

To those who visit the islands

Preventing introduction of non-native species into Ogasawara Islands

Ogasawara Islands have never been connected to any continent, therefore, species living on the islands have evolved independently and constitute a unique ecosystem that is the reason for the inscription of World Natural Heritage. However, those ecosystems are very vulnerable and once non-native species are introduced and settled, it will have a huge impact on the ecosystem. In addition, it will take a large amount of money and time for taking measures and it is very difficult to eradicate them. Thus, it is very important not to bring non-native species into Ogasawara Islands in order to protect the fragile ecosystem.

Things we can do to protect the nature of Ogasawara

No introduction of non-native species

Intentional

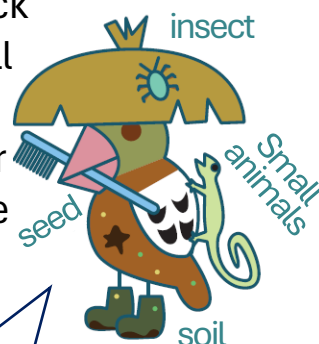
Please do not bring in plants, animals, soils, and seedlings with soil that may spread to Ogasawara from other areas.



Do not spread non-native species

When you go for a hike or visit other island, please check for seeds and small creatures attached to or hidden in your bags, clothes, shoe soles, and kayaks/ships.

Clean your shoe soles before going out.



Visiting the islands with a pet *

*In the case of oversea ships, animals are not allowed to land due to various laws of animal quarantine.

On the island

Right husbandry leads to no runaway

Eight things to protect your pet life



- Do not let it out
- Do not feed without permission
- Try to understand your pet well

- Keep your pet clean
- Keep your pet for life
- Manage your pet identification
- Do not breed if you cannot manage
- Take good care of your pet with fixed number

From the Ogasawara Village Ordinance of Proper Husbandry and Management of Pet Animals (the Pet Ordinance)

Preventing unintentional introduction

Please do the same check before coming to the islands. **Try to scrub your shoe soles** with a mat when getting on and off the ship.

Contact

【About new non-native species】

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【About the Pet Ordinance】

Please contact in advance when visiting the islands with a pet
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Ogasawara Islands World Natural Heritage Area Management Authorities

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