



Rules for Tarumã Sanctuary

Learning through example is one of the most powerful ways to teach. In order to ensure that our collective experiences at Tarumã Sanctuary are positive, nurturing ones, we ask that all visitors respect the following rules:

- **The killing of animals, birds, plants, or insect life is prohibited. Every creature has a place in the environment and each one contributes to the balance and stability of the Sanctuary.**
- **Hunting is NOT allowed at the Sanctuary at anytime.**
- **Be mindful of the resident birds and wildlife that call the Sanctuary "home." Do not disturb any animals or birds, especially during the nesting and breeding season.**
- **Canoeing and swimming is not allowed in the river or "igarapes".**
- **Hiking is permitted only on cleared trails or along the "Onça path." For your safety, please ask permission before setting out on a hike as conditions can change without warning in the Amazon.**
- **Plants growing inside the Sanctuary are not to be harvested, collected, removed or otherwise damaged.**
- **Illegal drugs, intoxicants, and alcoholic beverages are not permitted inside the Sanctuary.**
- **Smoking and chewing tobacco is not permitted anywhere at Tarumã Sanctuary, with the exception of practices done within the context of native ceremonies.**

- **Do not move furniture or other Sanctuary belongings from inside the shacks, houses or the grounds without permission.**
- **Please treat the grounds, buildings and family friends with love and respect.**
- **Candles and incense are allowed in the main room only, and should not be left unattended. Only votive-type candles should be used, tapered candles are not allowed at any time.**
- **Open fires are not permitted. The Sacred Fire Ceremony is held at the fire ring only and shall be attended at all times.**
- **Keep your private area (Hammock-luggage) neat and orderly. Don't hang laundry all over the railings or electrical wires. Please use the designated clotheslines. Don't occupy more than your share of the space and please don't be a litter bug.**
- **Stealing, public sexual activity, nudity, and dishonesty bring negative energy to the Sanctuary. Respect for other cultures is important. Please conduct yourself accordingly.**
- **Recycling is important at Tarumã. Please do not bring along plastic packaging or other non-biodegradable, toxic chemical items to the Sanctuary as these can not be composted.**