

DO'S AND DONT'S IN THE WHITE DESERT NATIONAL PARK

“ A GUIDE FOR AN ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY DESERT TRIP “

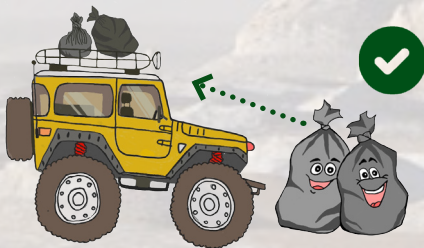
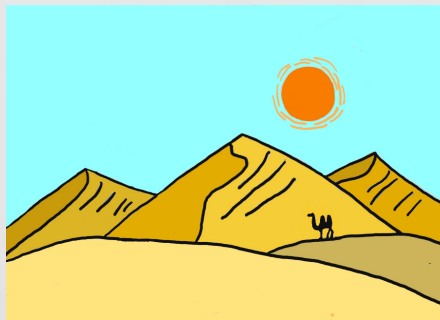
Welcome to the White Desert National Park !

The park has a unique natural beauty and history. It is also a rich ecosystem full of plants and animals.

However, we have problems with littering, ecosystem degradation, and loss of biodiversity in the park.

We need your help to preserve the park's beauty and to keep its ecosystem healthy and resilient.

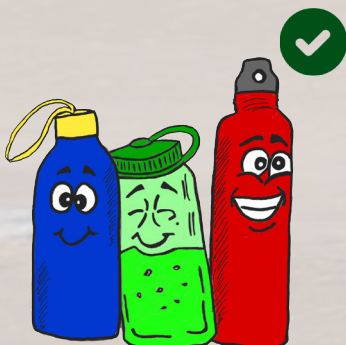
Here is what to do and what not to do in the desert !



1. Do not leave any garbage at the campsite. This includes cigarette butts, matches, tissues, and any type of packaging. Animals often mistake small pieces of garbage for food and can choke to death on these pieces. Check your campsite carefully before you leave!



2. Using the “outdoor bathroom!”? Do not leave your toilet paper or any sanitary products in the desert but bring a plastic bag and dispose of it in the campsite's garbage bag. Toilet paper may disintegrate slowly in wet countries, but in the desert, it dries out, becomes brittle, and gets blown around by the wind, again potentially being mistaken for food by desert animals.

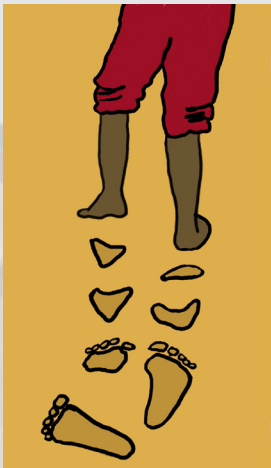


3. Go plastic free! If you have your own bottle or camping mug, ask your driver or guide if you can fill those up at the campsite instead of using plastic bottles. If lost or left behind, plastic bottles get blown across the desert by the wind. Let's work together on making camping plastic free!





4. Have respect for plants and animals. Do not damage or destroy plants, touch, or disturb animals, and refrain from feeding wild animals. This will change their natural behaviour. Excessive noise can also disturb the wildlife.



5. Do not climb the formations. Taking a cool selfie on one of the mushrooms seems tempting, but the limestone date back from a time when the desert was covered by sea and can break easily. Please have respect for the ancient natural history of the park!



6. Only leave your footprints behind – do not leave anything and do not take anything with you! Everything in the park is part of a functioning ecosystem.



7. Do not write on or carve into any of the limestone formations. Again, these are ancient testimonies of nature. Also, not everyone needs to read your love story !

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USE GARBAGE BAGS



REUSABLE BOTTLES



CLEAN UPS



LITTER



DUMP TOILET PAPER



DUMP PLASTIC



BURN GARBAGE



TAKE AWAY ROCKS



CLIMB LIMESTONE



WRITE ON LIMESTONE



DAMAGE PLANTS



FEED ANIMALS