



Environment Newsletter

District 410E - September 2022



World Rhino Day was conceived in 2010 by WWF South Africa, one of the national offices that comprise the World Wildlife Fund network. It was dedicated to the protection of African rhino species, the white rhinoceros and the black rhinoceros. The following year, the observance went international and encompassed both African and Asian rhinoceros species.

Although rhinoceros can be found only in Africa and Southern Asia, World Rhino Day events and activities are held in many countries outside these regions, from Australia to the United States. The celebration has become a worldwide phenomenon that unites non-governmental organizations, cause-related organizational, zoos, businesses and concerned members of the public on six continents.



World Rhino Day

[World Rhino Day / September 22, 2022 \(anydayguide.com\)](https://anydayguide.com)

- There are five species of rhino: black, white, greater one-horned rhinos, Javan and Sumatran. All Rhinoceros are herbivores, meaning that they only consume plants, and lots of them.
- The Black, Javan and Sumatran Rhinoceros species are all listed as Critically Endangered, meaning that they have a 50% chance of extinction within 3 generations.
- In 1960, there were more than 2,000 northern white rhinos in Africa. Today, there are only 2 of them remaining. The last male of the subspecies, Sudan, died March 19, 2018. He was the father and grandfather of the two remaining ones, both of which are females held in captivity in Kenya with round-the-clock armed security against poaching.
- The white rhino is the second largest land mammal on Earth after the elephant. White rhinos can weigh over 3500kg (7700lbs).
- *'The rhino is now more or less extinct, and it's not because of global warming or shrinking habitats. It's because of Beyoncé's handbags.'* - Steven Patrick Morrissey, British singer

The International Rhino Foundation celebrates the five species rhinos and all those who care about them. Join them on Team Rhino as they 'keep the five alive.' They will be sharing news, stories and posts about rhinos online all day.

They've created a [SOCIAL MEDIA TOOLKIT](#) for World Rhino Day with graphics and captions ready to go - and they promise to keep adding graphics as we get closer to Sept 22. Make sure to tag them when sharing your unique rhino posts on social media: (Facebook: @InternationalRhinoFoundation ; Twitter & Instagram: @rhinosirf) and/or use the World Rhino Day hashtags: **#WorldRhinoDay #WRD2022 #TeamRhino #KeeptheFiveAlive**



Millions of People in More Than 100 Countries Participate in World Rivers Day on the 4th Sunday of September Every Year

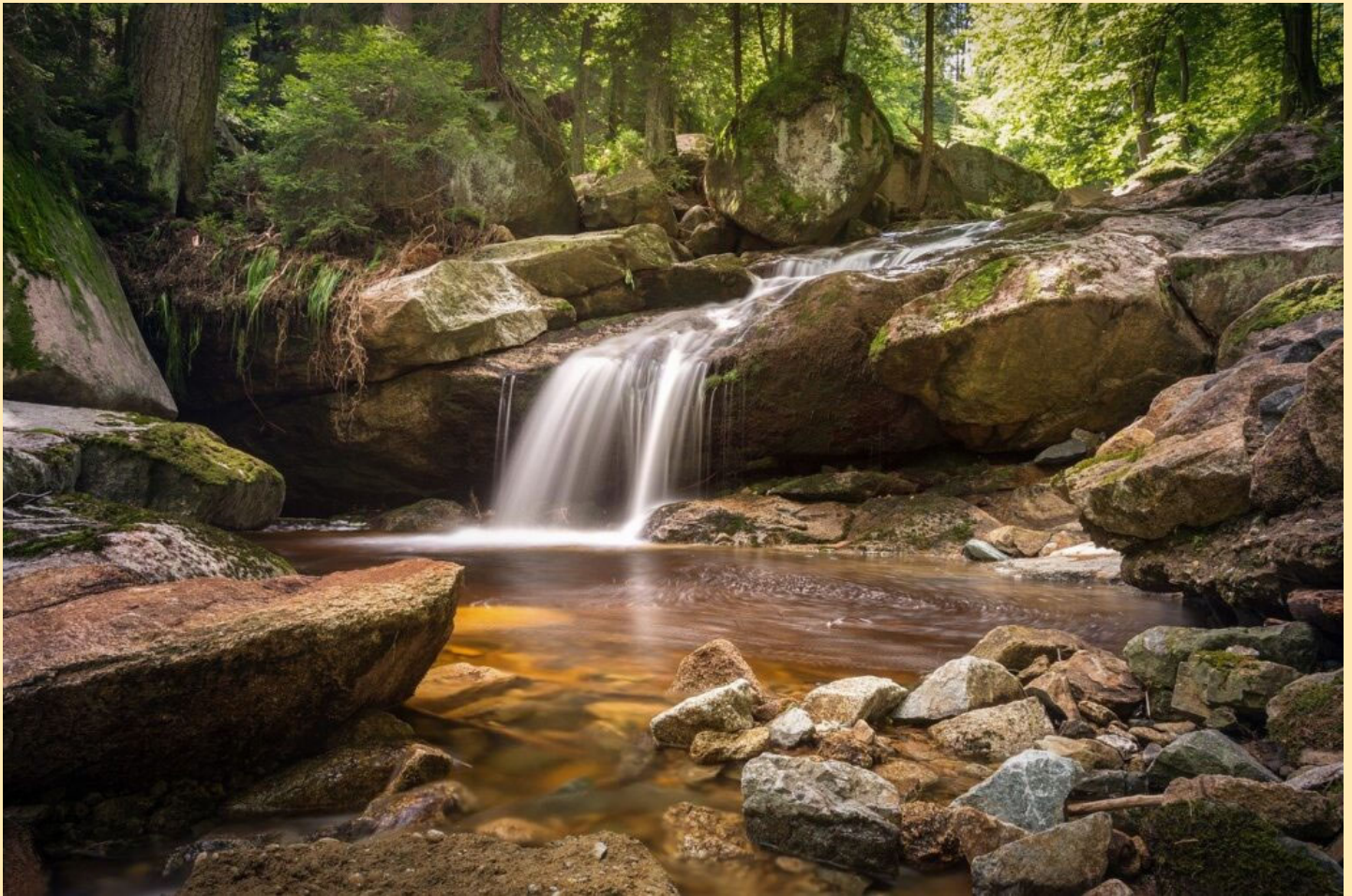


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World Rivers Day is a celebration of the world's waterways. It highlights the many values of rivers and strives to increase public awareness and encourages the improved stewardship of rivers around the world.

It highlights the many values of our rivers, strives to increase public awareness, and encourages the improved stewardship of all rivers around the world. Rivers in virtually every country face an array of threats, and only through our active involvement can we ensure their health in the years ahead.

"Rivers are the arteries of our planet; they are lifelines in the truest sense." - Mark Angelo

<https://worldriversday.com>

Let's help the arteries to flow freely again: clean water saves lives!

Plan a river cleanup this weekend!

Advertise your event, invite the public to join in the clean-up, arrange for recycling companies to collect the recyclable items, local council authorities to remove the rest. See overleaf for the further types of plastics to be recycled & recycling partners:





Applications for PP (Polypropylene):

Dairy tubs for margarine, yoghurt, cottage cheese; woven bags for grain, dog food, etc; stain resistant carpets; chocolate wrappers, sweet wrappers, crisps packets; **outdoor furniture**, stadium seating; swimming pool cleaners; buckets for atchar, paint, etc.



PP is Recycled into:

Buckets & bowls; refuse bins; shopping baskets; coat hangers; outdoor furniture; paint trays; flower pots; storage containers; toys. **PP Waste** is also recycled into twine.



Recyclers of PP:

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Applications for PS (Polystyrene):

Yoghurt tubs; vending cups; salad containers; egg trays; meat trays; hamburger clam shells; fish boxes; seedling trays; cooler boxes; pens; cutlery.



PS is recycled into:

Hangers; picture frames; cornices; skritings; construction desks; Tutudesks®; seedling trays; cutlery; rulers; toys



Recyclers of PS:

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Other - Packaging (Multi-layered Plastics):

Filter coffee packets; toothpaste tubes; processed meats & cheeses; sauces; soups; portion packs for butter & margarine



Recycling of Multi-layered Plastics:

Multi-material products can only be recycled if the layers are separable, eg if the paper or board layer can be recovered from the Tetrapak container. In general, multi-layer plastics can only be recycled into plastic timber products, such as garden benches.

Other - Non-packaging (Multi-layered Plastics):

>ABS< Computer housings, Automotive grill | >PA< Edge trimmer cord, Fishing gut | >PMMA< Sheeting for signage | >PC< Roof sheeting, Camera / cell phone housing | >PUR< Bakkie liners, Foamed mattresses and many more examples. There are more than 40 different plastics used in everyday life.



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District 410E Environmental Photo Competition

Reminder: entries close 30 September 2022

Please start submitting your entries now: remember load shedding affects internet towers, and waiting until the 30th September may just mean that your entry gets stuck in the last minute rush & it gets delivered late, which will not be accepted as an excuse.

Environment Calendar : October / November

7 - 11 October:	National Marine Week
16 October:	World Food Day
21 November:	World Fisheries Day