

This Eco-Friendly Luggage Is Made From Recycled Plastic Bottles

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Pharrell's not the only one harnessing the power of garbage.

Magi Raible, a former executive at the North Face, owns LiteGear—a company that creates luggage out of post-consumer recycled plastic bottles. "We ship entire containers of plastic water bottles to China, but it's time we stopped that," Raible explained to Take Part. "Because if you think about it, it's a natural resource, and we should treat it like one."

Similarly to Pharrell's Bionic Yarn company, LiteGear uses plastic that's been flaked, melted, and made into polyester threads. The result is luggage that is both light and strong.

The luggage is also ideal for frequent travelers: LiteGear recently conducted a successful \$20,000 Kickstarter campaign to fund the development of a new "Mobile Pro" bag that is "designed to meet every possible airline carry-on specification." The "smart bag" can be used as a backpack, cross-body bag, or haul handle tote.

Not to mention it's as eco-friendly as the company's other creations.

LiteGear makes luggage, garment bags, backpacks, and even ponchos with recycled plastic. It seems like they might excellent travel companions for your upcoming eco-friendly vacation.

Learn more about how the company got its start on Take Part.