

## Responsible Wildlife Watching



### Code of Conduct

- If dolphins are sighted, you should slow down gradually to no wake speed and maintain this speed until clear of the animals.
- Don't chase the dolphins, circle them, or drive your boat directly toward them.
- If you wish to approach the dolphins, do it very slowly, keeping parallel to their course and avoid sudden changes of direction or speed which could confuse or disorient them.
- Do not drive through or between groups of dolphins.
- Move away slowly if you notice signs of disturbance from the dolphins, such as erratic changes in speed and direction or lengthy periods under water. Slapping of the tail and/or head of the surface of the water may be a sign of distress.
- Avoid dolphins with young and DO NOT make loud noises.
- Allow the animals to approach you. If they do approach and 'bowride' maintain steady speed and steady course.
- If already in the water snorkelling, remain calm, do not get over excited, and let them approach you, instead you to them.
- Try no to have more than 2 boats at one time at dolphin sightings and keep a distance of not less than 100 m of the animals.
- Do not spend more than 20 minutes (at a time) with the animals (bear in mind the need of other operators who too want to offer their clients the opportunity).
- Do not dispose of fuel or oil in the SEA/OCEAN and other contaminants. Dispose off in appropriate containers on board the boat or at your destination, not into the SEA.
- Do NOT feed, touch or swim with the dolphins.