

5 CODES OF CONDUCT FOR THE RESPONSIBLE TOURIST

Value local traditions and customs

- *Learn about local festivals, language, and culture before traveling.*
- *Respect temples, monuments, and heritage sites.*
- *Ask for permission before taking photos of people or sacred places.*

Support the local economy

- *Choose local handicrafts and products.*
- *Treat vendors and artisans with respect.*
- *Do not buy counterfeit or prohibited products.*
- *Choose tours operated by local residents of the destination.*



Respect the environment

- *Do not buy products made from endangered species.*
- *Prefer group and efficient transportation.*
- *Reduce waste: use a refillable bottle and avoid plastics.*
- *Save water and electricity in accommodations.*



Be careful in fragile or protected areas

- *Do not leave trash behind (including organic waste).*
- *Walk only on authorized trails.*
- *Do not feed wildlife.*
- *Do not remove stones, flowers, fossils, or shells.*
- *Pay entrance fees and help take care of facilities.*



Be an informed and respectful traveler

- *Follow local and national laws.*
- *Protect children from all forms of exploitation.*
- *Stay informed about emergencies, weather conditions, and safe routes.*
- *Visit official tourism offices for reliable information.*

