

Parks & Trees Act 2005

The Nature Reserves are protected under the **Parks and Trees Act 2005**. Help us conserve and protect the forests and its inhabitants by remembering these guidelines:

- (a) All plants and animals are protected. Please do not collect any specimens or dig up the ground.
- (b) Animals including monkeys get enough of the right diet from the forest. Please do not feed them as it is an offence and they can exhibit aggressive behaviour. To avoid attracting the monkeys, visitors are advised not to eat or carry plastic bags containing food.
- (c) Move quietly as noise will disturb the animals and deprive you of the chance of seeing them. Leave radios and sound systems at home.
- (d) Keep to the designated trails and boardwalks.
- (e) Carry your litter with you and dispose of it in a bin outside the forest.
- (f) Smoking is prohibited.
- (g) Water in the streams and reservoirs are important parts of the ecosystem. Please do not bathe or wash in them.
- (h) For the safety and convenience of other visitors, please do not put up any signs, flags or markers or vandalised the amenities within the nature reserves.
- (i) Setting of fires, camping or staying overnight and night hiking are prohibited.
- (j) Games, adventure activities and other physical team challenges are not allowed in the nature reserves.

Offenders of any of the **Parks and Trees Act 2005** shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$50,000 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or both.

Do seek the advice of Rangers, Officers and Nature Wardens or Volunteers who are here to assist you. For matters relating to the Central Nature Reserve or in cases of emergencies please contact the rangers at 6468 5736.

Trail Etiquette – Caring for Our Natural Heritage

The Nature Reserves are habitats to a large number of animals and plant species. To sight these unique animals and plants and to make your visit to the Nature Reserves more enjoyable and fruitful, do observe the following:

1. Forest animals are shy and elusive. To sight them, it is important to remain quiet. Loud voices and noises make it difficult to sight these unique creatures.
2. The nature reserves contain a large number of beautiful butterflies and insects; however, extensive use of insect repellents has caused them to disappear from the trails. Use insect repellents cautiously if you wish to observe these beautiful insects.
3. The nature reserve, and all its plants and animals, are protected. Take home nothing but photographs.
4. The forest does not recycle your rubbish. Please leave behind nothing but footprints.
5. It is wise to keep within designated trails and roads. Hikers are advised not to use the biking trail.
6. For an enjoyable walk, be sure to wear light clothing and comfortable walking shoes.
7. Bring enough drinking water.
8. Your pets, including dogs, are not allowed in the nature reserves.
9. Refrain from bringing food to the nature reserves or eating in the presence of monkeys.
10. Avoid carrying plastic bags in the nature reserves.
11. Observe all signs and information boards that are provided for your safety and enjoyment.
12. In the event of heavy rain or thunderstorm, take cover under shelters.
13. If you encounter any snakes, do not provoke it. Move away slowly and avoid sudden movements. Inform the duty ranger of your sighting immediately.

Do seek the advice of Rangers, Officers and Nature Wardens or Volunteers who are here to assist you. If you have sighted any interesting animals or plants or any illegal activities, do inform the duty rangers or contact us at 6468 5736.

Thank you.