



The Goat Village

Volunteer Norms & guidelines

Ecotourism is defined as 'responsible travel to natural areas that conserves the environment and improves the well-being of local people'. Such tourism is low impact, educational, and conserves the environment while directly benefiting the economic development of local communities. Ecotourism, when practiced correctly, is an important economic and educational activity..

The Goat Village, in sync with Indian government's guidelines for eco-tourism areas, carries a proper guidelines for its guests so as we may encourage good practices.

Ecotourism Guidelines: We appreciate and respect the colours and sounds of nature. Please, dress in colours that blend with the natural environment. Take pictures but without disturbing wildlife. Keep a reasonable distance from wild animals, and do not provoke them. While in a vehicle, do not honk or get out of the vehicle and do not approach animals closer than 15 m or disturb them while they are resting. Do not take away flora and fauna in the form of cuttings, seeds or roots. Do not feed wild animal. Do not light fires, or smoke inside protected areas. Accidental forest fires cause irreparable damage. Carrying of guns, fire arms, inflammable materials are strictly prohibited, as per the provisions of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, and are punishable by law.

Cultural guidelines: Green People is committed to help marginalized farmers and insulating their culture and environment from onslaught of modern world. We request our guests to observe the sanctity of village and respect local customs and communities. Do not talk loudly or play loud or offensive music.

Garbage Management: There is a complete ban on burying, burning or otherwise disposing non biodegradable or toxic waste in the village area. Dispose waste responsibly: carry back all non-biodegradable litter, and leave campsites litter-free before departing. Not following litter policy of Village may carry penalty of INR 100 to 1000, depending upon the nature of offence.

Meal Service Timings of TGV: The Goat Village is at 7627 ft, we are providing all possible facilities to our guest while using our limited sources and accepting natural limits. We expect our guest to remain in sync with the food timings of the village. Normal Meal timings would be shared, once you reach The Goat Village. We shall be unable to provide food on odd timings except some medically recommended condition. We don't promote food wastage; guests are requested to minimize wastage of food. We don't promote inorganic food items or beverages so we don't serve them.

Liquor/Smoke Policy: Though, we don't promote such injurious habits but if someone wants to take alcohol or wants to smoke, there are specified areas for these activities, village management will share information regarding this on arrival.



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Parking: The Goat Village provides parking facility to the guests at its base camp Laser Gaon. However, guests are requested to take care of their vehicle while parking and not leave any valuables in the vehicle. The Goat Village shall not be responsible for any mishappening with the vehicle.

Safety of Volunteers;

This is a wildlife enriched place. The Volunteers are requested to remain inside the cottages during night if their group is not out with them. Goat Village does not take responsibility of any uncertain natural calamity.

Behavioral Guidelines;

Volunteers are requested to follow decent behavior. Any concern with other goat villagers or volunteers must be shared with The Village Manager before escalating to the identified Management representative/s. Any indecent/abrupt/ offensive communication, behavior or gesture at The Goat Village is not acceptable and calls for immediate termination of volunteering terms without any prior notice.

Safety of belongings;

Volunteers are responsible to take care of their belongings. Goat village though provide safety but does not promise responsibility of any careless incident.

Work Related Information;

Volunteers are supposed to work at least 7 hours a day. They may be asked to do farming and related activities, cooking, housekeeping, educating villagers etc. Apart from this, they may be asked to work at different locations. We have three Goat villages and one farm, all in Uttarakhand.

Documentation:

- Proof of Identity: Scanned Copy of Passport/ Aadhar Card/ PAN Card,
- Proof of Current Address: Scanned Copy of Passport/Aadhar Card/ Telephone Landline Bill ,
- Scanned Copy of Passport (Front & Back Page)- For Foreigners,
- Scanned Copy of Valid Visa – For Foreigners,
- NOC from Local police authority (Signed and attested) from place of last residence and Permanent Residence,
- NOC and consent from Parents/ Guardian (Signed and Attested) to work as a volunteer at The Goat Village,
- NOC from last or current Employer (Signed and Attested) to work as a volunteer at The Goat Village.



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I have read all the guidelines and terms mentioned above and I take full responsibility of authenticity and validity of the documents provided by me as mentioned above. I will abide by the rules and regulation of the house.

Date

Signature of Volunteer