



PRE-DEPARTURE INFORMATION PACK

Askham Bryan College

Waterberg Wildlife & Veterinary Course

Entabeni



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TRIP OVERVIEW

AFRICA

Askham Bryan College – Booking Reference 4454

Trip Dates:

9th June – 23rd June 2024

Flights:

Flight No	Flight Date	Dept.	Dept. Time	Arr.	Arr. Time
BA1335	09/06/2024	Newcastle (NCL)	16:30	London Heathrow (LHR)	17:45
BA57	09/06/2024	London Heathrow (LHR)	21:25	Johannesburg (JNB)	09:15 + 1 Day
BA56	22/06/2024	Johannesburg (JNB)	19:20	London Heathrow (LHR)	05:30 + 1 Day
BA1326	23/06/2024	London Heathrow (LHR)	08:15	Newcastle (NCL)	09:25

***Always check the flight timings on your final documents**

Baggage Allowance – 1 piece checked baggage @ 23kgs, 1 piece hand baggage max dimensions 56x45x25 cms

Project:

Entabeni Safari Conservancy (Vet Nurse Group)

Trip Cost:

£2295.00 per person

£300.00 deposit

£997.50 Instalment due 19/02/2024

£997.50 Balance due 15/04/2024

Arrival at Johannesburg International Airport (OR Tambo)

On arrival at Johannesburg International Airport after clearing immigration, collect your bags, clear customs and make your way to the arrivals hall.

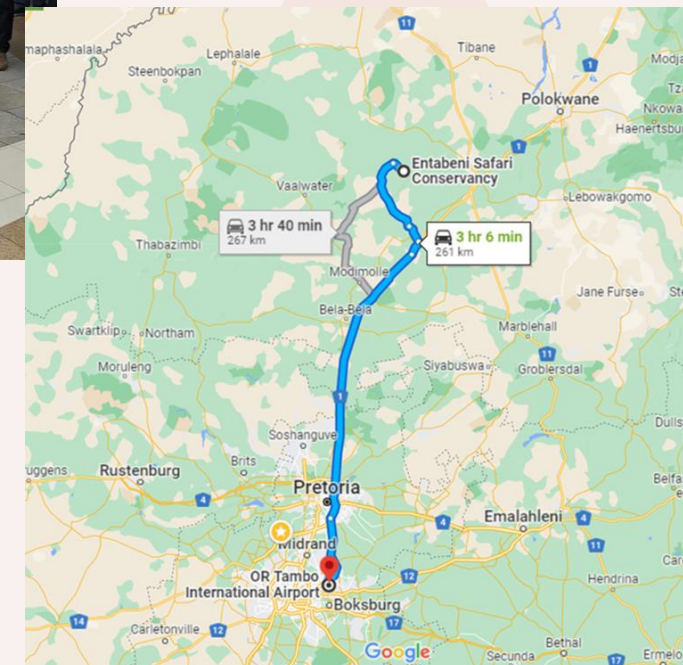
The GAP Africa representative will be there to meet you and assist you to your transport with Shuttle King, who will be waiting at the statue and will be transferring you to Entabeni Safari Conservancy, a drive of approximately 3.5 hours

The driver will stop at a shop on the way for you to get snacks, drinks etc.

If for any reason you are unable to locate the representative, please call Shuttle King:

Terri on : + 27 71 242 8838

Or Carmen: +27 79 313 2276



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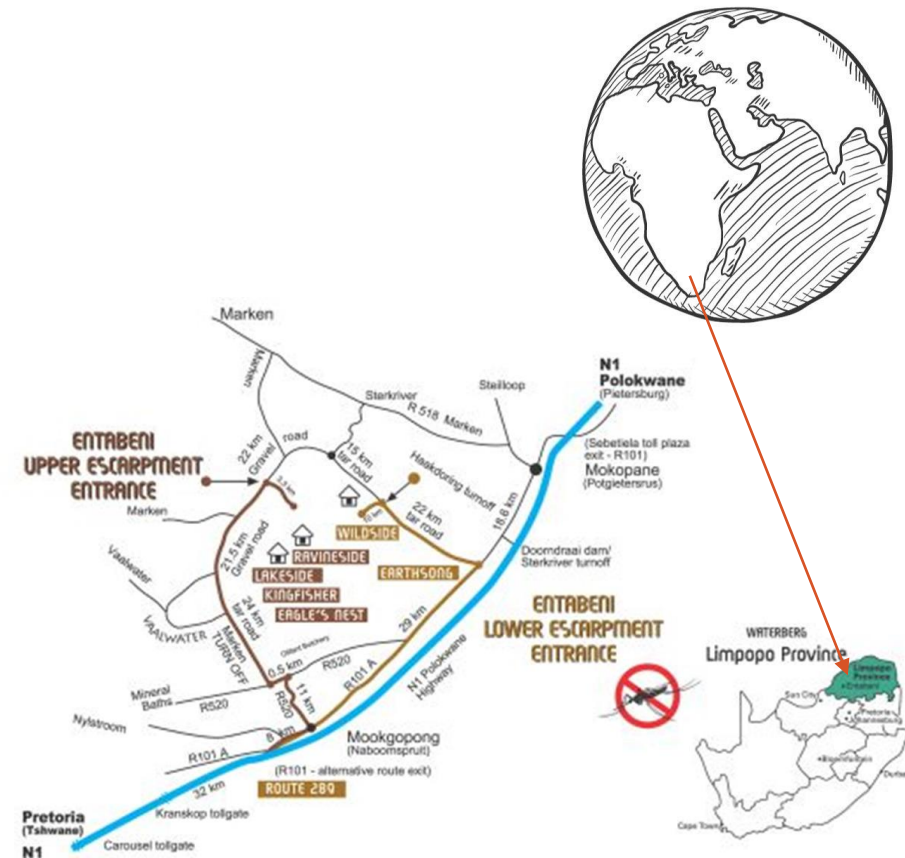
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Climate

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 newborn 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 and early morning. 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 at shops in large towns, the reserve does have credit card facilities.

Mobile phone reception is available at the accommodation, although there are some areas on the reserve where there isn't any coverage. It is advised to buy a Vodacom sim/data card at the airport on arrival.

Internet access via Wi-Fi is not available.

Tipping

Whilst there is no obligation, it is a nice gesture to show your appreciation for the rangers and housekeeping staff by leaving a small tip/donation for the staff at the reserve when you leave; any amount is always appreciated.

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>

Malaria:

The Waterberg area of the Limpopo Province where Entabeni is located is malaria free.

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

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 10 am 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.

Drinking Water:

Drinking water is available at the project; always make sure you keep hydrated.

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 occur or on your return home.

Please follow this link to our preferred insurer:

<https://www.truetraveller.com/backpackers-insurance?tag=4480>

You should select 'Adventure Pack' as this will cover you for the type of activities you will undertake during your trip



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>

Passport Requirements

It can take many 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 exit date and have at least two blank pages. You can check requirements by using the IATA Travel Centre site www.iatatravelcentre.com

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>

Entabeni Student Bush Camp

The student camp is within the reserve on the Upper Escarpment, at the base of the iconic Entabeni mountain.

It consists of modern shared accommodation units in a comfortable communal setting.

The one-bedroom ensuite units have a lounge/study area. Two to three students are accommodated per bedroom unit.

There is a communal washing machine for students to do their laundry, as well as an outdoor and indoor communal living space for relaxation.

Two sets of linen and towels are provided per student for the entire period of stay.

All meals are included; there is a large communal kitchen where food will be prepared in groups.

Some days lunch will be taken at camp, other days lunch will be brought into the field as a picnic.

Evenings are spent at leisure around the campfire.

Sunday will be an off day to 'chill' in camp, by the pool or do extra activities (next page).



Sunday additional activities (own cost)

Horseback Safari Max 4 people at a time

- Horse Riding (1 hour) R590 pp
- Horse Riding (2 Hours) R1090 pp
- Sunset Cruise (Includes finger foods & softdrinks) R690 pp
- Cultural Foundation Drumming session R600 pp
- (Guided Bush Walk (Non Predator) R300 pp
- (Guided Bush Walk (Predator) R800 pp

- Bicycle Rental - 4 hours at Clubhouse R120 pp
- Spa massages between R320 – R830 pp
- Marimba Band and Pedi Dancers (Group activity enquire for rates)
- Game Drive and Boat Cruise with Lunch at Lakeside R890 pp
- Picnic Lunch at Yellow-wood Gorge Mountain Pool R890 pp
- Stargazing R790 pp



Suggested kit list

- Short sleeve shirts
- Long work trousers and shorts (Or work trousers with zip-off longs)
- T shirts
- Hiking Boots/comfortable walking shoes to work in every day
- Rain jacket (especially during summer months)
- Sweatshirt/Fleece (Winter months pack plenty)
- Buff/neck warmer useful all year round
- Padded parka jacket/windbreaker - (it can get very cold on an open vehicle - even on a summer evening)
- Daypack rucksack
- Socks
- Hat for sun protection / Warm hat (winter only)
- Gloves for warmth (winter only)
- Changes of casual clothes for evenings
- Underwear
- Swimming Towel
- Swimming costume
- Sunscreen & Sunglasses
- Sandals/comfy shoes to wear after work hours
- Toiletries
- Tick/insect repellent
- Personal medical items & First Aid Kit
- Binoculars
- Torch/headlamp
- Water bottle

Other useful items:

- Stethoscope
- Surgical gloves
- Camera
- Powerbank
- Mammal/bird book
- Notebook/diary and pen
- Watch



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