

Promoting Responsible and Child Safe Tourism in Fiji

Information for Tourism Operators



The choices you make can impact children's lives!

Children rely on adults to keep them safe from harm, abuse and exploitation. No matter where we are, we carry this responsibility with us.

As tourism operators, we need to be responsible for the safety of children in the communities we operate. Be a Child Safe Tourism Operator.

Child Safe Tourism practices are those that 'do no harm' to children and young people.

WHY child safe tourism?

1. Everyone wants to do the right thing for children, and tourism operators can be the leaders and educators in child safe tourism.
2. There is a growing demand from tourists for more ethical and child safe choices in travel experiences
3. Child safe tourism is about sustainability. It involves continuing the social and economic benefits tourism brings without compromising the safety and wellbeing of children and communities.
4. Tourism operators are ambassadors for Fiji and children are part of this picture for Fiji.
5. Tourism operators have a duty of care to community members and children when they take visitors into communities. Tourism operators are part of the solution in keeping children safe.

WHAT is a child safe tourism operator?

PROACTIVE by promoting tourism practices and activities that are positive for communities and respect the rights of children.

PREVENTATIVE by understanding the impact and contact tour activities have with children and reducing the risks of harm to children and young people.

PRACTICAL by putting in place relevant and practical measures that ensure tourism activities and practices provide responsible and child safe tourism experiences.

POLICY by incorporating child safe policies and codes of conduct into operating and management systems.

AWARENESS by training staff and informing customers and communities about child safe policies and practices.

COLLABORATIVE by forming a network to work together and share knowledge to strengthen child safeguarding within the tourism sector.

For more information on Child Safe Volunteering & Tourism Hub, visit: <https://childsafevolunteering.com/>

