



You love the ocean.

You care about a clean, safe sea.

Do you know?

TRASH IS THE ENEMY OF MARINE ORGANISMS: Every year, more than 100,000 marine turtles DIE because they swallow or get tangled with plastic bags. Trash also accumulates toxins, polluting the ocean and killing marine organisms.

TRASH HURTS MARINE ECONOMIES: Trash damages boats and equipment operated in the sea. Insurance companies have paid more than **\$50 MILLION** to repair the damage on boats caused by trash. Trash is one of the reasons why marine resources are depleted, threatening the lives of millions of fishermen.

TRASH RUINS TOURISTS' OPINION OF BEACHES AND COUNTRIES: 97% of tourists avoid beaches with more than 10 items of trash/meter (ENCAMS, 2005)

TRASH POSES TREMENDOUS HEALTH HAZARDS: Tourists and local residents risk stepping on pieces of glass on the beaches or contracting skin diseases when swimming in polluted water. Trash spreads viruses and dangerous bacteria.

And did you know?

There are more than **5 TRILLION** items of plastic trash with a total weight of nearly 270,000 TONS in the ocean.

VIETNAM IS AMONG TOP FIVE COUNTRIES DUMPING PLASTIC INTO THE WORLD which is ranked by mass of mismanaged plastic waste (Jenna R. Jambeck 2015)

Plastic wastes including plastic bags, beverage bottles and polystyrenes are top items found in the previous two "Action for a green Ha Long" programmes organized by Ha Long – Cat Ba Alliance. Such wastes have deteriorated the images of tourist attraction places and created bad impression on tourists.

JOIN THE FIGHT FOR A HEALTHY OCEAN !

Join us



Programme Schedule

TIME

ACTIVITY

Day 1

Clean-up Day

6.45 – 10.30

Depart from Hanoi

10.30 – 10.45

Programme Organisers

environmental protection, and specifically,
about the Ha Long Bay marine
environment

Have basic knowledge in collecting and
sorting trash

Be willing to speak up about the need for
much better waste management