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The goal of the reserve is to ensure the perpetuation of the landscape, springs and waterfalls, flora, fauna and mineralogy of the area. Remember: the animals, plants, water, rocks and traces of the past are an inseparable part of the reserve while we the visitors are only guests for a short time.

By following the instructions listed below, you will guarantee that the reserve remains unspoiled, ensure your own safety and will be able to enjoy your stay.

Rules of Behavior While Visiting the En Gedi Nature Reserve

1. Do not litter or damage natural or man-made objects.
2. Do not bring musical instruments or radios into the reserve.
3. Keep the reserve clean and take your garbage away with you.
4. Do not climb walls of ancient structures and do not enter buildings that are marked "closed to visitors."
5. Do not bring in pets.
6. Do not feed the animals.

The En Gedi oasis contains sources of water and food that are vital to the wildlife's existence.

The limited number of hours that the reserve is open makes it possible for the animals to reach their water source. Do not depend on natural water sources for drinking water.

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*2 indicates activity is according to standard time, during daylight saving time, add one hour