



CODE OF ETHICS FOR TRAVELERS

- * Travel in a spirit of humility and with a genuine desire to meet and talk with the local people.
- * Be aware of the feelings of other people, thus preventing what might be offensive behavior. Remember this especially with photography.
- * Cultivate the habit of listening and observing, rather than merely hearing and seeing.
- * Realize that people in the country you visit often have time concepts and thought patterns different from your own. - not inferior, just different.
- * Discover the enrichment that comes from seeing another way of life, rather than looking for the 'beach paradise' of the tourist posters.
- * Acquaint yourself with the local customs. Respect local customs; people will be happy to help you.
- * Cultivate the habit of asking questions instead of knowing all the answers.
- * Remember that you are one of thousands of visiting tourists. Do not expect special privileges.
- * If you really want a home away from home, why travel?
- * Spend wisely. Remember when shopping that the bargain you obtain is only possible because of the low wages paid to the maker.
- * Make no promises to local people unless you are certain you can fulfill them.
- * Reflect daily on your experiences; seek to deepen your understanding. "What enriches you may rob or violate others."
- * Choose to be surprised, not disappointed, when places and people do not match your expectations.