

# INTO *the New Mexico* WILD

## GROUND RULES



**LEAVE NO TRACE**  
*take only photos  
leave only footprints*



**KEEP GROUPS SMALL**  
*check local forest office  
for group size limit*



**CAMP RESPONSIBLY**  
*away from trails & water  
sources*



**HUNT RESPONSIBLY**  
*obtain all necessary  
permits*



**NO MECHANIZED USE**  
*vehicles & mechanized  
equipment prohibited*

## wil•der•ness

*" ... lands designated for  
preservation and protection in their  
natural condition ... "*

Wilderness areas are public lands set aside by Congress to remain wild forever. The Wilderness Act of 1964 describes them as places devoted to the public purposes of recreation, scenic, scientific, educational, conservation, and historic use. These areas are managed by four federal agencies, including the United States Forest Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, and United States Fish & Wildlife Service.

Land protected under the National Wilderness Preservation System makes up almost five percent of the entire area of the United States. Wilderness has vast ecological and cultural value, which should be preserved for future generations. It is the responsibility of all visitors to be respectful and to leave no trace.

Public lands are for everyone, but be sure to proceed with caution. Hazards in the wilderness are unpredictable. Be sure to plan ahead, use common sense, and expect to be self-reliant. Wilderness is managed to preserve its primitive character, so trail signs and improvements will be minimal if present at all.

Visit [www.fs.fed.us](http://www.fs.fed.us) for more information, and contact the local forest office for area-specific rules and regulations.



**PREVENT WILDFIRES**  
*90% of wildfires are  
caused by humans*



**Thank you!**



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