

# ALTERNATIVES TO THE PLASTIC STRAW



PASTA STRAWS



HAY STRAWS



BAMBOO KNOT PICK STIRRERS



PAPER STRAWS



STAINLESS STEEL STRAWS



BAMBOO STRAWS

## BECOME A MEMBER

Pledge To:

**TIER 1: Serve straws upon request only**

"By taking this step, we've reduced our straw & stirrer use by ~ 80%"  
- Local Restaurant & Bar, Jackson Hole

**TIER 2: In addition, when serving straws, serve non-plastic alternatives**

"We've had no complaints. Just interest!"  
- Tier 2 Restaurants

## MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

- The satisfaction of joining > 50 fellow JH restaurants that have taken the pledge.
- A Straw Free Jackson Hole member window decal to promote recognition.
- Access to economic analyses & guidance for using plastic alternatives.
- Recognition in all our media outlets, including a link from our website to yours.
- Being part of a global movement & an example of environmental stewardship for tourists from all over the world.

**"Writers, bartenders, & staff are the leaders of this global movement!"**



## WHY DOES THE PLASTIC STRAW MATTER?

- Plastic straws are among the top 10 plastic items found in beach & town cleanups.
- Most plastic straws are NOT recyclable.
- Single-use plastics, such as straws, persist in the environment, harm wildlife & enter the food chain as they are mistaken for food.
- Over time, plastics breakdown into small pieces, known as "microplastics," which have been found locally in the Snake River & globally throughout aquatic ecosystems, including the deepest parts of the oceans.
- Microplastics aren't just in our waters, but in the air - at the top of pristine mountains.
- Humans are believed to inhale & consume 10's of 1000's of microplastics per year.
- Each plastic straw eliminated from the waste stream represents a small, but important, step toward a larger impact on global environmental health.



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*"This movement is not only about straws, straws are just a gateway to change behavior, this is about our relationship with single-use plastics..."*



# GUIDE FOR RESTAURANTS

Serving straws  
UPON REQUEST ONLY  
and offering  
ALTERNATIVES TO  
SINGLE-USE PLASTIC

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