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## 30,000 discarded flipflops used to build vessel

# PLASTIC REVOLUTION SETS SAIL

After two years of R&D, the world's first 100 per cent recycled plastic dhow was launched in Lamu on International Ocean Clean-up Day 2018, and is expected to sail to Zanzibar in partnership with the UNEP Clean Seas Programme, arriving in time for the Sauti za Busara Festival from February 7-10. It will then be exhibited in Nairobi at the UN Environment Assembly in March.

Measuring nine metres in length, the Flipiflopi was built using several tonnes of plastic waste and 30,000 discarded flipflops. "Our objective has always been to share a simple message that single-use plastics

don't make sense. For every piece of plastic the ocean picks up, the tide brings five new pieces. To bring about change, we have to inspire people to rethink their single-use plastic consumption," says Dipesh Pabari, project leader.

The Flipiflopi will sail in East African waters, stopping at communities talong the coast, but the plan is to build a dhow more than twice the size which will be capable of crossing the open ocean, so they can take their message to the top emitters of marine plastic in the world in the Far East. That project will require over 200,000 recycled flipflops and an estimated \$500,000.

[www.theflipiflopi.com](http://www.theflipiflopi.com)

## MEET THE CHEF

## Archie Alvin Athanasius HEMINGWAYS NAIROBI EXECUTIVE CHEF

**Inspiration:** My grandma taught me how to cook. It started with baking cakes and cookies and then making curries and casseroles. I had been planning to be a vet, but by the age of 19 I knew my dream was to become a chef.

**Journey to Hemingways:** I started my career at Nairobi Serena and later moved to Kampala Serena. I have worked in hotels in countries including France and Mauritius.

**Secret to success:** Commitment and dedication. You have to fall in love with your work. Never complain about your job. You must dedicate your life to mastering your skill.

**Favourite food to cook:** I love working with seafood, respect French cuisine and am currently experimenting with pan-Asian dishes for our new menu. My favourite ingredients are tamarind, lemongrass, coconut and chilli.

**And to eat:** Sushi and sashimi with sake, Japanese rice wine.

**Your restaurant:** Hemingways can be summed up in three words: exquisite, comfortable and excellent. We offer varied dining options, indoors or alfresco, all in a tranquil surrounding.

**Menu concept:** Simple, well presented, affordable and tasty food. Our signature dish is marinated king prawns, 'Moto Moto', served with homemade mango chutney.



# 4.05 MILLION

The number of international visitors to Johannesburg in 2017, making it the most popular city destination in Africa, according to the annual Mastercard Global Destination Cities Index.