



# Safety instructions - Hiking with a donkey

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Hiking with a donkey is an accessible and rewarding activity, but it involves the presence of a living, sensitive and sometimes unpredictable animal. For the safety of all - especially children - please read the following instructions carefully:

## Rules for behaviour with donkeys

- - Always approach the donkey calmly, speaking softly.
- - Never shout, run or make sudden movements near the animal.
- - Never go under the donkey's ropes or neck.
- - Do not stand behind the donkey: it could kick if it feels surprised or threatened.

## Common risks to avoid

- - Crushed feet: watch out for hooves! Wear closed shoes and teach children to stay away from the legs.
- - Bites: never hold food out with your fingers. Place food flat in the hand.
- - Kick: always approach the donkey from the side or front, never from behind.

## Children near the donkey

- - Children must always be accompanied and supervised.
- - Never let a child hang or climb on the donkey alone.
- - If a child climbs onto the donkey (on foot or astride): it is strongly recommended that they wear a helmet (a bicycle helmet is sufficient).

## ! In the event of an incident

On the other hand, if an accident occurs as a result of not following these instructions - for example, a child being injured while riding in a dangerous position - the responsibility lies with the parents or carers. The owner cannot be held responsible for responsible for any inappropriate behaviour towards the animal.