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Waterproof shoe
made from recycled
COFFEE



The Rens trainers are made from the equivalent of 21 cups of coffee | Photo source Rens

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A WATERPROOF SHOE MADE FROM COFFEE AND RECYCLED PLASTIC

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A recently-released ethical shoe is created out of recycled plastic bottles and used coffee grounds

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Takeaway:

According to Rens, only five per cent of global coffee waste actually gets recycled. Although coffee is bio waste, it still produces a lot of methane, which is much more potent as a greenhouse gas than CO₂ – albeit shorter lived. By turning some of this waste into trainers,

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end the life cycle of the coffee grounds. But this does not come cheap – the for around \$119. The success of the trainers has also encouraged the company to look for new uses for its sustainable, coffee waste technology. It is joined by companies like French outdoor brand [Salomon](#), which has released a shoe with an upper made from recycled material that can itself be recycled into new thread.