

# Be a Child Safe Traveller

Children working and living in tourist areas are especially vulnerable to physical, emotional and sexual abuse.

Travellers have a part to play in creating a safer tourism environment for children — our small actions can make a big difference to help protect children from abuse and exploitation.









# Small actions, big changes The choices you make can directly impact children's lives.

#### ACTION 1

If you are concerned about the welfare of any child, tell your tour guide immediately.

#### **ACTION 2**

Instead of giving money directly to children begging or selling food or souvenirs, support their families and communities or donate to reputable children's charities.

#### ACTION 3

Treat children like you would in your home country. Before taking photos of children, always ask for their permission.

# ACTION 4

Never take a child anywhere without the supervision and permission of their parents or guardian.

# ACTION 5

Please don't support 'orphanage tourism'. Visiting and volunteering with children in institutional care can be detrimental to their emotional and physical well-being. Instead support organisations and initiatives that enable children to be cared for within a family.

# ACTION 6

Spread the word about Child Safe Tourism. Share this information with your friends and family while you travel and when you return home.



To learn more what you can do to help protect children, visit www.childsafetourism.org