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HOW YOU CAN HELP PROTECT OUR CORAL REEFS

- 1.) Support local conservation organizations & programs like Save Our Seas and Surfrider foundation!
- 2.) Support green and reef-friendly businesses &/or encourage businesses to support reef management and education activities.
- 3.) Get educated -learn more about our oceans & reefs so you can help others understand their value.
- 4.) Take steps to decrease overfishing -support sustainable fishing practices.
- 5.) Support legislation to protect Hawai'i's reefs and inform yourself about existing laws
- 6.) Get involved in monitoring your local marine or aquatic environment
- 7.) Prevent marine water pollution - avoid chemical fertilizers, pesticides & herbicides & minimize your own sewage & runoff by decreasing impervious surfaces.
- 8.) Support the creation and maintenance of marine parks and reserves.
- 9.) Promote sustainable development - coastal overdevelopment is one of the ocean 's largest threats.
- 10.) Reduce your plastic consumption -avoid plastic grocery bags, cut sixpack rings & recycle.
- 11.) Reduce your carbon footprint.
- 12.) Choose sustainable seafood (seafoodwatch.org & MBA seafoodwatch).
- 13.) Never anchor directly onto reefs -anchor in sand or on moorings & support ecotourism that follows this rule.
- 14.) Choose environmentally friendly detergents & other products.
- 15.) Be an "informed aquarist" -don't buy gathered species & don't dump your aquarium fish into water bodies.

"Take only pictures & memories, leave only footprints & bubbles"