



# THESE LANDS ARE OUR CHILDREN

## OUTDOOR ETIQUETTE FOR THE HOMELAND OF THE SÁMI

*Traditional Sámi livelihoods include reindeer husbandry, fishing, hunting, collection of natural products and Sámi handicrafts as well as their modern forms of practice. These industries are the foundation of the Sámi culture and they maintain the vitality of the Sámi Homeland, Sámi language, traditional knowledge, relationship with nature, communality of the Sámi culture and Sámi handicrafts.*

**When visiting the Sámi Homeland, note the following:**

**1. RESPECT THE SÁMI CULTURAL ENVIRONMENT**

Respect the Sámi cultural environment, such as the wilderness, sacred places, homes and reindeer paddocks in yards. Ask for permission to take photographs of people. Don't leave a trace.

**2. CHERISH THE SENSITIVE ARCTIC NATURE**

Collect natural products in moderation and respect local traditions. Use existing trails.

**3. KEEP YOUR PET IN A LEASH**

Keep your pet in a leash and follow the rules of nature reserves. Do not approach reindeer with your dog. The owner is responsible for any damage caused by their pet.

**4. TAKE REINDEER AND REINDEER HUSBANDRY INTO CONSIDERATION**

Take reindeer and reindeer husbandry into consideration. Let the reindeer graze in peace. Do not enter reindeer paddocks without permission. Photograph reindeer from a sufficient distance.

**5. FAVOUR AUTHENTIC AND LOCAL SERVICES**

Favour authentic, local services, such as tourism services that are part of traditional livelihoods. Buy responsible products. The Sámi Duodji brand guarantees the buyer that the product has been made by a Sámi craftsperson. Do not share images that violate the guidelines of the region on social media.



The Sámi  
Homeland

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