

IN CULTURAL HERITAGE PLACES IN TURKEY RULES OF CONDUCT

In order to improve your experience and preserve the cultural heritage areas in Turkey and pass them on to future generations, please follow the rules below.

RULES OF CONDUCT IN NATURAL AREAS

- Nature tours are organized activities with the aim of visiting, seeing, getting to know and introducing all the natural areas of our country; all kinds of event organizers are required to obtain permission from the administration in order to ensure the sustainability of resources, effective management and protection, visitor safety and guidance of visitors, and to meet visitor needs and expectations. Permission applications are made in person and by mail, fax, e-mail to the General Directorate of Nature Conservation and National Parks or Provincial Directorates, applications are finalized within 10 (ten) business days.
- Within protected areas, rare, endemic, endangered or threatened natural plant species cannot be harmed in any way. These species cannot be collected, uprooted or some of their parts cut, eggs of wild animals cannot be collected and their nests cannot be disturbed.
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- During tours, no activities that may harm birds can be carried out (Individuals cannot be disturbed, nests and nestlings cannot be touched, and tissue and blood samples cannot be taken for any reason). Bird observation and images cannot be taken during the breeding season of birds.
- Professional photography and filming cannot be done without obtaining the necessary permissions from the Ministry.
- Travel agencies that will organize hunting tours, photography and film shootings, and hunting and wild animal observation tours for foreign visitors in Turkey must obtain a hunting tourism certificate from the Ministry. (Article 15 of Law No. 4915)
- Fees and durations for tours, photography and filming are determined at the beginning of each year.
Determined and announced by the Directorate
- Wild animals seen or encountered during tours cannot be spooked or followed.
If the tour route is in the direction the animal seen is going, wait for an appropriate period of time and continue on the route at a slower pace, taking care not to get too close to the wild animal and disturb it.
- For visitor safety, the Administration makes the necessary warnings and takes other necessary measures.
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- In any case, visitors must take back the garbage they produce.
- Making noise and listening to loud music during tours is prohibited.
- Fires are not allowed in the areas.
- Wildlife cannot be destroyed.

ÿ Any intervention that may cause or may cause the loss or change of the characteristics of protected areas, and any work or process that may cause soil, water and air pollution or similar environmental problems cannot be carried out. ÿ In the event that there is a certified "Area Guide" in protected areas, visitors are required to visit the site with the area guides. However, daily use areas and areas outside the absolute protection zone defined in the plan can be visited within the framework of the defined rules.

ÿ Since it is envisaged that the natural resources in the absolute protection zones included in the areas and plans that require absolute protection will be left in their natural state without any human impact, the use of the areas without the knowledge of the administration and the random wandering of visitors in the area are strictly prohibited.

ÿ In protected areas, visitors cannot go outside the designated areas and routes (This is important both for the protection of resource values and visitor safety).

ÿ The conditions and level of use and utilization of the areas are determined by the Administration and cannot exceed the "carrying capacity".

ÿ Applications such as visitor management in planned areas, visitor usage in the area, etc. are prepared. are implemented within the scope of the plans and plan decisions cannot be deviated from.

ÿ The way in which the tour route can be visited (vehicle, pedestrian, etc.) is defined in the long-term development plans and management plans of the areas. Vehicles other than those determined in the plan cannot be used.

In areas that do not have a management plan, tools that will not harm the environment and are deemed appropriate by the administration should be used.

ÿ In protected areas, services and facilities for protection, management, research, visitor information and guidance are planned to be carried out in a way that will create minimum negative impact in line with the plans made for these areas and are carried out with implementation plans.

ÿ No activity can be carried out in wetlands that will affect the water regime. ÿ No alien species can be introduced or released into wetlands for any purpose, and no species can be collected from wetlands. ÿ Purchasing illegal products/souvenirs produced from threatened wildlife species should be avoided.

ÿ Polluting the environment and nature is strictly prohibited. If detected, it is subject to punishment.

These rules have been prepared in accordance with the Circular 2007/1 of the General Directorate of Nature Conservation and National Parks, and those who act contrary to the provisions of the circular are subject to the "Environmental Law No. 2872". The prescribed penalties are applied. If the acts prohibited by the Forest Law No. 6831 and the Fisheries Law No. 1330 are committed in places where the National Parks Law No. 2873 is applied to travel agencies and other legal entities, the penalties are doubled.

It is important to fully implement the above-mentioned rules in order to ensure sustainable hunting and wildlife management and the sustainability, effective management, protection and transfer of resources to future generations in protected areas, visitor safety, as well as monitoring and guiding visitors to protected areas and defining visitor needs and expectations.

RULES OF CONDUCT IN MOSQUES, PLACES OF WORSHIP AND MUSEUMS

• At the entrances of places of worship; clothing that is exposed above the knees and shoulders such as shorts and skirts

Wearing revealing clothing, talking loudly, and listening to music are prohibited in holy places.

• Please ask for permission to take photos and videos with religious leaders, children and people you do not know.

Unauthorized shooting is prohibited. • In areas

where there are monuments and historical artifacts - It is prohibited to sit or lean on carved and fragile surfaced works and monuments.

• It is forbidden to move, move or touch archaeological artifacts and to sell these artifacts.

• Consumption of alcohol and cigarettes is prohibited in areas where smoking is prohibited.

• Giving money or candy to children encourages them to beg. If you want to help children,

Please donate to recognized charities.

• It is strictly forbidden to expose the genitals in public areas.

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finer. • It is mandatory to comply with the museum rules during museum

visits. • In group visits, it is mandatory not to separate from the group and to show an ID if requested by the authorities.

