

Re-making Plastics



Collect the all the packaging that isn't currently recyclable and make sure it's clean and dry - I wash mine and hang it on the line.

It's vital that you have the window open as the plastics give off fumes as they melt. I do mine in front of an open door.

You will need:

- Two sheets of baking parchment/ greaseproof paper or 2 reusable non-stick liners
- Clean dry plastic
- A well ventilated space
- An iron



1. Group your plastics into colours and thickness making sure they will all lie flat.



2. Lay one layer of parchment paper over your ironing board, then place your plastics in layers, two or three thick. Place the second sheet of parchment over the plastics and using a hot, dry iron press down on top of the sandwich being sure not to touch the plastic with your iron.



3. Continue adding more plastics and experimenting with layers. If you use bubble wrap try to pop all the air pockets. Once you have a whole sheet you can sew it into shapes and make new things.

