

“Regulations for visiting Protected Areas”



It is important to SunTrails to preserve the region's protected areas, which is why we ask for your cooperation to protect our wildlife and plant life. It's crucial that visitors appropriately dispose of the waste that they produce, by separating it and throwing it out in the specified locations.

All visitors in protected areas should come with a conservationist mindset and an attitude focused on protecting the environment, and the defense and/or rescue of wildlife.

There's no smoking permitted during SunTrails tours in natural areas, and this rule will be enforced by the guide, for chauffeurs and tourists alike. We recommend not bringing food into these natural areas, so as to avoid any impact on the local wildlife.

Try to avoid any type of unnecessary disturbance to wildlife, and to their habitat. Noise should be kept to a minimum while walking along the trails, where you should keep your distance from wild species and you shouldn't touch plants.

Respect the designated trails by always staying on them, and avoid walking anywhere else. If you come across another group of tourists while on a trail, an adequate distance should be kept between groups so as not to excessively alter the environment. Touristic areas where we provide SunTrails services offer amazing commercial and cultural attractions, which is why we suggest visiting neighbouring communities.

Help us to support these populations by purchasing local goods and services, so as to ensure positive interactions with the community. Do not purchase souvenirs or artisanal items that are made using wild species, wood from trees that are endangered, or endangered species. Doing so is prohibited by the Wildlife Conservation Law # 7495, which prohibits and uses significant fines to penalize the purchasing, commercialisation, and/or possession of these types of items.

Costa Rica is also a country that defends children and teenagers against threats related to the commercial sexual exploitation of minors. If you see any situation that appears to indicate this contemptible kind of activity, report it to our staff members or to the emergency number 911 so that we can immediately proceed according to the International Code of Conduct, and national laws. In Costa Rica, this activity is punishable by prison without the possibility of bail for a minimum of 8 years.

Also, keep in mind law # 8204 against the consumption of illegal substances (possession, consumption, and commerce) and law # 7476 against sexual harassment.

SunTrails staff members have received training in relation to national laws, in order to provide appropriate orientation and to establish internal regulations that guarantee an environment of respect and harmony for all.