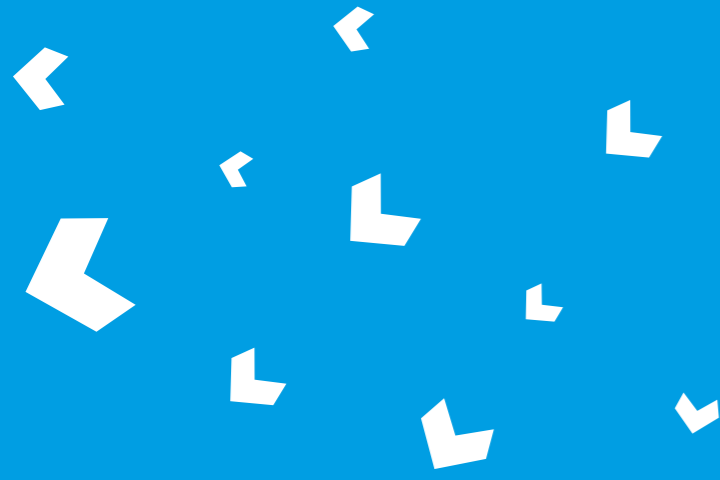


LITTER PICKING TIPS

FOR A CLEANER PLANET



Keep Britain Tidy's annual Great British Spring Clean is one the biggest UK litter pick of the year.

Here are a few handy tips to help you along the way.



Wear a high-vis!

Safety comes first, so always wear a high-vis, even in areas that you think you are well seen.

Take a few gardening tools

For those who want to get down and dirty and maybe even find some buried treasures, you should go armed with a few small gardening tools. A rake or shovel will be great to unearth the dug in litter, which has probably been there for some time. Using the tools will help keep your hands clean and safe and the litter bagged.

Take a few gardening tools

Litter can be deceiving and often many people collect a lot more than they expect to, so it is always good to have a second bag at hand if it soon becomes full. Glass and wood could also pierce the bags too leaving rips or holes, so that extra liner can be used to double bag your waste so it will not leak back into the environment.

Wear gloves and wellies!

It is important to protect both your feet and hands during your litter picks – your hands most importantly.

The only fact you know is that the waste has been littered, you do not know for how long, by who, or what else it has come into contact with. Wellies will make sure you don't get stuck in the mud!

Take note of what and where

Something they recommend doing during the GB Spring clean is to take notes of what type of litter has been collected and where it was found. This will give a good indication of what the biggest offenders in littered waste is, and where it is most likely to be littered.

From this, you can try to find ways on how to handle this waste better, whether it is as simple as local authorities placing some more bins in hot spot areas or putting up anti-litter signs in that area.

