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ARTICLE 1: WASTE MANAGEMENT



- 1.1) I COMMIT TO NOT THROWING WASTE INTO THE SEA.
- 1.2 I COMMIT TO COLLECTING CIGARETTE BUTTS FROM MY TEAM AND MY CLIENTS.





- I COMMIT TO BRINGING BACK THE WASTE GENERATED BY MY BUSINESS ON THE ISLAND OF NOSY BE.
- I COMMIT TO REDUCING MY USE OF PLASTIC BY PRIORITISING REUSABLE AND PLASTIC-FREE ALTERNATIVES.

ARTICLE 2: RESPECT FOR MARINE RESERVES AND PROTECTED MARINE AREAS



I COMMIT TO RESPECTING THE REGULATIONS IN FORCE IN MARINE RESERVES (NATIONAL PARKS) AND PROTECTED MARINE AREAS.



ARTICLE 3: RESPECT FOR CORAL REEFS



I COMMIT TO AVOIDING ANY TRAMPLING OF CORALS DURING DIVES OR SEA TRIPS.





I COMMIT TO RAISING AWARENESS AMONG MY CLIENTS TO LIMIT THE USE OF SUNSCREEN AND TO RECOMMEND APPLYING IT AT LEAST 30 MINUTES BEFORE ENTERING THE WATER.



- I COMMIT TO ENCOURAGING THE USE OF LYCRA AND ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY SUNSCREENS.
- I COMMIT TO NOT COLLECTING SHELLS OR CORALS, IN THE SEA OR ON THE BEACHES.



I COMMIT TO COORDINATING WITH OTHER DIVE CENTRES TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF DESCENT LINES INTO THE WATER.

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ARTICLE 4: RESPECT FOR SPEED LIMITS WHEN APPROACHING THE COAST



I COMMIT TO RESPECTING THE REGULATION IN FORCE LIMITING SPEED TO 5 KNOTS IN THE COASTAL ZONE OF 300 M.

ARTICLE 5: RESPECT FOR APPROACH CHARTERS





I COMMIT TO CONDUCTING A BRIEFING BEFORE EACH SEA TRIP AND DOING EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO ENSURE MY CLIENTS' GOOD PRACTICES: NO JUMPING, NO TOUCHING, NO SHOUTING, REMAIN CALM, AND MAINTAIN A RESPECTFUL DISTANCE.



I COMMIT TO RAISING AWARENESS AND TRAINING MY EMPLOYEES,
INTERNS, AND VOLUNTEERS IN RESPECTING THE PRINCIPLES OF THIS
CHARTER.

ARTICLE 6: WHALE SHARK OBSERVATION



- 6.1 I COMMIT TO LIMITING TO 4 THE NUMBER OF WATER ENTRIES WITH THE SAME GROUP OF TOURISTS DURING AN OUTING, WITH A MAXIMUM OF 2 ATTEMPTS PER INDIVIDUAL.
- I COMMIT TO NOT APPROACHING AN AREA WHERE THERE IS A WHALE SHARK AND MORE THAN 4 BOATS.
- 1 COMMIT TO FORBIDDING ANY CLIENT FROM RETURNING TO THE WATER IF
 HE/SHE HAS VOLUNTARILY TOUCHED THE WHALE SHARK.
- I COMMIT TO MAINTAINING A DISTANCE OF MORE THAN 5 METRES WHEN THE WHALE SHARK IS ACTIVELY FEEDING (IN FEEDING OR VERTICAL POSITION).

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ARTICLE 7: HUMPBACK WHALE AND CETACEAN OBSERVATION

I COMMIT TO RESPECTING THE BAN ON SWIMMING WITH HUMPBACK WHALES AND OMURA'S WHALES FROM ORDER NO. 33626/2023-MINTOUR.

ARTICLE 8: GREEN TURTLE OBSERVATION



I COMMIT TO MOORING MY BUSINESS'S BOAT OUTSIDE THE SEAGRASS BEDS OF SAKATIA AND NOSY IRANJA AND TO USING THE BUOYS PROVIDED FOR THIS PURPOSE AS SOON AS THEY ARE INSTALLED.







I COMMIT TO PRESERVING THE SEAGRASS BEDS OF SAKATIA AND NOSY IRANJA BY AVOIDING ANY TRAMPLING.



ARTICLE 9: CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COLLECTIVE'S ACTIONS

- IN THE EVENT OF TRAINING SESSIONS, SEMINARS, MEETINGS OR EVENTS
 BEING ORGANISED, I COMMIT TO PARTICIPATING AND TO PASSING ON THE
 INFORMATION TO MY TEAM.
- I COMMIT TO ADOPTING RESPONSIBLE AND EXEMPLARY BEHAVIOUR.



- 9.3 I COMMIT TO REPRESENTING THE VOICE OF THE COLLECTIVE IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES, WITH INTEGRITY AND COMMITMENT.
- 1 COMMIT TO ACTIVELY CONTRIBUTING TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE
 COLLECTIVE BY MOBILISING THE RESOURCES OF MY BUSINESS AND MAKING
 HUMAN, MATERIAL AND FINANCIAL MEANS AVAILABLE.