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Do & Don't Guidelines for Visiting Natural Parks, Beaches & Cultural Heritage Sites

✅ Do:

- **Respect Indigenous cultures** – Acknowledge and learn about the Traditional Owners of the land (e.g., Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in Australia, and Māori in New Zealand).

- **Stay on marked tracks** – Protect native flora and fauna by sticking to designated paths.

- **Follow local signage and rules** – These are in place for your safety and to protect the environment.

- **Use eco-friendly products** – Choose reef-safe sunscreen and biodegradable toiletries.

- **Take your rubbish with you** – Leave no trace behind.

- **Support local communities** – Buy from local artisans, tour guides, and businesses.

- **Be fire-safe** – Follow fire bans and use designated fire pits where allowed.

- **Observe wildlife from a distance** – Use binoculars or cameras, not your hands.

❌ Don't:

- **Enter sacred or restricted areas** – Respect cultural protocols and signage.

- **Collect shells, rocks, or plants** – Leave nature as you found it.

- **Feed or touch wildlife** – It can harm animals and disrupt ecosystems.

- **Use drones without permission** – Many parks and cultural sites restrict drone use.

- **Bring pets into protected areas** – They can disturb native wildlife.

- **Ignore biosecurity rules** – Clean your shoes and gear to prevent spreading pests or diseases.

- **Play loud music or disturb others** – Keep noise to a minimum to preserve the natural experience.