

## SUSTAINABLE TOURISM GUIDELINES

### Do's and Don'ts When Visiting Nature & Cultural Heritage Sites

Responsible tourism contributes to the protection of natural environments, the preservation of cultural heritage, and the well-being of local communities. Please follow the guidelines below to ensure a respectful, safe, and sustainable travel experience.

1. Respect for Nature & Wildlife	
<p><b>✓ Do:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stay on designated trails and comply with site signage.</li> <li>Observe wildlife quietly; use binoculars when needed.</li> <li>Dispose of waste responsibly.</li> <li>Support conservation through official entrance or conservation fees.</li> </ul>	<p><b>✗ Don't:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Feed, touch, or disturb wildlife.</li> <li>Remove natural materials as souvenirs.</li> <li>Use loud audio, drones, or flash photography near wildlife.</li> <li>Discard waste or cigarette butts in natural areas.</li> </ul>
2. Protection of Cultural & Heritage Sites	
<p><b>✓ Do:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Respect cultural norms, dress codes, and religious protocols.</li> <li>Follow instructions from guides and site authorities.</li> <li>Request permission before photographing people or ceremonies.</li> <li>Support local artisans by purchasing authentic products.</li> <li>Use certified local guides for accurate information.</li> </ul>	<p><b>✗ Don't:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Touch, lean on, or climb heritage structures.</li> <li>Write, carve, or leave markings on any surface.</li> <li>Enter restricted or sacred zones without approval.</li> <li>Buy, sell, or trade cultural artifacts or wildlife products.</li> </ul>



### 3. Respect Local Communities & Act Sustainably

#### ✓ Do:

- Engage politely with locals and learn basic local phrases.
- Prioritize local service providers.
- Adhere to “Leave No Trace” principles.
- Participate in community or environmental initiatives when possible.

#### ✗ Don't:

- Interrupt cultural or religious activities.
- Give gifts or money directly to children; support recognized charities instead.
- Engage in any inappropriate interactions with children.
- Demand imported or non-local goods.
- Participate in exploitative wildlife tourism (e.g., elephant rides, forced animal photos).

### 4. Safety & Compliance

#### ✓ Do:

- Follow all safety regulations and local laws.
- Pay attention to safety briefings from guides.
- Familiarize yourself with emergency contacts.

#### ✗ Don't:

- Ignore warnings related to terrain, wildlife, or weather.
- Confront or argue with officers enforcing site rules.

*Together, we safeguard natural and cultural heritage for future generations.*



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