



Vet Nurse Group Project Information Pack



KwaZulu-Natal Wildlife & Veterinary Project

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TRIP OVERVIEW

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Vet Nurse Group – Booking Reference 4651

Trip Dates:

20th July – 2nd August 2025

Flights:

Flight No	Flight Date	Dept.	Dept. Time	Arr.	Arr. Time
QR5942	20/07/2025	London Heathrow (LHR)	14:00	Doha (DOH)	23:00
QR1363	21/07/2025	Doha (DOH)	02:20	Johannesburg (JNB)	09:50
TBC	02/08/2025	King Shaka Int: Durban (DUR)	TBC	Johannesburg (JNB)	TBC
QR1378	02/08/2025	Johannesburg (JNB)	20.15	Doha (DOH)	05.35
QR0003	03/08/2025	Doha (DOH)	08.00	London Heathrow (LHR)	13.15

* Always check your flight timings on your final documents

Baggage Allowance: 1 piece of checked baggage @20kgs & 1 piece hand baggage @ 7kgs max dimensions 56x36x25 cms

Project:

KwaZulu-Natal Wildlife & Veterinary Project



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ABOUT THE PROJECT

Overview and location
of the project

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KwaZulu-Natal Wildlife & Veterinary Project

Our academic team and qualified rangers at the KwaZulu-Natal Conservation Research Project offer a bespoke course tailored to each institution's personal objectives and learning needs.

As part of the experience, we bring in wildlife veterinarians who spend time with the group offering hands-on learning opportunities.

We also involve the group in local community projects, where they assist in caring for livestock and domestic animals.

The project split and duration are as follows:

12 Day Itinerary

Days 1 – 4

Nambiti Big 5 Conservation Research

Days 4 – 9

Zingela Wilderness Conservation

Days 9– 12

St Lucia Coastal & Wetlands

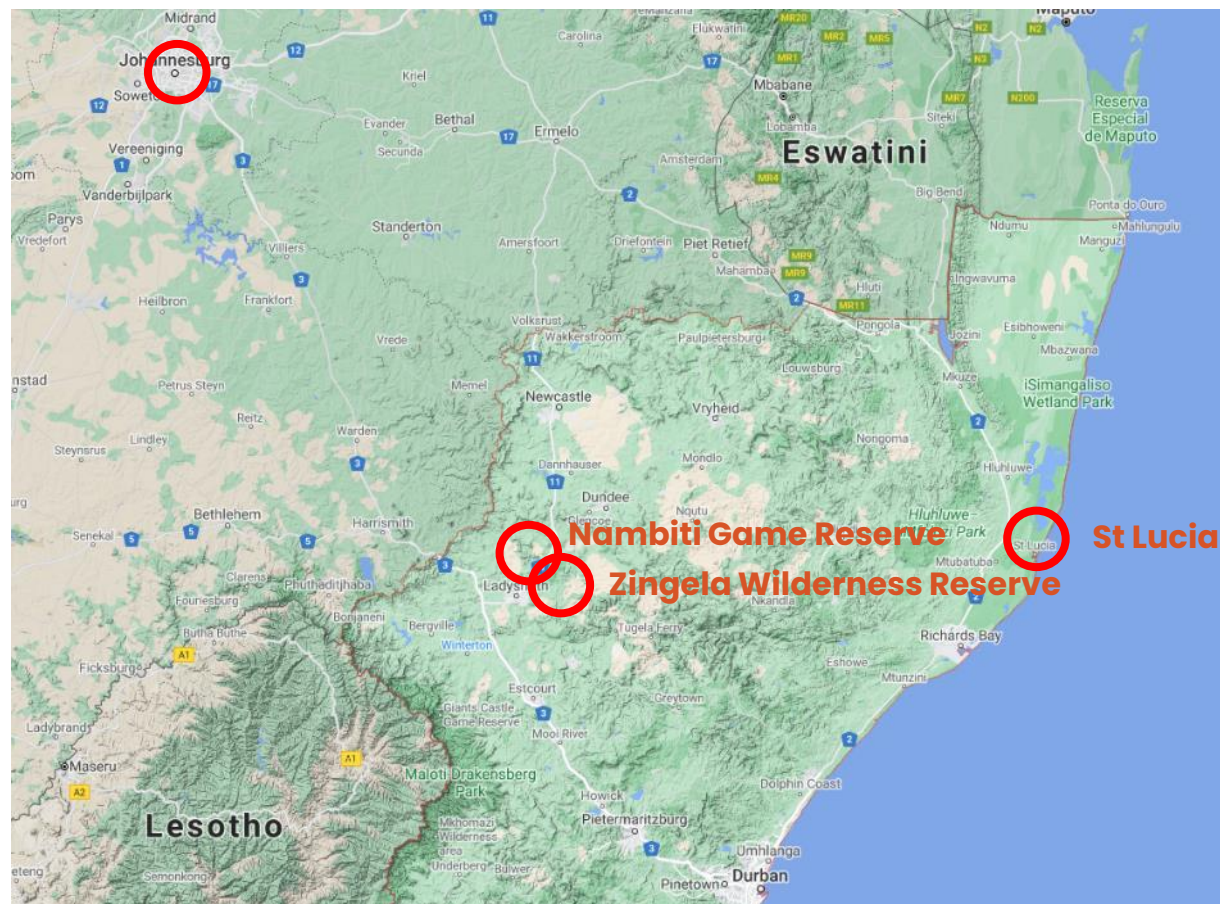


PROJECT OVERVIEW

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KwaZulu-Natal Conservation Research Project- Location

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





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4 Days at Nambiti Game Reserve

A Big Five Game Reserve

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Nambiti Game Reserve

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.



YOUR PROJECT

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Your Conservation Programme – Nambiti

Students will be taught and work alongside the field guides and conservation team. The following examples depict the day-to-day activities that may be undertaken as part of the project at Nambiti.

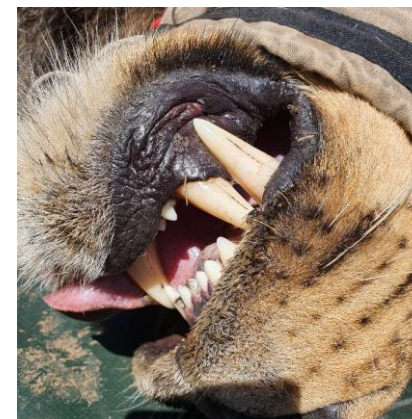
- Alien Vegetation Control & Reserve Maintenance
- Use of Telemetry Tracking
- Elephant Monitoring / Population Study
- Rhino Monitoring – Awareness
- Anti-poaching talk and fence walk
- Camera Trapping
- Night Drive
- Big Five Bush Walk
- Habitat and Prey Selection of Predators
- Tracks, Signs and Spoor
- Community Development
- Wildlife Intervention (not guaranteed)



Veterinary Interactions

As part of the programme, students will have the unique opportunity to interact with a local wildlife veterinarian who plays an integral role in the overall management of the game reserve.

The highlight of this experience will be the potential for a planned wildlife intervention, where students can observe and, where appropriate, assist in the treatment or management of an animal.





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6 Days at Zingela Nature Reserve

River Research and Adventure

ABOUT THE PROJECT

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Zingela River Safari

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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Your Conservation Programme – Zingela

Students will be taught and work alongside the field guides and scientific team. The following examples depict the day-to-day activities that may be undertaken as part of the project at Zingela Reserve.

- Community Veterinary Development
- Use of Telemetry Tracking
- Giraffe migration and Conservation Project
- Reptile pit fall traps
- Freshwater Ecology
- Mini SASS
- Fish Tagging
- Bird Ringing
- Educational Bush Walks – Ecology & Botany
- Tracks, Signs and Spoor
- Camera Trapping and data processing



Potjie Cooking Competition

A traditional South African experience, the Potjie competition involves cooking a stew in three-legged pots over an open fire. Teams of 6-8 participants will compete, starting with the challenge of lighting the fire. This activity promotes teamwork and serves as a fun icebreaker in a relaxed, festive environment. The winning dish, judged by our expert cooks, will be served for dinner, allowing everyone to enjoy the fruits of their labour.



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Animal Welfare Outreach Program

Participants will join the camp's in-house veterinarian to assist with much needed community veterinary work:

Vaccinating and Caring for Local Farmers' Goats

Working with Various Animals at the Homestead

Animal Welfare Education at Local Schools

Rabies Vaccination Clinic

Dip Tank Visit & Cattle Vaccinations

PAHC Clinic Visit

Pop-up Vaccination Clinic



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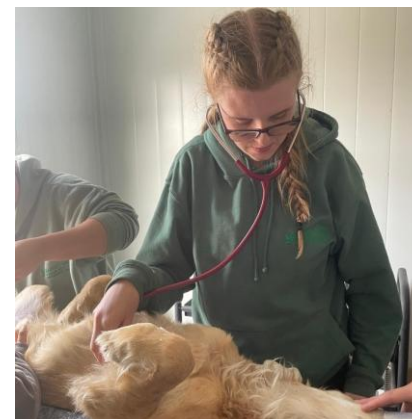
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Animal Welfare Outreach Program



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ZINGELA WILDERNESS RESERVE

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Giraffe Migration and Research Project

Population data and database for individuals

Migration and range data through unfenced territories

Diet and vegetation impact assessment

Genetic diversity



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River Assessments –

Fresh water eel project –
understanding life cycle using GPS
data

Fish tagging and release

Collecting biometric data

SASS – South African Scoring System



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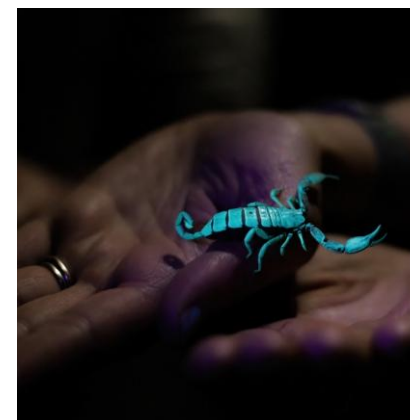
Reptile Research and Trapping

Data collection started in 2022 with annual projects planned

Species frequency

Herpetofauna succession during vegetation rehabilitation

Comparing herpetological diversity



ZINGELA WILDERNESS RESERVE

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Educational Bush Walks – Ecology and Botany



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ZINGELA WILDERNESS RESERVE

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River Safari – Rafting and Kayaking



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Abseiling and Rock Climbing



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3 Days at St Lucia

A Coastal Adventure

Your Conservation Programme – St Lucia

Whilst at St Lucia you will get the opportunity to take part in some amazing activities but also time to relax in the beautiful coastal resort of St Lucia.

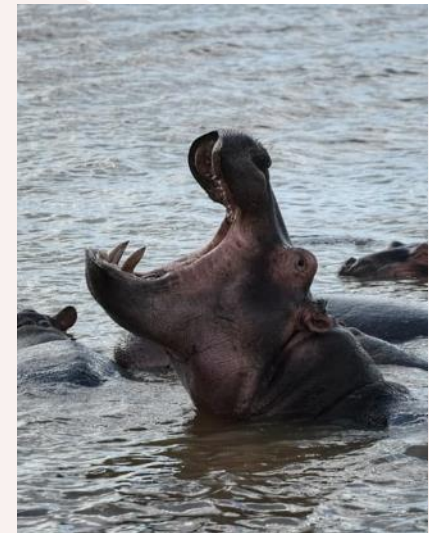
- Hippo and Crocodile tour in the Estuary
- visit to Cape Vidal Nature Reserve with a chance to snorkel in the Indian Ocean
- Tour and Talk of the Crocodile Research Centre
- Bird Identification
- Whale Watching Tour (Seasonal and additional cost)
- Snake Pharm (Additional cost)



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Estuary Hippo and Crocodile Tour



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Cape Vidal Nature Reserve and Snorkeling



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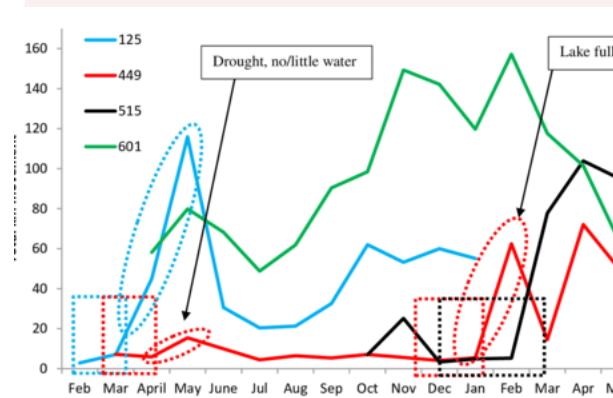
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Crocodile Research Centre



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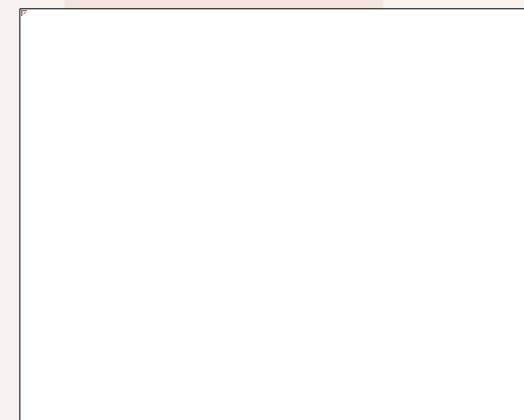
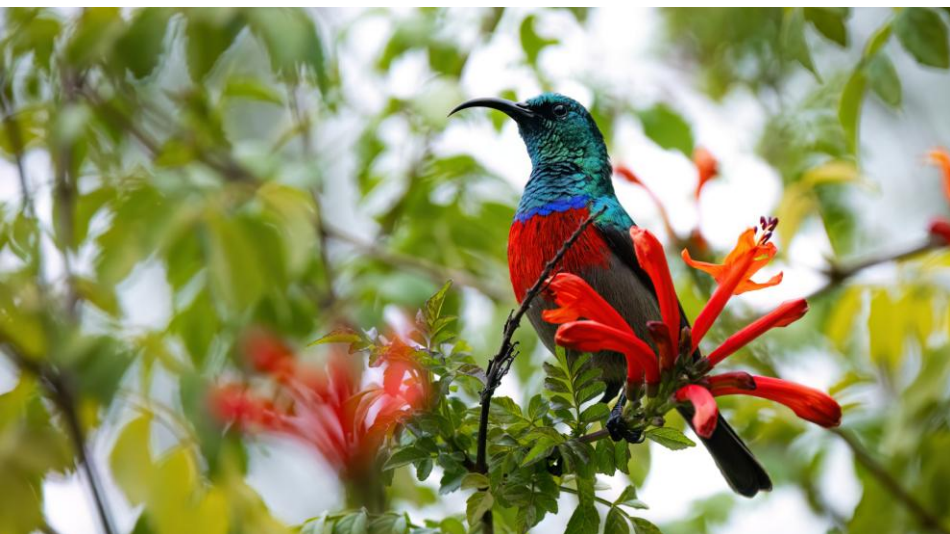
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ST LUCIA – COASTAL ADVENTURE

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Bird Tracking and Identification



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Snake Pharm (Additional Cost)

Snake Pharm is an educational and informative guided tour into the wonderful and deadly world of Reptiles

Learn how Snake Pharm is exploring natural immunity snakes have to their own venom, and how this could short cut the antivenom production process





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ACCOMMODATION & LIFESTYLE

Life in the African Bush

ACCOMMODATION

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Game Reserve Camps – Nambiti

In keeping with the Safari Adventure theme, groups are accommodated on the reserve in shared comfortable safari tents, with communal hot and cold showers and regular flushing toilets.

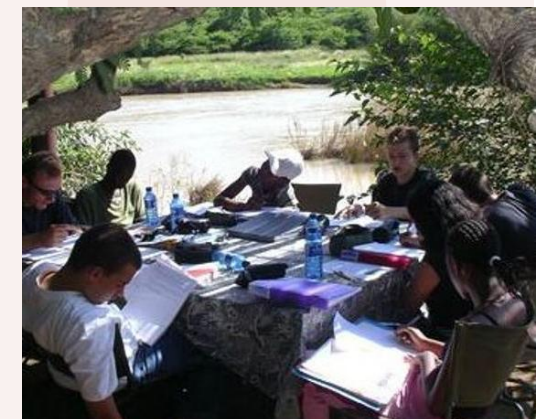
All meals are provided in a communal dining area. Students are expected to help clear up after meals.



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Game Reserve Camps – Zingela



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Food at the project

Three meals are provided a day prepared by the kitchen staff with the exception of 1 lunch and 1 dinner in St Lucia.

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.



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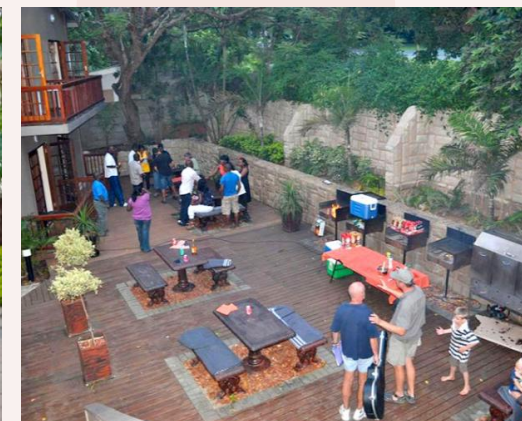
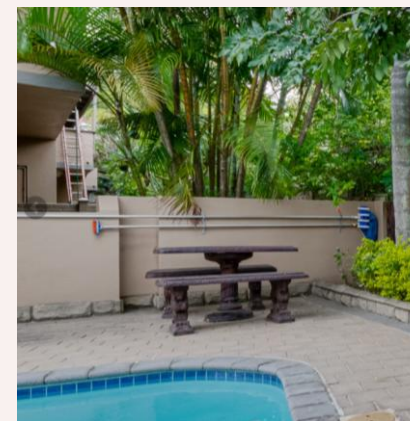
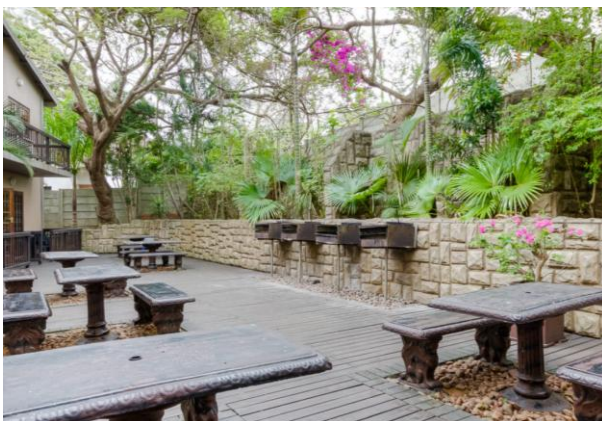
St Lucia

The guest house is located in the heart of St Lucia's Main Street and is the ideal location to explore the surrounding area.

You will be accommodated in twin rooms with ensuite facilities at St Lucia.

3 meals per day will be provided at the accommodation with the exception of 1 lunch and 1 dinner. Please remember to advise us of any dietary requirements so we can ensure you are adequately catered for.

There are no facilities for washing clothes at the accommodation but there are launderettes nearby, which are not expensive.





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USEFUL INFORMATION

Inclusions/Exclusions &
Recommended Kit List

WHAT'S INCLUDED

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What is included?

- Flights
- Transfers to/from project
- Accommodation
- Three meals per day
- All activities as part of the project
- ATOL protection
- Airport meet/greet
- 24/7 In country support

NOT Included

- Personal Travel Insurance *
- Meals on travel days – before arriving & after departing from the project.
- 1 lunch and 1 dinner in St Lucia
- Any activities not specified as part of the project
- Visa's/travel documents
- Tips

* We recommend that you take out personal travel insurance as soon as your booking is confirmed.



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 – (it can get very cold on an open vehicle – even on a summer evening)
- Daypack rucksack
- Microfibre sleeping bag liner – useful for extra warmth in winter
- Socks
- Hat for sun protection / Warm Hat (winter only)
- Working gloves
- Gloves for warmth (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
- Personal medical items and First Aid Kit
- Binoculars
- Sunscreen & Sunglasses

Other useful items:

- Good torch
- Water bottle
- Camera
- Spare batteries
- Mammal/bird book
- Notebook/diary and pen
- Lip balm

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



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