaches of your locality.



MINEC Celebrates World Beach Day



The Ministry of Popular Power for Ecosocialism (MINEC), celebrates World Beach Day with environmental sanitation in 10 states of the country, in order to preserve the marine life that inhabits the Venezuelan coasts and to sensitize the population in the care of the themselves.

Some 26 beaches in Anzoátegui, Aragua, Carabobo, Delta Amacuro, La Guaira, Falcón, Miranda, Nueva Esparta, Sucre and Zulia, will be approached by 9,674 brigade members who, in addition to cleaning, will intervene in reforestation, awareness talks on the maintenance of the beaches, rallies beach and ecological games.

Venezuela has beautiful beaches that can almost connect those who visit them with the Paradise. There are those who emphasize that a trip to the beach is the most anticipated trip of the year, the sound of the coming and going of the waves has become a melody to lull babies and even to meditate.



We are celebrating today the World Beach Day, complying with the instructions of President Nicolás Maduro, we have deployed throughout the entire Venezuelan coast, more than 10,000 compatriots, organizations and Ecosocialist movements are doing sanitation and care for all our beaches at the national level, raising awareness to each of the men, women, boys, girls and adolescents, who came today to enjoy this celebration.

From the San Esteban National Park, Edo Carabobo, we have developed a beautiful day of surface and underwater cleaning in Isla Larga, and in the Bay of Patanemo where we started an ambitious program that deals with the eradication of a Highly invasive coral that for 15 years has been endangering the biota, marine fauna and the native corals of the area called Xenia SP, hoping to meet the goal of totally exterminating it, in approximately 5 or 7 weeks.

All this hand in hand with the Carabobo State Government through its Governor Rafael Lacava, with the Mayor's Office of the Municipality of Puerto Cabello, the Secretary of Government Jesús París, the Vice Minister of Youth and Sports Jessica Bello and with the logistical and operational support of the irreplaceable Bolivarian National Armed Forces. It is important to add that the private company Fundación Pilares Marinos is present in this project, providing joint technical support to the technical representatives of the Ministry of Ecosocialism. We continue in the unstoppable construction of Ecosocialist Venezuela.



EIGHT TONS OF WASTE COLLECTED FROM THE BEACHES OF ANZOÁTEGUI



This Saturday a total of eight tons of waste were collected on the coastline of the Anzoátegui state, as part of the celebration of World Beach Day. Katuska Homsí, state director of the Ministry of Popular Power for Ecosocialism (MINEC), said that "most of the waste removed from coastal marine ecosystems was remains of vegetation and plastics. The entity will be affected by heavy rainfall. This caused the rivers and streams to grow and drag plant material and garbage, which due to the effects of the marine currents and the tides are deposited on the beaches."

The official explained that thanks to the teams made up of the Venezuelan State institutions, oil companies, security forces, protectionist bodies, fishermen, foundations, organized community and civil society, 22 beaches located in the municipalities of Capistrano, Peñalver, Bolívar, Sotillo, were able to be intervened. As well as the Guanta, Urbaneja, the Areas Under Special Administration Regime (ABRAE) of the Mochima National Park and the Luis Cabeza Martínez Recreational Park.

"A great total of a thousand volunteers and 120 organizations that definitely gave the entire community a great message and that is that Anzoátegui cares, takes care of and takes care of its beaches, not only because of the biological functions they fulfill but because it is a space that is there at the service and for the enjoyment of all ", she stated.

Homsí recalled that in times of climate change the world's seas take on vital importance, because they are ecosystems that have large populations of algae and microalgae that also operate as carbon sinks. "Keeping our beaches clean, free of debris, especially plastics, is a matter of guaranteeing the well-being of our wildlife and fish species. It is a matter of public health and for the well-being of all," said the official who recalled that through the public and private sectors Anzoátegui has initiatives to promote a culture of recycling, which promotes sports and charitable activities such as the fight against cancer.

The head of the environmental office took the opportunity to thank once again each and every one of the people who put all their effort and dedication to make the day successful. "You are champions of the Earth and part of our environmental heroes from Anzoátegui ", she concluded.

ECOSOCIALISTAS SANEARON Y LIMPIARON EN CINCO PLAYAS DE LA GUAIRA

Deployed in five well-known beaches of La Guaira, more than four thousand volunteers, coordinated by the Ministry of Popular Power for Ecosocialism (MINEC), participated in a sanitation and cleaning day developed this Saturday on the occasion of World Beach Day. At the head of the volunteering was the Vice Minister of Residues and Waste of the MINEC, Luis Palacios, who from Playa Candilejas assured that the mobilization is a forceful sample of the ecosocialists, who were activated by the date.

"Taking care of the beaches is nothing more than the integrality between society and the specific use of the beaches. They are sources of food also of species that make direct contact with the beaches for their reproduction. The issue about reefs, it is a matter of importance of our biodiversity ", he said.

In Candilejas, Vice Minister Palacios was accompanied by the Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Juan Laya, the candidate for the governor of La Guaira for the United Socialist Party of Venezuela (PSUV) José Alejandro Terán, members of the Bolivarian National Police (PNB) from the aquatic division, local fishermen and spokesmen for the People's Power.

Ecosocialists cleaned up the aforementioned Candilejas, Macuto, Coral and Playa Taguao in Las Salinas, in an action that took place simultaneously on 21 more beaches in the country, with the intervention of another 5,619 people altogether.

In this sense, Vice Minister Palacios affirmed that the action is more than cleaning because it is "an eco-socialist mobilization, to advance awareness about the non-use of single-use, disposable packaging that is thrown away. Beyond any political action, it is to understand that the quality of these aquatic systems is an integrated ecosocial system of importance for the country" he said. Finally, Palacios highlighted the case of fishermen who joined the removal of solid waste that was on the seabed and those from the waters inside the sea, an operation that he described as "important to guarantee the next reproductive elements of our species on the coast and also to ensure the quality of the water for the enjoyment of the entire population."





This is how we celebrate World Beaches Day in #Zulia, this Saturday # 18sep with a day of solid waste collection and planting at El Rosario beach, Barrancas sector, José Cenobio Urribarrí parish of Santa Rita Municipality. Managing to collect 500 kilos of waste and raise awareness in the community about keeping the beaches in good condition, respecting its ecosystem, as a strategic line instructed by the Minister @josuelorca.

The representatives of the Territorial Unit of Ecosocialism, entities attached to the MINEC, the State Coordination of Environmental Nursery, Coastal Surveillance and the Command of Zone 11 of the #GNB, the Secretariat of Infrastructure of the Government of Zulia, @mevenzulia and the popular power participated.



WORLD BEACH DAY

Following instructions from our Minister Josue Lorca and the Director of MINEC Sucre, Pedro Figueroa, and within the framework of World Beaches Day, the environmental awareness and sanitation day was held in the Valdez Municipality (Balneario de Guiria), in the Bermudez Municipality (Playa Guayacán de Pescador) and in the Sucre Municipality (Playa San Luis). Being the central activity, the latter, carried out in Cumaná City, with the participation of the mayor of the Sucre Municipality, and the next reelected mayor, Luis Sifonte and his work team, also Environmental Guard, Coastal Surveillance, INPARQUE, The Tree Mission, CORSOTUR, MINTUR, INEA, ONA, Public Ministry, private company (Cocacola and Naviarca) and MINEC. Being the amount of solid waste collected, between: plastic, glass, wood and organic matter, * 320Kg *.



With cleaning operation they celebrate World Beach Day in Miranda

Some 1,125 kilograms of solid waste were collected in the Los Totumos Spa, in Higuerote, Bríón Municipality, during a day promoted by the Ministry of Tourism of the Miranda state as part of the activities planned for World Beach Day. Lorena Lin, head of the tourism department of the Mirandina Government, explained that more than 150 volunteers and institutions such as the Ministry of Tourism, the Miranda Police, the Ministry of Ecosocialism, the Socialist Institute of Fisheries and Aquaculture, the Venezuelan Federation of Underwater Activities, service providers and private companies linked to tourism participated in this awareness-raising activity.

This year, the World Beach Day in Los Totumos had the incorporation of divers to collect debris at the bottom of the sea. "Not only were we cleaning up the coastal areas, but this time volunteers from the Federation of Underwater Activities joined to clean up the seabed, a space that can accumulate large amounts of waste. There were more than 30 divers in freediving and pumping modes" Lin explained.



Hundreds of volunteers collect garbage on beaches in Panama to raise awareness

Three volunteers carried this Saturday, walking slowly over the mud, the remains of a sofa that the ocean dragged to one of the main coasts of Panama City, where garbage accumulates by tons.

In one of the most exclusive areas of the Panamanian capital, Costa del Este, the garbage discarded by the Pacific Ocean is piled up and this Saturday dozens of volunteers, including ambassadors and diplomats of the European Union, collect it to join the World Cleaning Day and Month of the Oceans.

Under the strong tropical heat and the characteristic glass skyscrapers of this part of the capital, around 250 volunteers - including adults, adolescents and children - remove almost three tons of waste, mostly plastic, cloth and wood, piling it up in garbage bags. "You have to raise awareness since childhood. I asked my daughter this morning if she preferred a swimming pool or cleaning the beach, and she told me that she wanted to save the planet" Mariana García, a 35-year-old volunteer who attended the activity with her family said.



Philippines: Eliminate plastic waste from corals on the World Beach Day

Divers in the Philippines, removed plastic bags, drink bottles and fishing nets from a reef this Saturday, joining an annual cleanup that aims to highlight the impact of trash on the world's oceans. About a dozen divers cleared trash from the reef and nearby beaches in commemoration of World Beach Day in Batangas province, a popular snorkeling and diving spot south of the capital Manila.

"For every fishing line or net you remove, you could actually prevent a turtle from dying or getting trapped in it or eating a plastic bag," Carmela Sevilla, organizer of the activity, told Reuters News Agency while holding a mesh bag full of garbage. The Philippines, an archipelago of more than 7,600 islands with almost 36,300 km of coastline, is one of the richest countries in marine resources in the world. But activists say its marine resources are threatened by the negligence of local authorities and the lax enforcement of environmental laws.

Another cleanup participant, Haley Osbourne, 35 year old, a Canadian who has lived in the Philippines for five years, said all divers should do the part of it by picking up any trash they find underwater. Most of the plastic trash that ruins the world's oceans comes from rivers and coasts.

Overall, an estimated 81 percent of the waste comes from Asia, and a third of Asian plastic originates from the Philippines, according to a 2021 report by Our World in Data, an online scientific publication. World Beach Day is celebrated annually on the third Saturday of September.



Poema a la Playa

PLAYERA

Filósofo es el mar: se alza y se llena;
y después de estallar en broncos ruidos,
corta su voz, apaga sus latidos,
y se dilata en la extensión serena.

Sabe que hay una ley que lo refrena;
y, sus sueños al ver desvanecidos,
se queja con furiosos alaridos
y como un gladiador rueda en la arena.

Almas que el ansia de luchar obstina:
venid conmigo a la arenosa raya,
y veréis cómo el mar también, se inclina;

que el rendirse ¡ay! cuando el vigor se abruma,
es solamente respetar la playa,
y dejar de ser ola, y ser espuma!...

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Poem to the Beach

From the Beach

Philosopher is the sea: it rises and fills;
and after bursting into rude noises,
He cuts off his voice, turns off his heartbeat,
and he expands in the serene expanse.

He knows that there is a law that restrains him;
and, the dreams of him when seeing faded,
he complains with furious howls
and like a gladiator rolls in the sand.


Souls that the desire to fight stubborn:
come with me to the sandy strip,
and you will see how the sea also, he inclines;

than surrender, oh! when vigor is overwhelmed,
it is only to respect the beach,
and stop being a wave, and be foam! ...

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