

# Minimal Impact Tips: Walking/Hiking



Keep the earth beautiful! Stay on formal tracks where they exist and avoid wet or soft ground.

If you cannot see the formal track, protect the pristine bush and avoid disturbing virgin areas or areas prone to erosion by taking the most appropriate detour.

Leave nothing but footprints. All rubbish should be carried and disposed of responsibly. If you spot rubbish on the track that's not yours, be a star: you'll feel good picking it up and helping clean the beautiful environment!

Cultural sites are a sacred and beautiful thing, please do not disturb them.



If no toilets are available, bury your human waste in a hole at least 15cm deep and at least 100 meters away from water bodies or campsites. Look back and make sure you left no trace!

Let's keep wildlife...wild. Animals should not be fed.

If near wildlife nesting sites, extra care should be taken to avoid disturbing their home.

To reduce weed and disease dispersal, please ensure that your boots are clean before entering areas of high conservation significance.

If you're unsure about how to behave, ask your ECO Certified operator. Ecotourism operators have in depth knowledge of their surrounding environment and how to preserve it. They'll be happy to give you local tips to protect it.



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