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TODAY IS: CHOCOLATE DAY

National Chocolate Day, on October 28th, recognizes one of the world's

favorite tastes. While

many specific chocolate-related holidays

exist throughout the

year, National Chocolate

Day celebrates all things

chocolate. Chocolate

comes from the seed of

the tropical Theobroma

cacao tree, growing in

Mexico, Central America,

and Northern South

America. Historians have

documented the earliest

cultivation of cacao seeds

at around 1100 BC. The

intense, bitter taste of

cocoa requires the bean

to be fermented to develop the flavor.

—NationalDayCalendar.

com

DO JUST ONE THING

Plastic caps on containers of juice, soda and

water are now recyclable,

but they should not

be left in place on the

bottles. When plastic

bottles are compressed

during the baling process,

a tightly screwed-on lid or cap can prevent

bottles from compressing.

The solution? Leave

the cap only ever-so-

slightly.



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