

Sanctuary checklist



Beware of tourist venues that call themselves a sanctuary, rescue centre or park but don't meet the Five Freedoms of Animal Welfare. This checklist will help you recognize a genuine wildlife sanctuary.

A good sanctuary:

- Does not breed animals unless they are being released into the wild.
- Does not engage in the commercial trade of animals or animal parts.
- Does not force animals to perform unnatural acts (like rides, shows and tricks) or to interact with people but instead lets the animals behave naturally.
- Discourages the keeping of wild animals as pets and for entertainment.
- Does not take in more animals than it can take care of humanely.