

## NOTES ON THIS ISSUE

Plastic can be very useful because it's versatile, light, durable and cheap. Those same properties make it a frequent flyer and traveller of our planet's seas and coastlines when it escapes us or we don't manage it properly. As a consequence, plastic has become an increasing problem precisely because of its low price, toxicity, perseverance, and pervasiveness.

Aware of this problem, restless because of this situation, and seeking to share our information and knowledge, in 2009 a partnership was born between Lanzarote's Biosphere Reserve Office (Council of Lanzarote) and the Marine Sciences for Society (MSFS) researchers' network, to set the foundations of the project and the management structure for the Zero Plastic in Lanzarote's Biosphere Reserve campaign. Since then, government bodies, research centres, universities, NGOs, students, individuals and groups have come together in this joint effort.

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~Biosphere Reserve Office~ Zero Plastic in Lanzarote's Biosphere Reserve Campaign!!!







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Our hero. He surrounds and protects Lanzarote.



Villain that disquises himself as hundreds of plastic containers.

Plastikucho (Dread Pirate Plastic)



His wet towels might seem harmless, but...



He watches from the skies and warns Supermar when there's trouble



underwater heroine and partner of Supermar during his adventures.



It's a candel limpet. Stuck to the rocks, knows everything that's going on.



All of the island's children are Guardians...hold on! SO ARE YOU!!!

Ready? Well, let's read about Lanzarote and Supermar's first adventure!







Toallito Enmascarado is very vain. He is behind many wet towels: baby wipes, make-up remover wipes, bathroom-cleaning wipes and car-cleaning wipes... and many of these are flushed down the toilet by humans. As they make their way through the pipes, they damage water treatment facilities and end up in the ocean! They are a real threat.



While Supermar and his friends fight Plastikucho and Toallito Enmascarado, the Guardians of the Biosphere come to their aid by cleaning Lanzarote's waste and pledging to keep it clean and reduce their use of plastic to a bare minimum.





## YOU ARE NOW A GUARDIAN!

Your next mission is to protect your beautiful landscape! Whenever possible avoid using plastic, choose an alternative. There are many paper, cardboard, glass, wood... Thank you! Without you I would never be able to do my job!

## BECOME A GUARDIAN OF THE BIOSPHERE!





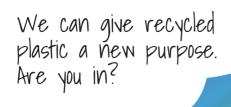












My glass can be used over and over again.
It's amazing!



If we were filled only with organic waste, there is so much we could do!

These are the recycling containers you already know. Make sure to throw waste in its right place:

plastic and cans go in the yellow one, paper goes in the blue one, and glass in the green one.

