

## Essential information

- 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
- Sullivan Shipping for Launches: 22626
- FIC Shipping for Launches: 27630
- In an Emergency: 999

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# Kidney Island

## 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?

All we ask is 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

- Familiarise yourself with the **Countryside Code**
- Before boarding the Launch, ask visitors to **check their clothes, bags and shoes** for any seeds or dirt
- **Step through our Virkon® footbath** before you get on the boat, 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

# HAVE FUN!

## 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 remember 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
- Please **seal any food** in an airtight container
- **Don't disturb rodent bait boxes**
- If you notice any plant or animal that doesn't belong — let us know!
- **Avoid** the dense area of **shearwater burrows**
- **Don't enter the hut**

