



Sparsholt College

PRE-DEPARTURE PRESENTATION



Shamwari

Group Conservation Expedition



GLOBAL reach. **ADVENTURE** for all. **PROJECTS** to inspire.



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ABOUT SHAMWARI GAME RESERVE

Project overview and
location

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Shamwari Game Reserve - Location

- South Africa a world leader in conservation
- Privately owned Shamwari Game Reserve
- Malaria free Eastern Cape

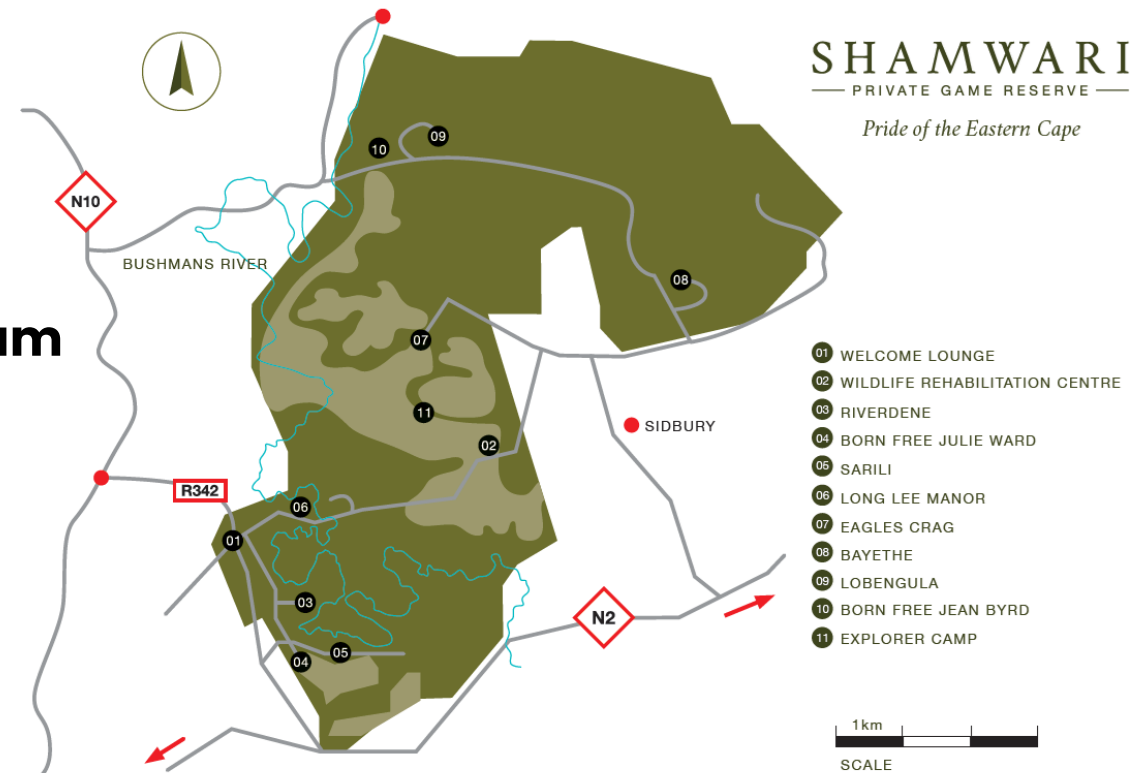


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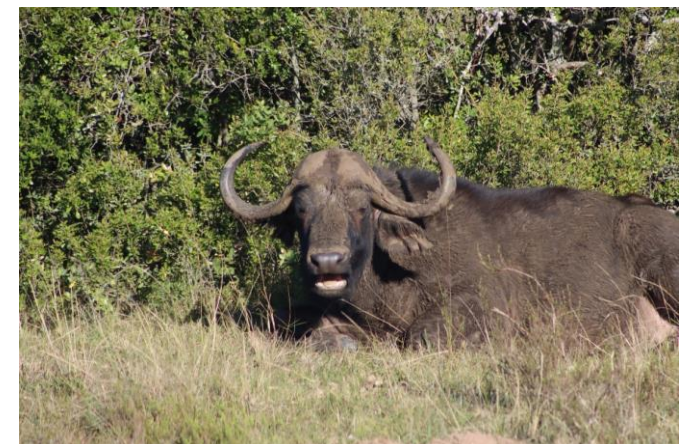
- **24,000 Hectare Privately Owned Game Reserve**
- **A pioneer in conservation in Southern Africa**
- **Award winning conservation team including:**
 - Wildlife Vets
 - Ecologists
 - Anti Poaching
- **Home to Born Free Foundation**
- **Lodge dedicated for our groups**



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Home to the BIG 5



ANY QUESTIONS?

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Home to over 60 Species of Mammal



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ABOUT THE PROJECT

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Your Conservation Projects

- **General Reserve Maintenance**
- **Alien Plant Eradication / Land Management**
- **Spatial Distribution/habitat use of species**
- **Habitat and Prey Selection of Lions**
- **Elephant Monitoring & Study**
- **Visit the Born Free Foundation**
- **General Game Drives and Walks**
- **Night Drives**
- **Field Skills and Survival Training**
- **Community Development**





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LIFESTYLE & ACCOMMODATION

Life in the African Bush

Shamwari

You will be accommodated in a purpose built lodge located on the border of the reserve. Rooms are shared with ensuite showers and toilet.

There is a communal area with lounge, bar and dining area.

The lodge grounds offer a swimming pool, garden and boma; enjoy sitting around the fire in the evening.

Internet access is available although speeds are not as good as the UK



ACCOMMODATION & LIFESTYLE

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Shamwari

Three meals are provided daily. Meals will either be taken at the accommodation or as a pre-packed serving, depending on planned or as a result of unscheduled activities.

There is a laundry service once a week.

Most evenings and weekends are spent at leisure. There is the opportunity to experience additional activities during the weekends and visit attractions nearby or you can just relax at the reserve and enjoy the sights and sounds of Africa.





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WEEKEND EXCURSIONS

Your free time on project

1 – Day Sandboarding & Beach BBQ (ECW04)

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Visit some of the most pristine coastline that South Africa has to offer and experience the thrill of sandboarding through the dunes of the Wild Coast. After the kayak is over, we will settle down to a beach BBQ in front of the crashing waves and beautiful views before the excitement of sandboarding

Itinerary

08:00 – Pick up at Shamwari

10:00 – Kayak paddle

12:00 – Beach BBQ Lunch

13:00 – Sandboarding

17:00 – Arrive at Shamwari

Included

Professional guide

Comfortable 14 – 22 seater vehicle with trailer

Sandboard and Kayak rentals

Lunch

Transfers to/from accommodation

Excluded

Curios, tips and extra activities



1 – Day Port Elizabeth Visit (ECW05)

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Visit one of the most popular seaport cities in the Eastern Cape, officially renamed Gqberha (Xhosa). Take a stroll along the beachfront and browse the vibrant market stalls. Tour at the Coastal Sea Bird Centre. Lunch will be arranged at a popular beachfront restaurant (Own account).

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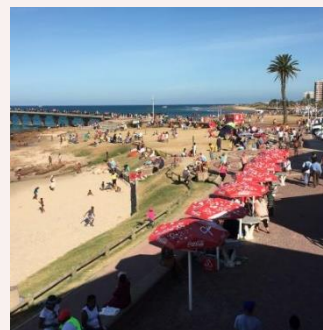
- 08:00 – Pick up at Shamwari
- 09:30 – Boardwalk & Beachfront Markets
- 11:00 – SANCOBB Tour
- 12:00 – Lunch at Barneys (O/A)
- 13:00 – Hobie Beach
- 17:00 – Arrive at Shamwari

Included

- Professional guide
- Comfortable 14 – 22 seater vehicle with trailer
- SANCOBB Coastal Sea Bird Centre Visit
- Transfers to/from accommodation

Excluded

- Curios, tips and extra activities
- Lunch





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PRE DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Travel details, kit lists and Q&A

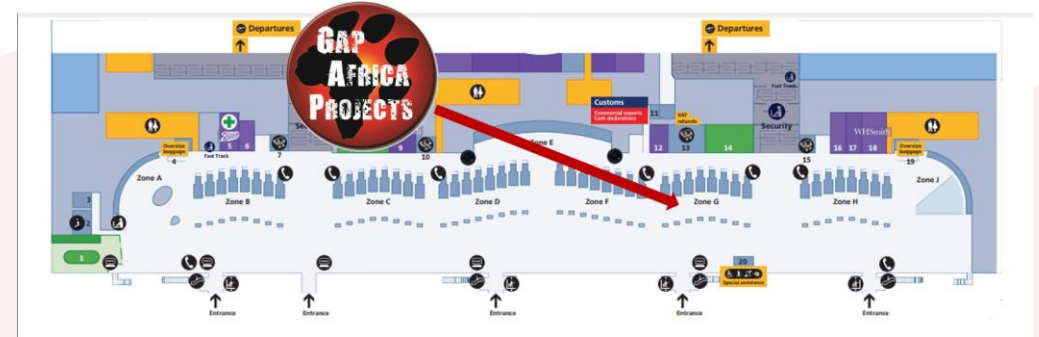
FLIGHT INFORMATION

AFRICA

Departure from the United Kingdom | Arrival to South Africa

London Heathrow Airport – Terminal 5

Group meeting point Zone G @ 15:25



Flight No	Flight Date	Dept.	Dept. Time	Arr.	Arr. Time
BA57	31/03/24	London Heathrow (LHR)	21:25	Johannesburg (JNB)	09:15 + 1 Day

Johannesburg OR Tambo

Pass through immigration | Collect baggage | Clear customs
Connection Terminal A – Terminal B. GAP Team member to assist

Flight No	Flight Date	Dept.	Dept. Time	Arr.	Arr. Time
FA373	01/04/24	Johannesburg (JNB)	13:15	Port Elizabeth (PLZ)	15:00 + 1 Day

Port Elizabeth

Meet and Greet at PLZ Arrivals Hall
Transfer to Shamwari Game Reserve & supermarket stop off

FLIGHT INFORMATION

AFRICA

Departure from South Africa | Arrival to the United Kingdom

Check-in at FlySafair desk Port Elizabeth Airport @ 12:30

Flight No	Flight Date	Dept.	Dept. Time	Arr.	Arr. Time
FA365	14/04/24	Port Elizabeth (PLZ)	14:10	Johannesburg (JNB)	15:55

Connect from Terminal B arrivals to Terminal A departures – Baggage to be collected and re-checked

Flight No	Flight Date	Dept.	Dept. Time	Arr.	Arr. Time
BA56	14/04/24	Johannesburg (JNB)	19:20	London Heathrow (LHR)	05:30 + 1 Day

Checked Baggage Allowance: 20KG*

Hand Baggage Allowance: 8KG 56cm x 45cm x 25cm



TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

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Travel Documents

Issued 18/03/2024

Emailed to your personal and/or college email address

Print and take copies

Boarding passes issued at airport

Passports!

Your e-ticket

Travelport ViewTrip™
This Electronic Ticket Receipt has been brought to you by Travelport ViewTrip and your travel provider. For the latest information on your travel plans, view your itinerary at [ViewaTrip.com](#).

Reservation Number: RS3RGS [View Electronic Ticket Receipt](#)

Traveler		
Passenger Name	Billing Address	Delivery Address
DEBLEY, GEORGE MR	TRAVEL COUNSELLORS PHENIX TRAVEL ROSE CHURCHGATE BOLTON PIBL1 1TN	No Address On Record

Agency Information
TRAVEL COUNSELLORS LTD
Travel House
UNITED KINGDOM
Agency Phone: 01204 636 094 TRAVEL COUNSELLORS PLC PHENIX FLTS
Agency IATA Number: 91277992

e-Ticket Receipt - 93294169922 - VS 601 - 28 Jun 2019 - LHR Today's Date: 29 May 2019
Ticket Number - 93294169922 Galileo Reservation Number: RS3RGS Ticket Issue Date: 27 May 2019

Flight Information			
28 Jun 2019			
Virgin Atlantic Airways Ltd. (VS) 801 Economy (C)	Virgin Atlantic Airways Ltd. Confirmation Number: BH0234		
Depart: Heathrow (LHR) - Terminal 3	9:05 PM	Fare Basis:	BT
London		Not Valid Before:	28 Jun
Arrive: Johannesburg (JNB) - Terminal A	9:59 AM	Not Valid After:	28 Jun
	29 Jun		2019

Applies to: LHR - JNB
Baggage Allowance: 1 Piece Plan

This is an important document. Make sure that you take it with you when you travel.

ATOL Certificate

This confirms that your money is protected by the ATOL scheme and that you can get home if your travel company collapses.

This certificate sets out how the ATOL scheme will protect the people named on it for the parts of their trip listed below.

Who is protected?	Number of passengers:
Mr Daniel Alexander	1

What is protected?
Package valid to South Africa to: 02 Sep 2019
28 Jun-13 00:00 London Heathrow (LHR), Johannesburg (JNB); 21 00:00:00 - 1 Day
20 Sep-13 00:00 Johannesburg (JNB), Port Elizabeth (PEL); 14 10:00
11 Sep-18 04:24 Port Elizabeth (PEL), Johannesburg (JNB); 13 20:00
11 Sep-19 00:00 Johannesburg (JNB), London Heathrow (LHR); 20 00:00:00 - 1 Day

You can find more detailed information on your booking, including price, on the confirmation you will receive from Gap Africa Projects Limited

Who is protecting your trip?
Gap Africa Projects Limited ATOL Number: 10890 Booking Ref: 4007

Your protection
You are protected from when you were given this certificate to the end of your trip. If Gap Africa Projects Limited stops trading, the passengers named above will either:

- 1 complete their trip and return to the UK; or
- 2 receive a refund.

Your protection depends on the terms of the ATOL scheme (available at [www.atol.org.uk](#)).

If Gap Africa Projects Limited stops trading, you must follow the instructions at [www.atol.org.uk](#) (where there will be details of arrangements to bring people back to the UK, and information on how people can claim their money back) or you can call (+44) 20 7463 0350.

Unique reference number:	Date of issue:	ATOL Certificate issuer:	ATOL number:	Package title:
4007	18/10/2014	Gap Africa Projects Limited	10890	

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Life changing conservation and community projects that make a difference.

16/07/2017	Check in for your flight at the South African Airways Check in Desk, London Heathrow, terminal 2	18:00
	Depart London Heathrow	21:00
17/07/2017	Arrive Johannesburg International Airport, Terminal A	09:00

Upon arrival please clear immigration and collect your baggage to pass through Customs.

A member of the Gap Africa Projects ground team will meet you at International Arrivals Hall and take you through to Domestic Departures, terminal B. Please look out for our Meet and Great Board.

Drop off Baggage at SAA bag drop - Domestic Terminal B

Depart Johannesburg	10:45
Arrive Port Elizabeth Airport	12:20

Upon arrival you will be met by a representative from Blunden Tours and transferred to **Shamwari Game Reserve**

Shamwari Group Conservation Experience x 14 DAYS

31/07/2017	Today is the final day of your placement and you will be transferred to Port Elizabeth Airport	11:00
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Check in for your flight at the SAA Check in Desk

Depart Port Elizabeth	14:35
Arrive Johannesburg Terminal B	16:10

Upon arrival please make your way to Terminal A International Departures

Depart Johannesburg	18:55
Arrive London Heathrow, terminal 2	06:25

Important Travel Advice

Under 18 Visa Requirements.
If you are aged under 18, whether travelling alone or within a group you must adhere to the regulations set for minors entering the republic of South Africa. <http://www.dfa.gov.za/index.php/cvsc-services/travelling-with-children>

Names and spellings.
It is crucial that they match what is printed on your passport. If there is a mistake this will need to be changed, otherwise you may be refused travel.

TRIP DOCUMENTS

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Group Web Page & Travel Documents



Your e-ticket

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Reservation Number: R33RGS [View Electronic Ticket Receipt](#)

Traveler	Billing Address	Delivery Address
SEBELY, OSCORDEMAN	TRAVEL COUNSELLORS PHENIX	160 ADDRESS ON HAZARD
	TRAVEL HSE	
	CHURCHDATE	
	BOLTON	
	PMB L 174	

Agency Information
TRAVEL COUNSELLORS LTD
Travel House
Bullion L1 174
UNITED KINGDOM
Agency Phone: 01204 536 084 TRAVEL COUNSELLORS PLC PHENIX FLT5
Agency IATA Number: 91077992

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	London		Not Valid Before: 28 Jun
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Applies to LHR...JNB
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28 May-01 Jun 2019 London-Heathrow (LHR) to Johannesburg (JNB) + 1 Day
01 Jun-02 Jun 2019 Johannesburg (JNB) to London-Heathrow (LHR) + 1 Day
11 Jun-12 Jun 2019 London-Heathrow (LHR) to Johannesburg (JNB) + 1 Day
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	Depart Port Elizabeth	14:35
	Arrive Johannesburg Terminal B	16:50
	Upon arrival please make your way to Terminal A International Departures	
	Depart Johannesburg	04:34
	Arrive London Heathrow, Terminal 2	06:25



Shamwari Group Expedition

Welcome to the Sparsholt College group page.

This is the groups personalised web page for your forthcoming trip to South Africa. All of your general documentation relevant to the trip is available to download from here at your own convenience. The details and documents will be updated as your booking progresses.

Please note that your E-ticket documents, updated invoices and anything else specific to you, will be emailed to you directly and will not appear on this page.

Trip Documents

- [Project Information Pack - Click to Download](#)
- [Project Presentation PDF - Click to Download](#)
- [Project Pre-Departure Pack - Click to Download](#)
- [PDF Pre Departure Presentation - Coming Soon](#)
- [Travel Plan - Click to Download](#)
- [Group ATOL Certificate - Click to Download](#)

Countdown to your Global Adventure!

41 Days	11 Hours	14 Minutes	39 Seconds
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Suggested kit list

- Short and long sleeve T shirts *
- Long work trousers and shorts *
(Or work trousers with zip-off longs)
- Hiking Boots/comfortable walking shoes to work in every day
- Rain jacket
- Sweatshirt/Fleece (Winter months pack plenty)
- Padded parka jacket/windbreaker - warm
(it can get very cold on an open vehicle - even on a summer evening)
- Daypack rucksack
- Socks
- Warm Hat (winter only) /Hat for sun protection (all year round)
- Working gloves
- Gloves for warmth (winter only)
- Water bottle (filtered rainwater provided at the lodge)

* All work clothes should be neutral or earth tones for working in the bush. No skimpy or bright coloured clothing to be worn.

- Changes of casual clothes for evenings
- Underwear
- Sandals / comfy shoes to wear after work hours
- Beach towel
- Swimming costume
- Toiletries
- Tick / insect repellent

Other useful items:

- Binoculars
- Good torch
- Camera
- Spare batteries
- Sunglasses
- Personal medical items/First Aid kit
- Cards/music
- Sunscreen
- Mammal/bird book
- Notebook/diary and pen

Laundry 1 x Per Week

Plug Adaptors

Local Medical Facilities

Climate

Spending Money £50 - £100

Currency ZAR

Local Charges -

Shop: Snacks | Soft Drinks | Caps | Fleecees | Other

Climate

Summer (November – April)

Expect intense heat in the daytime with occasional thunderstorms in the afternoon. Vegetation is dense and lush due to the summer rains and the bush teems with new born animals. A very good time for bird watching.

Autumn

At the end of the summer rains the water holes are full, temperatures begin to drop at night and the vegetations starts to change colour

Winter (May – October)

During winter the temperatures are pleasant during the day but cold at night. Visibility in the bush is very good making winter and excellent time for game viewing.

Spring

The bush changes to lively green vegetation and temperatures are pleasant

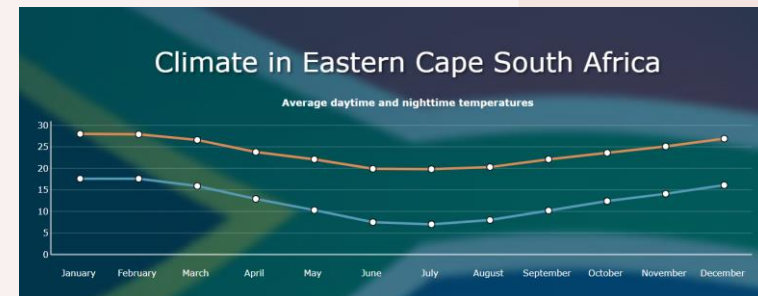
Currency, Credit Cards, Phones & Internet

The currency for South Africa is the South African Rand (ZAR). Foreign exchange may be arranged at the airport or in major centres. It is not recommended that travellers carry large sums of cash, keep a reasonable amount on hand and primarily use credit cards.

All major credit cards are widely accepted.

Mobile phone coverage is good at the accommodation, although there may be some areas on the reserve where there isn't any coverage.

WiFi is provided free of charge at the accommodation. Internet speeds are not up to international urban standards but are effective for communication.



Health Risks

Immunisation:

When entering South Africa, no international immunisation is required, however, a yellow fever vaccination certificate is required from travellers if they enter South Africa within 6 days of leaving an infected country.

Our advice: Visit your local (travel) doctor to get up-to-date information about requirements when travelling.

DTP inoculation (diphtheria, tetanus and polio) is essential.

Please visit the following web page for advice from the UK Foreign Office:

<https://travelhealthpro.org.uk/country/201/south-africa>

Drinking Water:

Drinking water is available at the project (filtered rainwater); always make sure you keep hydrated.

HIV/Aids in South Africa:

As in other countries, HIV/Aids is a serious concern in South Africa and one you must be aware of. You should always be careful when dealing with an injured person to avoid the risk of infection. Always take necessary precautions and avoid sexual contact.

Sun:

South Africa has a warm sunny climate, you should wear sunscreen and a hat whenever you are out of doors during the day, particularly between 10am and 4 pm – regardless of whether there is cloud cover or not. Whatever your complexion you can still get sunburned if you are from a cooler climate. Sunglasses are also recommended as the glare of the African sun can be very strong.

Malaria:

The Eastern Cape Province is malaria and bilharzia free.

<http://www.sa-venues.com/malaria-risk-areas.htm>

Insurance

Personal travel insurance is compulsory. Travel insurance does not need to be expensive and there are many good deals available for backpackers etc. Always be sure to check the insurance details to make sure you are covered for Covid 19, theft, loss, illness and injury. Check to see if your medical benefits are paid out as they incur or on your return home.

<https://www.true traveller.com/?tag=4480>

Loadshedding

Scheduled blackouts/power cuts – the team will inform you when the power will be off, normally for 2-4h at a time.

Visa Requirements

A visa is not required for British Passport holders, all other nationalities should check the requirements via the website below, if required a visa can be obtained from the South African High Commission.

<http://www.dha.gov.za/index.php/immigration-services/exempt-countries>

Passport Requirements

It can take up to 6 weeks to obtain a passport – remember to start this process in plenty of time.

Your passport needs to be valid for at least 30 days beyond your intended stay and have at least two blank pages.

Stay safe overseas – KBYG

The better prepared you are when you travel abroad the safer you will be. The Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office offers 'Know Before You Go' travel advice, including simple precautions you can take before and during your trip.

To find out more, check out their website:

<https://www.gov.uk/browse/abroad/travel-abroad>

Community GAP Donation Bags

Stationary: Calculators, books, pens, crayons, coloring pencils, reading books, coloring books, erasers, sharpeners, play dough, arts and crafts items. Electronic equipment, such as second hand laptops are also welcomed.

Second-hand clothing: School clothes and shoes, and clothing and shoes for all ages.

Sports equipment: Soccer, rugby and netball second-hand clothing and equipment, balls, whistles, training books, balls, shoes.

Sanitary and bathroom products: Sanitary towels, toothbrushes and toothpaste, wash cloths, bars of soap.

Kitchen utensils: porridge bowls and spoons for babies or for adults (elderly soup kitchens), any second-hand utensils.

Donate your clothes: leave some of your clothes which can be sold or donated for community income. Space for souvenirs.



Trip Clothing

Online shop available
for trip clothing:

BCA Trip Hoodie

GAP Africa Polo Shirts

GAP Africa Caps

GAP Africa Beenie

GAP Africa 500ml Bottle





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