



# TIPS FOR TRAVELERS

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DO TAKE A MOMENT TO OBSERVE THOSE AROUND YOU AND BE ALERT AND AWARE.

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DO TRY TO LIMIT USE OF SLEEP AIDS. EVEN IF YOU FALL ASLEEP YOU WANT A LEVEL OF WAKEFULNESS TO RESPOND TO ANY MISCONDUCT.

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DO LEAVE THE ARMREST DOWN.

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DON'T ASSUME THAT NONSEXUAL TOUCHING FROM YOUR SEATMATE IS INNOCENT IF IT HAPPENS REPEATEDLY. IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERN, SAY SOMETHING, TELL THE FLIGHT ATTENDANT, REQUEST A SEAT CHANGE.

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DO DRAW ATTENTION TO SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY. PLANE SEXUAL ASSAULTS ARE "QUIET" CRIMES THAT OCCUR IN THE DARK, UNDER BLANKETS, ETC.

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DO REPORT SEXUAL MISCONDUCT SUCH AS INDECENT EXPOSURE OR UPSKIRT PHOTOGRAPHY. IF YOU OBSERVE QUESTIONABLE BEHAVIOR BY ANOTHER PASSENGER, PLEASE REPORT IT IMMEDIATELY.

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DON'T REMAIN IN YOUR SEAT IF YOU ARE IN AN UNCOMFORTABLE OR DANGEROUS SITUATION. LEAVE YOUR SEAT AND REPORT YOUR CONCERN TO A FLIGHT ATTENDANT.

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DO REQUEST THAT YOUR FAMILY SIT TOGETHER, ESPECIALLY IF YOU HAVE YOUNG CHILDREN WHO ARE BEING SEATED ALONE OR AWAY FROM THE PARENTS.

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DO DESIGNATE ANY CHILD UNDER 14 TRAVELING ALONE AS AN UNACCOMPANIED MINOR THAT THE AIRLINE WILL GIVE CLOSER CARE AND ATTENTION.

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DO EDUCATE YOUR FAMILY MEMBERS ABOUT THESE TIPS, ESPECIALLY CHILDREN 14-17 YEARS OLD, AND HIGHLIGHT THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING AWARE OF AND IMMEDIATELY REPORTING ANY INAPPROPRIATE TOUCHING.