

The problem with plastic

Consumers want less single use plastic in their lives. We all do. At home, work, eating out, weekend escapes: the more sustainable, the better.

From the government's plastic ban to ever-rising costs, businesses are doing what they can to reduce hidden waste and meet customer expectations.

Hospitality has already come a long way to reduce waste. Here's how BRITA VIVREAU can help you do even more.



Facing up to pressures

Consumer pressure

People want less greenwashing and more transparency



According to research
34% of consumers
would stop buying
from certain brands
if they had ethical
or sustainable
concerns¹

Rising costs

Everything costs more - ingredients, labour, energy



Rocketing prices forced 69% of hospitality businesses to raise their menu prices in 2022²



Hospitality operating costs rose to 55.2% of turnover in 2021³

Plastic ban

October 2023 sees a government ban on businesses selling single use plastic tableware*



Plastic takes between **20 and 500 years** to decompose in landfill⁴



More than
8 million tons of plastic
bottles end
up in the sea
each year⁵



77% of consumers
are in favour of the ban
on businesses selling
single
use plastic⁶

You know what your customers want...

You're already working to meet customer expectations. By creating a hospitality setting that reflects their values, you're helping empower their drive for sustainability.

BRITA VIVREAU spoke to 2,000 UK consumers about what they expect from hospitality businesses. From reducing plastic waste to water refill stations, the research shows they know what they want.





53%

of people choose a café, pub or restaurant based on its plastic waste reduction



41%

of consumers believe water refill stations are the best way to reduce hospitality waste



61%

of consumers do what they can in their everyday lives to reduce single use plastic



75%

of customers would gladly use a water refill station in a hospitality setting Hospitality businesses have made significant steps forward in meeting employee expectations, achieving regulatory compliance, increasing profitability and doing right by the planet. But there's always more to do.

By continuing the fight against hidden waste, the hospitality industry can feel optimistic about what the future holds.



Ready to create a zero single use plastic zone? Start with your equipment.

Sustainable equipment choices can help you:



Reduce waste

Install a BRITA VIVREAU water dispenser to replace bottled water

Using a BRITA VIVREAU water dispenser reduces up to

86% of CO_2 each year

compared to bottled water



Make smart decisions

Boost your eco-credentials and keep your customers happy

With good reason,

94% of hospitality businesses

say sustainability is an important factor when buying equipment⁶



Save money

Save energy with a water dispenser (versus a fridge full of bottled water)

Bottled water 500 times

more expensive than tap water in the UK⁷



Build strong supplier relationships

Work with a partner like BRITA VIVREAU to prioritise your sustainability goals

At BRITA VIVREAU we are committed to supporting

customers' sustainability efforts

and helping you thrive even in challenging climates

1. Deloitte. 2. Lightspeed. 3. The Drinks Business. 4. United Nations. 5. National Geographic. 6. Research conducted by 3Gem with 2,000 hospitality consumers in the UK, February 2023. 7. The Guardian.

Find out how we can support your business in its sustainability goals:

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