

TRADITIONS



Ask yourself if some customs, even though traditional, are ethically acceptable today.

Around the world many animals are abused in activities such as rodeos, cockfighting, racing camels, ostriches and horses or bullfights which take the animals to their physical limit or even to their death.

AS A TOURIST:

- Be alert, pay attention to possible abuses of animals during your vacation, do not take part in them and express your concern to the organizers, authorities and institutions for the protection of animals.
- Before you take part in an activity which involves animals, think twice on whether it may imply suffering to them.
- Help avoid animals a life of deprivation and suffering by not encouraging their demand.

IN ORDER TO PROTECT WILDLIFE, FAADA:

- Questions the animal captivity and entertainment industries
- Investigates cases of neglect or abuse
- Exposes the suffering and exploitation of animals
- Works for the adoption of more stringent laws for their protection
- Informs and creates awareness to all parties involved



SOUVENIRS



Do not buy souvenirs made from animal products and never take live animals out of their natural habitat.

It is always better to opt for souvenirs that do not contain animal parts. The purchase of live exotic animals is prohibited in many countries. Many of these animals come from dealers and their needs outside their natural environment can never be satisfied.

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TOURISM AND ITS IMPACT ON ANIMALS

In almost all trips, whether as part of our plans or by chance, as tourists we come across activities that involve animals.

These encounters should reconnect us with nature, reminding us that we are part of it and that we share this planet with other beings to whom we owe respect. However, in most planned activities with animals, economic benefits are given priority over their welfare.

Help us to minimize the impact of tourism on animals, and promote a responsible industry.

ANIMAL WATCHING



Make sure the operator that you hire is professional, ethical and respectful to wildlife without harassing the animals.

Some irresponsible organizers of photographic safaris or other wild animal watching activities can be dangerous for them; by the stress of human presence, a possible change in their life cycles, separating groups or mothers and offspring or fatal accidents with vehicles. Some species survive thanks to this type of tourism when carried out responsibly.

SHOWS WITH ANIMALS



Do not attend shows that use wild animals and force them to perform in an unnatural manner.

To get a wild animal to act against its instincts, violence is necessary or else manipulating them with food or inflicting pain. Whether watching dancing bears, snake charmers, lions in a circus, raptors in medieval fairs or dolphins in aquaria, think about their living conditions, training, and the negative educational message of these shows.



CAPTIVITY



Only support institutions and activities with real and responsible conservational and protective objectives where animal welfare is above all.

Millions of wild animals are exhibited in artificial conditions in zoos and aquaria around the world. Generally, living conditions are appalling, and the animals suffer because of overcrowding, lack of space and stimuli, stress and inability to behave naturally.

Many of the centers that call themselves "shelters, orphanages, farms, etc.." are usually just another business of animal exploitation that often catch animals from the wild, breed them, trade with them or their parts and some even do shows with them. So elephants, crocodiles, snakes and turtles are also victims of a tourist fraud.

INTERACTIONS



Avoid forced interactions with wild animals. They are not used to human contact, become stressed, sick and can be dangerous.

Whether it's taking a picture with a wild animal or swimming with dolphins, sea lions and even sharks or crocodiles, we should consider that we are promoting an activity which is harmful to the animals. Frustrated by captivity, they can be aggressive and they are often drugged, chained up, their claws and teeth pulled out or their mouths sealed.

Seemingly harmless activities such as horse, donkey or camel riding can also be painful for animals if their rest is not respected and they are overloaded and overworked.

