

SUNVIL HOLIDAYS AND GIC ARE SUPPORTING

The Travel Foundation's Make Holidays Greener Week

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Make Holidays Greener Week is a consumer campaign, which aims to raise awareness of the **positive impacts** our annual holidays can bring to local communities and the environment if carefully planned and managed.

By thinking a little about our holiday destinations before we travel, and taking some simple steps when we are there, we can gain so much more from our holidays. We can also benefit the places we visit.

Fact

Sunvil uses local suppliers and representatives wherever possible.

Fact

Sunvil believes that it is our responsibility to learn and respect the customs and culture of the destinations that we operate to.

Fact

Sunvil is dedicated to the destinations it features, and the long-term, sustainable development of its resorts.

What can you do?

We have compiled a list of simple things that you can do, that will help to make your holiday greener.

We would like to **CHALLENGE** you to do the following:

- **Buy local** whether shopping for food, souvenirs, or excursions. You will not only meet local people but will also benefit the economy.
- **Use water sparingly** and help to conserve this valuable commodity in our destinations.
- **Remove all packaging before you go on holiday**, as many of our destinations do not offer recycling facilities. This small change can help reduce levels of waste and keep your resort clean.
- **Turn off lights and air-conditioning** when not required, thus reducing emissions and conserving energy supplies.

The Travel Foundation is a UK charity that cares for the places we love to visit

Sunvil and GIC The Villa Collection are supporting the work of the Travel Foundation by donating 50p from every holiday booked and providing help in kind in the way of complimentary flights, accommodation and other services to help the workings of the charity.



Our representatives are supporting Make Holidays Greener Week

Wendy from Chrani, Peloponnese

Will be encouraging guests to reduce the use of plastic bags in the resort as well as offering the opportunity to recycle books.

Welcome packs for our apartments will feature local produce.

Jackie from Tolon, Peloponnese

Is offering local suppliers the opportunity to showcase their products and produce at her office.

All guests will be provided with a biodegradable rubbish bag in which to place recyclables. This will be used to highlight waste problems with the mayoral office.



Anna from Fiscardo, Kefalonia

Will be promoting local arts and crafts in her harbour-side office.

Carole from Lourdas, Kefalonia

Will be holding a craft stall at the Lourdas Beach Apartments in Lourdas, showcasing products made from local marble.



Lynne from Tilos

Guests are invited to attend a tasting of the famous Tilos thyme honey at the Armenon restaurant in Livadia. Learn about the making of the honey and the importance of the honeybee from beekeeper Ian Hogg as well as supporting local beekeepers.

Lubos from the Pelion

Will be including local produce in all welcome packs, and environmentally friendly cleaning products where possible.





Dinah from Alonissos

Will offer guests the opportunity to recycle and swap their books and magazines at a charity stall in aid of ASAP, the Alonissos Society for Animal Protection.

As well as encouraging guests to reduce the use of plastic bags on the island through the sale of re-useable bags.



Paxos

All our welcome packs and hampers will be provided by a local restaurant specialising in traditional cuisine.

Linda from Crete

There are limited recycling facilities in Kalives and Almirida. There are only a couple of blue recycling bins in the resorts and one yellow, glass recycling bin.

Guests will be asked to separate their waste at their apartments, and this will be taken to the nearest recycle point.

This list is not exhaustive...

Our representatives' support and work closely with many local charities and care for the destinations in which they live and work. For further inspiration on how to get the most out of your holiday, whilst benefiting your host community, please speak to your representative.

Further information about Make Holidays Greener Week can be found on the Travel Foundation's website www.makeholidaygreener.org.uk

Please help to keep holidays special by caring for both the environment and the local people in our destinations.

