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The background image is a composite of two photographs. On the left, a group of four people (three men and one woman) are seen from behind, standing in a field of tall, dry grass and looking towards a savanna landscape with rolling hills under a blue sky with scattered clouds. On the right, a close-up of a lioness is shown, looking towards the left with its mouth slightly open, revealing its tongue. A large, semi-transparent circular graphic is centered over the image, containing the text "Zulu Land Conservation Field Trip".

Zulu Land Conservation Field Trip

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ZULU LAND PROJECT OVERVIEW

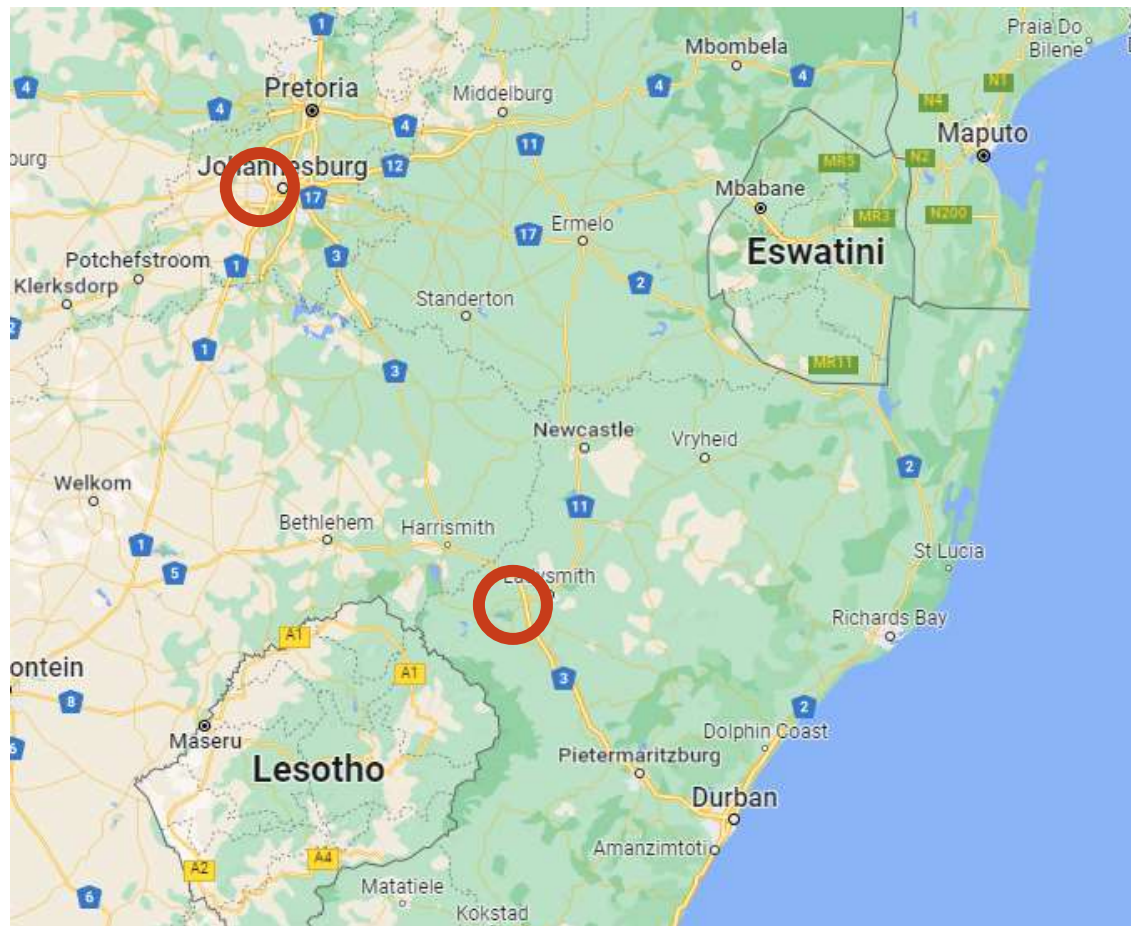
Overview and location
of the project

ABOUT THE PROJECT

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Zulu Land Conservation Project- Location

- South Africa a world leader in conservation
- Malaria free KwaZulu Natal



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Nambiti Game Reserve (20/02/2025 – 27/02/2025)

Nambiti Game Reserve is a magnificent 23,000 acres of unspoiled wilderness boasting the Big 5 and incredible biodiversity (grasslands, riverine bush, savannah and thornveld) offering unprecedented diversity of wildlife.



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Zingela River Safari (27/02/2025 – 05/03/2025)

Zingela Wildlife Reserve covers 12,500 acres of predator free, pristine African bushveld. You will have the opportunity to be involved with the research that takes place at the property;. You will also have the chance to participate in a host of activities during your stay.



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ACCOMMODATION & LIFESTYLE

Life in the African Bush

ACCOMMODATION

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Game Reserve Camps – Nambiti



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Game Reserve Camps – Zingela



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ACCOMMODATION

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Food at the project

Three meals are provided a day prepared by the kitchen staff.

Breakfasts will consist of toast and cereals; lunch may include pasta, wraps, burgers, stir fry; dinners include meat, fish and vegetables with rice, potatoes or pasta.

On weekends a braai (BBQ) is often organised.

Please advise us of any dietary requirements in advance so we can ensure that you are adequately catered for.



Sample Menu

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
Scrambled eggs, savoury beans or mince or bacon toast (Jam, PButter)	Yoghurts, muesli, cereal, fruit	Pancakes, banana, fruit	Oatmeal porridge, fruit, toast & jam	French toast (Eggy bread)
Quiche & salad	Macaroni Cheese	Soup & homemade bread	Hotdogs	Braai broodjies (tomato, cheese, onion toasties on open fire)
Nachos (vegan or mince)	Beef stew & rice	Braai (Barbeque) with salads	Chicken ala King & rice	Chickpea curry mild

We must know of any dietary requirements, allergies and intolerants at least 6 weeks before departure.



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PRE DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Travel details, kit lists and Q&A

FLIGHT INFORMATION

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Departure from the United Kingdom | Arrival to South Africa

London Heathrow – Terminal 3, Zone A

Flight No	Flight Date	Dept.	Dept. Time	Arr.	Arr. Time
VS449	19-FEB-25	London Heathrow (LHR)	22:30	Johannesburg (JNB)	11:30 + 1 Day

Johannesburg OR Tambo – Terminal A

Clear immigration & collect baggage to clear customs
Meet and Greet at JNB Arrivals Hall @ Information Desk
Transfer to Nambiti

Checked Baggage Allowance: 20KG

Hand Baggage Allowance: 8KG
not exceeding 56cm x 45cm x 25cm



FLIGHT INFORMATION

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Departure from South Africa | Arrival to the United Kingdom

Johannesburg OR Tambo – Terminal A

Check-in at the check-in desk

Flight No	Flight Date	Dept.	Dept. Time	Arr.	Arr. Time
VS450	05-MAR-25	Johannesburg (JNB)	19:30	London Heathrow (LHR)	04:50 + 1 Day

Checked Baggage Allowance: 23KG

Hand Baggage Allowance: 10KG
not exceeding 56cm x 45cm x 25cm



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TRIP DOCUMENTS

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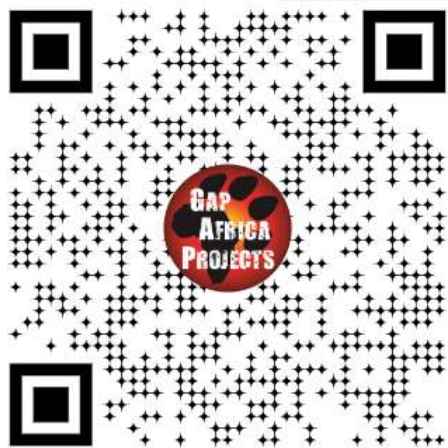
Group Web Page & Travel Documents



Student Frequently Asked Questions - Click to View



Student Guidelines and House Rules - Click to View



Gap Africa Projects - General Guidelines and House Rules:

As a participant in Gap Africa Projects, I understand and agree to adhere to the following guidelines:

1. Timeliness and Curfew: I commit to respecting designated timings, including early mornings and curfew times.
2. Behavioural Expectations: I agree to uphold the behavioural standards set by my institution, maintaining respect for others and the local culture.
3. Language and Conduct: I recognise that the use of foul language is inappropriate and will respectfully challenge any instances of it among fellow participants.
4. Smoking and Vaping: I agree not to smoke or vape inside any buildings or vehicles, utilising only designated smoking areas for such activities.
5. Alcohol Policy: I agree to comply with my institution's alcohol policy and ensure that if I choose to drink, I do so responsibly and without becoming intoxicated during any activities.
6. Substance Use: I understand and agree that the use of narcotic substances is strictly prohibited.
7. Community Interaction: I will refrain from giving money or food directly to individuals in the community, as it may perpetuate a culture of dependency.
8. Health and Dietary Needs: I will inform Gap Africa Projects of any medical conditions, mental health concerns, or dietary restrictions at least six weeks before travel.
9. Personal Supplies: I commit to bringing any preferred snacks or foods if I know I am a picky/fussy eater.
10. Insurance: I agree to obtain appropriate travel and medical insurance that covers all activities during the trip.

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Student - Frequently Asked Questions

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<https://gapafricaprojects.com/4476-haa/>

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
- 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 (in winter only) /Hat for sun protection (all year round)
- Working gloves
- Gloves for warmth (in winter only)

- 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:

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|----------------|--------------------------|
| • Binoculars | • Personal medical items |
| • Good torch | • Cards/Games |
| • Water bottle | • Sunscreen |
| • Camera | • Mammal/bird book |
| • Sunglasses | • Notebook/diary and pen |






















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

USEFUL INFORMATION

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Climate

Nambiti / Zingela

16	17	18	19	20	21	22
						
28° 15°	28° 15°	30° 16°	31° 14°	28° 14°	28° 14°	28° 14°
23	24	25	26	27	28	1
						
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30° 15°	30° 15°	30° 15°	31° 16°	30° 16°	30° 15°	29° 14°

USEFUL INFORMATION

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Currency & Credit Cards

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.

Travel Cards are very useful; preload before travelling and the best exchange rate is used.

Wise Travel Card offers up to £500.00 with no transfer fee for GAP Africa Projects travellers

<https://wise.prfl.hn/l/xZJx9gq>



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.

Phones & Internet

Mobile phone coverage is good at the accommodation, although there may be some areas on the reserve where there isn't any coverage. eSIM or purchasing a SIM card at the airport is another option

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

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Benefits of an eSIM



- Unlimited Data Plans
- Keep your WhatsApp number
- Immediate Delivery
- Uses both Vodacom and MTN the two major networks in South Africa



<https://shorturl.at/sxE29>

-5% discount applied to all plans		
5 Days Unlimited data £22.80 £24.00 GBP -5%	7 Days Unlimited data £32.30 £34.00 GBP -5%	10 Days Unlimited data £35.15 £37.00 GBP -5%
15 Days Unlimited data £37.05 £39.00 GBP -5%	20 Days Unlimited data £46.55 £49.00 GBP -5%	30 Days Unlimited data £63.65 £67.00 GBP -5%

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 project is located in a malaria free area

<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>



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

Loadshedding

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

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.

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>



COMMUNITY PROJECTS

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Community GAP Donation Bags

- Magazines
- Books for school library
- Educational posters
- Stationary
- Sports kit (football kit, boots, shirts, balls, netball bibs etc)
- Skipping ropes
- Recyclable pads for Move Africa donation



Trip Clothing

Online shop available
for trip clothing:

GAP Trip Hoodie

GAP Africa Polo Shirts

GAP Africa Caps

GAP Africa Beenie

GAP Africa 500ml Bottle

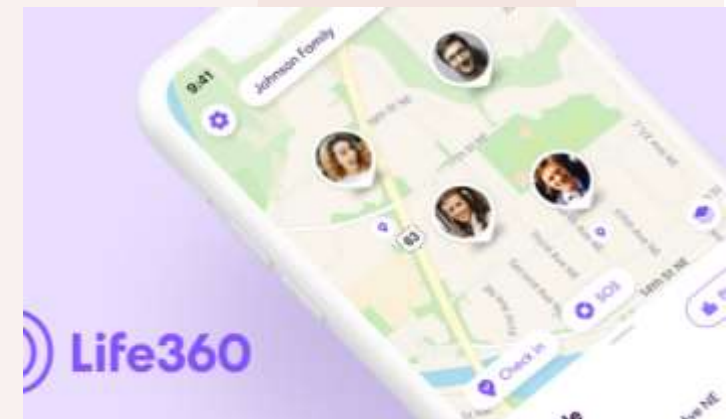


Useful App's for Next of Next of Kin

We recommend that Next of Kin also download and set up the following app, we have found this to be useful in knowing where are students whilst on the trip!

Flightradar24 – very useful for tracking flights, showing departure times, any delays and flight location in travel.

Life360 – is great for following them on their journey.





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Community Initiatives Supported

PROJECT RHINO www.projectrhinokzn.org

Conservation awareness in rural schools facilitate by Wild Connection in Nambiti area

- Purchase a Rhino soft toy (sold in camp) R350
- Sponsor a community kid on a Conservation awareness camp (GBP50)

MOVE AFRICA www.moveafricaco.com

Addressing Period Poverty in our communities through workshops, help keep a girl in school

- Donate directly into their account. detail attached (Please use GAP Africa Projects as reference)
- A menstrual cup costs GBP5

THE LEARN PROJECT www.thelearnproject.co.za

Uplifting community education through the power of books and literacy

Our aim at Wild Connection is to raise enough funds to create libraries and classroom book corners in our 10 community schools.



NAMBITI GAME RESERVE

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Use of Telemetry Tracking



NAMBITI GAME RESERVE

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Ecology Trails: Tracks, signs and spoors



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Research – Habitat and Prey Selection: Predators



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NAMBITI GAME RESERVE

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Wildlife Monitoring – Elephant Populations



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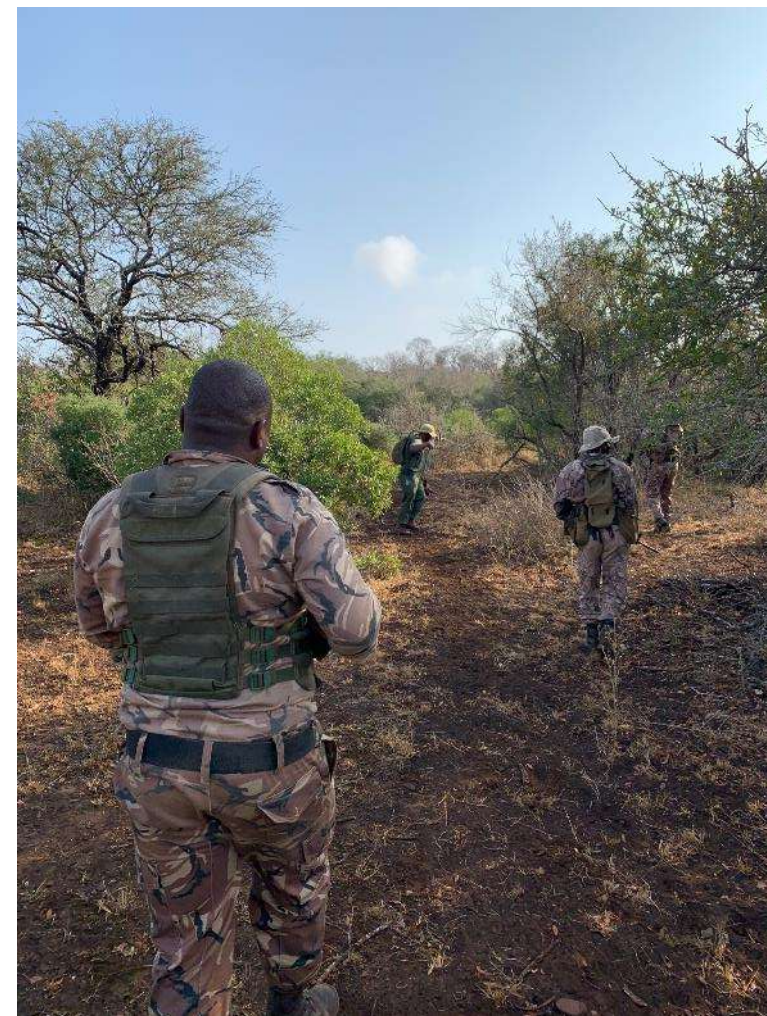
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NAMBITI GAME RESERVE

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Rhino Monitoring – Awareness and Anti-Poaching



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NAMBITI GAME RESERVE

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Night Game Drives



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NAMBITI GAME RESERVE

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Community Projects & Zulu Culture

A chance for academic groups to meet the locals living around the game reserves

A chance to meet chiefs and see traditional Zulu culture first hand

Projects: Move Africa, Jabong Hats & Rhino Art



Community Initiatives Supported

Donate money (EG it costs at least R5000 to install classroom reading corners at our smallest community school)

- Donate books, pre-loved or new children's books (no activity, sticker books etc)

JABONG HAT PROJECT www.jabonghats.co.za

Create Employment, Provide an education, Clean up Plastic

After a visit to the local creche and a community river litter clean up, visit the Gogos (grannies)

from the Matiwane community and witness how they are saving the planet one hat at a time. Hats made from recycled plastic bags are sold for R150 each and funds are used to educate their grandchildren. On this community visit, students will also be able to experience village life and buy a coke or snacks from a local "spaza" shop (bring along cash for this) but money for the purchase of hats needs to be arranged at camp the night after the visit.

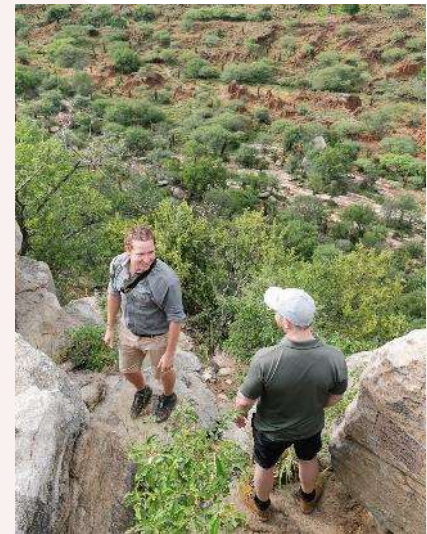
- Hat donation R150
- Donation to Creche. monetary, stationery, educational games, puzzles, books



ZINGELA WILDERNESS RESERVE

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Giraffe Migration and Research Project



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ZINGELA WILDERNESS RESERVE

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River Assessments & Eel Project



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ZINGELA WILDERNESS RESERVE

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Reptile Research and Trapping



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ZINGELA WILDERNESS RESERVE

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Educational Bush Walks – Ecology and Botany



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