



MILLENNIUM
HOTEL
CHRISTCHURCH

**ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY OPTIONS
FOR IN-HOUSE GUESTS**

At Millennium Hotel Christchurch we recognise that our business and our activities have an impact on the environment in which we operate, and that it is our responsibility to take steps to achieve sound environmental performance.

We invite our guests staying in the hotel to join us in our endeavours to reduce this impact on the environment by taking advantage of a number of options made available to you.

‘GOING GREEN’ DOOR CARD

If you are staying more than one night in the hotel, you may wish to take advantage of our ‘Going Green’ door card, which offers you the option to decline housekeeping servicing of your room.

You just need to place this card on the outside of your door before you go to bed at night or in the morning before you leave your room. This will let us know that you do not require our housekeeping assistance this day.

This is a daily option, so if you decide on any other day of your stay that you would like your room serviced then just remove the card from your door.

Choosing this option saves energy and water consumption. It also saves on our service times, and as a result, funding will be generated daily from this contribution you have made, to the environment programmes operated by the Untouched World Charitable Trust, and supported by the hotel.



The Trust’s activities are centred on providing young adults with uniquely practical experiences, developing life skills to maximise their potential and inspiring them to lead the way in *‘shifting their thinking’* and achieving a sustainable future. The Trust’s goal is to play a leading part in the creation of a world where each individuals full potential is realised, while assisting the planet to sustain its life force, diversity and ability to support future generations.

The Trust has a number of specific programmes it is committed to. The Blumine Island, Marlborough Sounds, project to restore the island to its original state without introduced predators, and then developing a sanctuary of at risk native animal and plant species. In Canterbury, *“there is no such place as away”* project, focusing on consumption, and the politics of ‘shopping’, exploring outcomes of our choices in terms of waste, land and resource management.

UNTOUCHED WORLD CHARITABLE TRUST – CONTINUED

In the North Island direct work with Kiwi conservation at Ruapehu and in Auckland focused on the key drivers for sustainable growth. There are a variety of key local and national partnerships which assist UWCT to provide these programmes, the Millennium joining DOC, BNZ Save the Kiwi Trust and Canterbury/Marlborough Community Trust amongst others.

In November 2007, Untouched World became one of a small number of organisations internationally to be given permission by UNESCO to carry the United Nations Decade of Education of Sustainable Development logo. The award recognises the efforts of Untouched World and the Charitable Trust in the area of education for sustainability.

More information is available <http://www.untouchedworld.com/charitable-trust/Information/>

RECYCLING

Guests are invited to recycle all glass, plastics (including your used bathroom amenity bottles) and paper from in their accommodation rooms by simply placing the items beside your waste receptacle.

Bottles, cans and plastic containers should be rinsed, and papers should be folded to A4 (standard paper) size and stacked. If you have any doubts as to what is and isn't recyclable, please leave it beside the waste receptacle anyway and we can determine this for you.

WASTE

In addition to the recycling options made available to you, there are other ways to assist us in reducing waste.

You can view your account on the TV screen prior to checking out eliminating the need to have an extra copy printed out at reception prior to paying. And we can arrange a copy of your account to be emailed to you.

For any shopping you may be doing, there is a NZ souvenir cloth shopping bag available for purchase through the mini-bar in your room.

ENERGY CONSUMPTION

In order to conserve energy and water and reduce the level of detergents and chemicals used and discharged into the environment, we invite you to make a choice on our current practices.

It is our policy to change your bed and toweling linen every day of your stay, but you have a choice. So to make it easy for you, your bed linen will be changed only when the conservation card in your room is placed on the bed, and your toweling only if it is placed in your bathtub or shower.

We have placed energy saving light bulbs where possible in your room, they can sometimes take time to brighten when you turn them on.

The lighting in your room should be turned off when not required or when exiting. Air-conditioning should likewise be turned off or on low when exiting the room. Please be aware that it may take sometime to bring your room back to temperature if it has been turned off.