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Placemats with a twist

In three villages in Nepal, families collect potato chip bags and snack food wrappers, then wash and weave them into bowls, baskets and placemats. The project, run by the nonprofit Spiral Foundation, recycles nonbiodegradable waste while raising money for healthcare and education. The placemats here come in a set of six, with a lidded box, for \$120 at Lost & Found Etc. in Hollywood, (323) 856-5872.

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