How to be a Cape York Thoughtful Traveller

Need

Invasive weeds are choking the Cape. They love to hitch a ride on your vehicles, clothes and tents. They are an increasing threat to native plants and animals, farm crops and to the region's cultural heritage.

WASH DOWN YOUR VEHICLE BEFORE YOU TRAVEL TO THE CAPE

Make sure you give your vehicle a thorough wash down before entering the Cape.

TAKE A DUSTPAN AND BRUSH

Before you travel, remove weed seeds from inside your vehicle, bulbar, wheel arches, tailgates, stone guards etc. Put them securely in your rubbish to take out with you.

Don't throw seeds into your campfire. Fire causes some seeds to grow.

SHAKE OUT YOUR CAMPING GEAR BEFORE PACKING UP

Do this before you travel to the Cape and then every time you pack up a camp site. Use a brush to sweep out your tents, swags and other camping gear, to remove weed seeds.

CHECK YOUR CLOTHING

Weed seeds stick very easily to socks, shoes and clothing. So check your clothing thoroughly, and place all removed plant materials securely in your rubbish to take out with you.

REPORT IT

If you notice a strange plant or unusual looking weed please report it to the local Council or Rangers. Record and report GPS points if you have them. Take a photo if you can, to help Rangers or Council staff identify the plant.

If you're interested in learning more, further information is also available

http://landmanager.capeyorknrm.com.au/weeds-tool

STICK TO EXISTING TRACKS

Avoid making any new tracks with your vehicle as this can rapidly spread weeds.



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