

#BeautifulNews: This sculptor can turn your old shoes into art

Flip-flop art looks better than it sounds. Davis Ndungu's colourful figures of animals are mesmerising. But their most remarkable characteristic is the artist's medium of choice – old shoes. Every year, thousands of flip-flops end up in the ocean. Most are made of polyurethane rubber, a non-biodegradable material that's toxic to marine life. "It is important for us to ask ourselves where the things we discard go to," Ndungu says. When these sandals wash up on shore, they also disrupt the breeding habitats of sea creatures. To remind us of their plight, Ndungu is using recycled shoes to carve out thought-provoking sculptures.

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