Essential information

You can book your Kidney Island Permit by visiting https://kidneyisland.simplybook.me/v2/

Find out more about your Trip to Kidney Island at <u>https://www.falklands.gov.fk/policy/</u> environment/kidney-island

Your group should be physically able to cope with the journey by boat and walking in rough terrain on the island.

Your group should be vigilant of any wild animals in the Tussac at all times .

In case of an emergency you or the group leader must have a working radio or phone to call for help.

Please note that the Falkland Islands Government cannot accept liability for your trip to Kidney Island.

Useful Numbers

Environmental Department: 28449 Biosecurity Officer (DoA): 27355 KEMH (Hospital): 28000 Sulivan Shipping for Launches: 22626 In an Emergency: 999

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Guide Information



Guiding on Kidney Island

Who can guide on Kidney Island?

Anyone can as long as you have visited Kidney Island before and feel confident enough to take people there.

What does a guide need to do?

We ask that guides are **responsible for our natural environment** by following the Countryside Code and making sure the other members of your group do the same.

What to know before you go

- Familiarize yourself with the **Country**side Code
- Before boarding the Launch, ask visitors to check their clothes, bags and shoes for any seeds or dirt
- Disinfect footwear with biocides such as Virkon/ bleach solution before getting to Kidney, as this helps to prevent any dangerous pathogens reaching Kidney Island.
- Share with your group what they are going to experience when they get to Kidney Island.

Hut

The Countryside Code (Kidney Island Version)

- Be aware of the high fire risks and do not smoke or light any open flames on Kidney Island
- Do not drop litter, please take your rubbish home with you
- Do not disfigure rocks or buildings
- Do not feed, touch, handle, injure or kill any wild animal
- Always give animals the right of way and do not to block the routes of seabirds and seals coming ashore to their colonies
- Try to prevent any undue disturbance to wild animals and stay on the outside of bird and seal colonies
- Remain at least 6 m (20 ft) away from wild animals
- When taking photographs or filming stay low to the ground
- Do not startle or chase wildlife from resting or breeding areas
- Some plants are protected and should not be picked
- Whalebones, skulls, eggs or other such items should be left where they are found



On Kidney Island

- Don't bring any animals or plants onto the island, including pets

Rockhoppers - Please seal any food in an airtight container

- Don't disturb rodent bait boxes

Dix's Cove

 -If you notice any plant or animal that doesn't belong — let us know!

- Avoid the dense area of shearwater burrows

- Do not enter the hut