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REEF BALLS

Can't afford an ocean liner and several thousand dollars for a demolition crew to blow holes in it? Are old cars and bridge rubble the right price but too ugly? Don't worry, there is still hope if you want to give the marine world an artificial reef as your legacy. Reef Balls are cheap (\$25 or less), durable, attractive and easily installed by two divers without heavy duty equipment.

The construction principle involves covering a large balloon with concrete and then deflating the balloon once it has been towed to the reef site. Each ball provides 200 square feet of reef surface and as many as desired can be dropped in one site. For more information call the non-profit organization Reef Ball Development Group at (404) 542-5948.

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