

# POLAR BEAR EXPLORERS' CLUB

## RULES

1. Polar Bear explorers will keep their moustaches trimmed, waxed and generally well-groomed at all times. Any explorer found with a slovenly moustache will be asked to withdraw from the club's public rooms immediately.
2. Explorers with disorderly moustaches or unkempt beards will also be refused entry to the members-only bar, the private dining room and the gentleman's billiards room without exception.
3. All igloos on club property must contain a flask of hot chocolate and an adequate supply of marshmallows at all times.
4. Only polar bear-shaped marshmallows are to be served on club property. Additionally, the following breakfast items will be prepared in polar bear-shape only: pancakes, waffles, crumpets, sticky pastries, fruit jellies and donuts. Please do not request alternative shapes or animals from the kitchen – including penguins, walruses, woolly mammoths or yetis – as this offends the chef.
5. Members are kindly reminded that when the chef is offended, insulted or peeved, there will be nothing on offer in the dining room whatsoever except for buttered toast. This toast will be bread-shaped.
6. Explorers must not hunt or harm unicorns under any circumstances.
7. All Polar Bear Explorers' Club sleighs must be properly decorated with seven brass bells, and must contain the following items: five fleecy blankets, three hot water bottles in knitted jumpers, two flasks of emergency hot chocolate and a warmed basket of buttered crumpets (polar bear shaped).
8. Please do not take penguins into the club's saltwater baths; they will hog the Jacuzzi.
9. All penguins are the property of the club and are not to be removed by explorers. The club reserves the right to search any suspiciously-shaped bags. Any bag that moves by itself will automatically be deemed suspicious.
10. All snowmen built on club property must have appropriately groomed moustaches. Please note that a carrot is not a suitable object to use as a moustache. Nor is an aubergine. If in doubt, the club president is always available for consultation regarding snowmen's moustaches.
11. It is considered bad form to threaten other club members with icicles, snowballs or oddly-dressed snowmen.
12. Whistling ducks are not permitted on club property. Any member found with a whistling duck in his possession will be asked to leave.

Upon initiation, all Polar Bear explorers shall receive an explorer's bag containing the following items:

- One tin of Captain Filibuster's Expedition-Strength Moustache Wax.
- One bottle of Captain Filibuster's Scented Beard Oil.
- One folding pocket moustache comb.
- One ivory-handled shaving brush, two pairs of grooming scissors and four individually-wrapped cakes of luxurious foaming shaving soap.
- Two compact pocket mirrors.



# OCEAN SQUID EXPLORERS' CLUB

## RULES

1. Sea monsters, kraken and giant squid trophies are the private property of the club, and cannot be removed to adorn private homes. Explorers will be charged for any decorative tentacles that are found to be missing from their rooms.
2. Explorers are not to fraternise – or join forces – with pirates or smugglers during the course of any official expedition.
3. Poisonous puffer fish, barbed wire jellyfish, saltwater stingrays and electric eels are not appropriate fillings for pies and/or sandwiches. Any such requests sent to the kitchen will be politely rejected.
4. Explorers are kindly asked to refrain from offering to show the club's chef how to prepare sea snakes, sharks, crustaceans or deep-sea monsters for human consumption. This includes the creatures listed in rule number three. Please respect the expert knowledge of the chef.
5. The Ocean Squid Explorers' Club does not consider the sea cucumber to be a trophy worthy of reward or recognition. This includes the lesser-found biting cucumber, as well as the singing cucumber and the argumentative cucumber.
6. Any Ocean Squid explorer who gifts the club with a tentacle from the screeching red devil squid will be rewarded with a year's supply of Captain Ishmael's Premium Dark Rum.
7. Please do not leave docked submarines in a submerged state – it wreaks havoc with the club's valet service.
8. Explorers are kindly asked not to leave deceased sea monsters in the hallways or any of the club's communal rooms. Unattended sea monsters are liable to be removed to the kitchens without notice.
9. The South Seas Navigation Company will not accept liability for any damage caused to their submarines. This includes damage caused by giant squid attacks, whale ambushes and jellyfish plots.
10. Explorers are not to use the map room to compare the length of squid tentacles or other trophies. Kindly use the marked areas within the trophy rooms to settle any private wagers or bets.
11. Please note: any explorer who threatens another explorer with a harpoon cannon will be suspended from the club immediately.

Upon initiation, all Ocean Squid explorers shall receive an explorer's bag containing the following items:

- One tin of Captain Ishmael's Kraken Bait.
- One kraken net.
- One engraved hip flask filled with Captain Ishmael's Expedition-Strength Salted Rum.
- Two sharpened fishing spears and three bags of hunting barbs.
- Five tins of Captain Ishmael's Harpoon Cannon Polish.



# JUNGLE CAT EXPLORERS' CLUB

## RULES

1. Members of the Jungle Cat Explorers' Club shall refrain from picnicking in a slovenly manner. All expedition picnics are to be conducted with grace, poise and elegance.
2. All expedition picnicware must be made from solid silver, and kept perfectly polished at all times.
3. Champagne-carrier hampers must be constructed from high-grade wickerwork, premium leather or teak wood. Please note that champagne carriers considered 'tacky' will not be accepted onto the luggage elephant under ANY circumstances.
4. Expedition picnics will not take place unless there are scones present. Ideally, there should also be magic lanterns, pixie cakes and an assortment of fairy jellies.
5. Oriental whip snakes, alligator snapping turtles, horned baboon tarantulas and flying panthers must be kept securely under lock and key whilst on club premises.
6. Do not torment or tease the jungle fairies. They will bite and may also catapult their tormenters with tiny, but extremely potent, stink-berries. Please be warned that stink-berries smell worse than anything you can imagine, including unwashed feet, mouldy cheese, elephant poo and hippopotamus burps.
7. Jungle fairies must be allowed to join expedition picnics if they bring an offering of any of the following: elephant cakes, striped giraffe scones, or fizzy tiger punch from the Forbidden Jungle Tiger Temple.
8. Jungle fairy boats have right of way on the Tikki Zikki River under all circumstances, including when there are piranhas present.
9. Spears are to be pointed away from other club members at all times.
10. When travelling by elephant, explorers are kindly asked to supply their own bananas.
11. If and when confronted by an enraged hippopotamus, a Jungle Cat explorer must remain calm and act with haste to avoid any damage befalling the expedition boat (please note that the Jungle Navigation Company expects all boats to be returned to them in pristine condition).
12. Members are courteously reminded that – due to the size and smell of the beasts in question – the club's elephant house is not an appropriate venue in which to host soirees, banquets, galas or hindigs. Carousing of any kind in the elephant house is strictly prohibited.

Upon initiation, all Jungle Cat explorers shall receive an explorer's bag containing the following items:

- An elegant mother-of-pearl knife and fork, inscribed with the explorer's initials.
- One silverware polishing kit.
- One engraved Jungle Cat Explorers' Club napkin ring and five luxury linen napkins – ironed, starched and embossed with the club's insignia.
- One magic lantern with fire pixie.
- One tin of Captain Greystoke's Expedition-Flavour Smoked Caviar.
- One corkscrew, two Scotch egg knives and three wicker grape baskets



# DESERT JACKAL EXPLORERS' CLUB

## RULES

1. Magical flying carpets are to be kept tightly rolled when on club premises. Any damage caused by out-of-control flying carpets will be considered the sole responsibility of the explorer in question.
2. Enchanted genie lamps must stay in their owner's possession at all times.
3. Please note: genies are strictly prohibited at the bar and at the bridge tables.
4. Tents are for serious expedition use only, and are not to be used to host parties, gatherings, chinwags, or chit-chats.
5. Camels must not be permitted – or encouraged – to spit at other club members.
6. Jumping cactuses are not allowed inside the club unless under exceptional circumstances.
7. Please do not remove flags, maps or wallabies from the club.
8. Club members are not permitted to settle disagreements via camel racing between the hours of midnight and sunrise.
9. The club kangaroos, coyotes, sand cats and rattlesnakes are to be respected at all times.
10. Members who wish to keep all their fingers are advised not to torment the giant desert hairy scorpions, irritate the bearded vultures or vex the spotted desert recluse spiders.
11. Explorers are kindly asked to refrain from washing their feet in the drinking water tureens at the club's entrance, which are provided strictly for our members' refreshment.
12. Sand forts may be constructed on club grounds, providing explorers empty all sand from their sandals, pockets, bags, binocular cases and helmets before entering the club.
13. Explorers are asked not to take camel decoration to extremes. Desert Jackal Explorers' Club camels may wear a maximum of one jewelled necklace, one tasselled headdress and/or bandana, seven plain gold anklets, up to four knee bells and one floral snout decoration.

Upon initiation, all Desert Jackal explorers shall receive an explorer's bag containing the following items:

- One foldable leather safari hat or one pith helmet.
- One canister of tropical-strength giant desert hairy scorpion repellent.
- One shovel (please note this object's usefulness in the event of being buried alive in a sand storm).
- One camel-grooming kit, consisting of: organic camel shampoo, camel eyelash curlers, head brush, toenail trimmers and hoof-polishers (kindly provided by the National Camel Grooming Association).
- Two spare genie lamps and one spare genie bottle.

