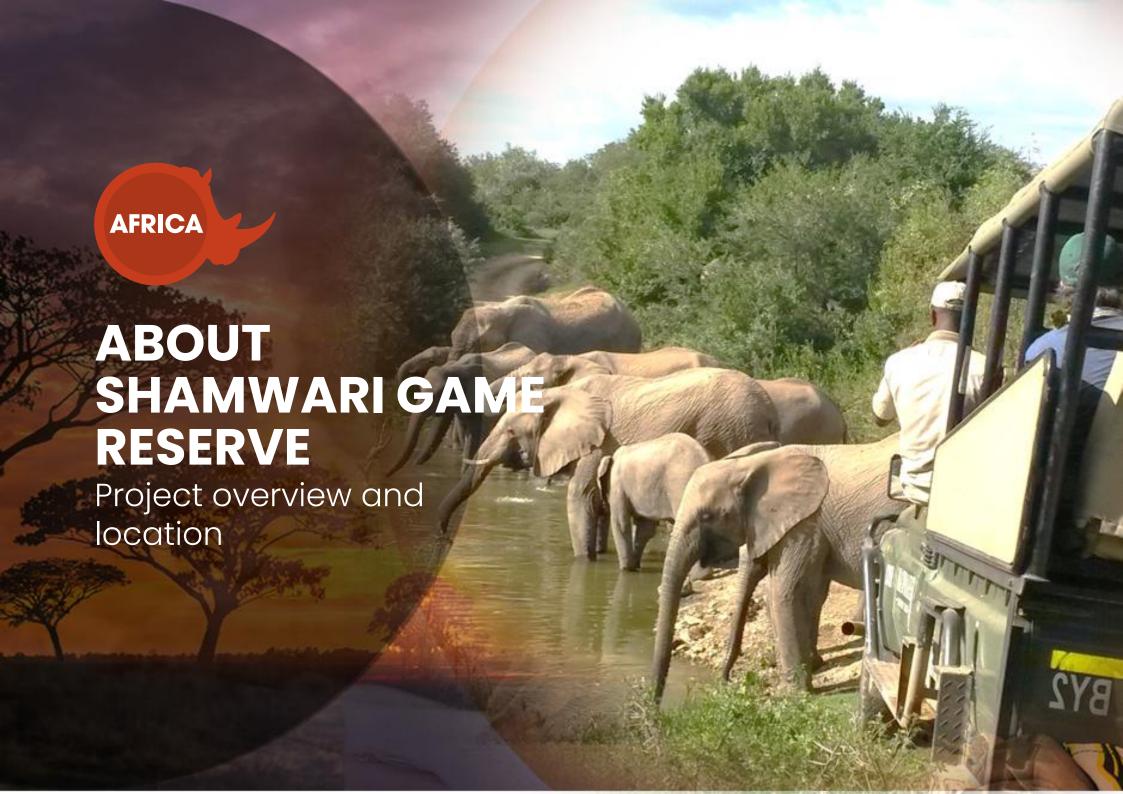


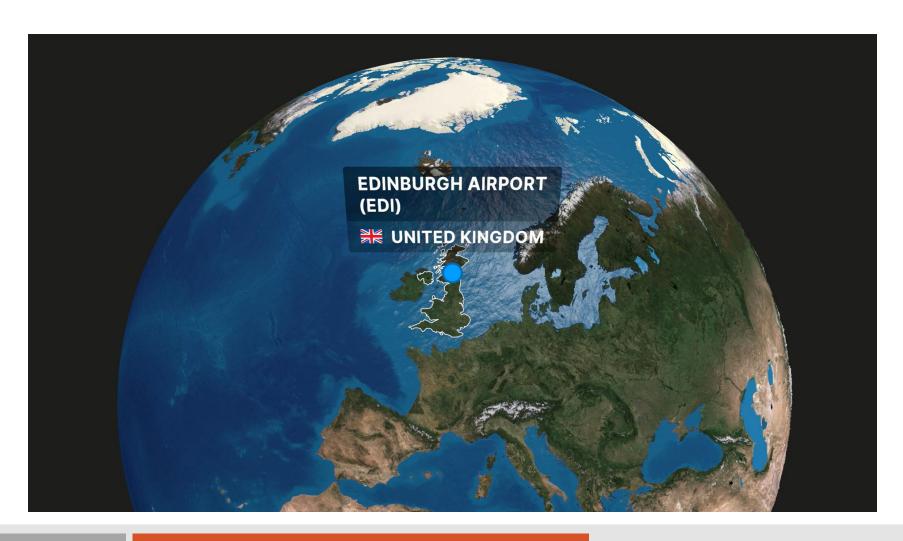
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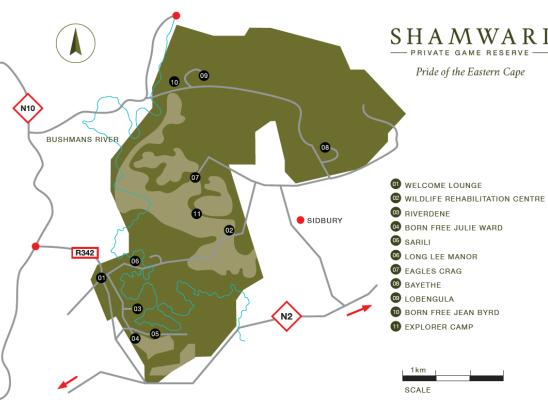


Shamwari Game Reserve - Location



Shamwari Game Reserve

- 25,000 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



Home to the BIG 5











Home to over 60 Species of Mammal

















Your Conservation Projects

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

















ACCOMMODATION & LIFESTYLE











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1 DAY - PENGUIN & PIER

AFRICA

Visit the popular Port Elizabeth (PE), officially renamed Gaeberha. Take a stroll along the beachfront and browse the vibrant market stalls. Tour at the Seabird Rescue Centre specialising in the critically endangered African penguin. Lunch will be arranged at beachfront restaurant.

Itinerary

08:00 - Pick up at project

09:30 - Boardwalk Mall, Beachfront Markets and Hobie Pier

11:00 - SANCCOB Seabird Rescue Centre Tour

12:00 - Lunch at restaurant (Own Account)

13:00 - Hobie Beach

17:00 – Arrive at project

£55.00 pp **2025 rates**







Included

Professional guide

Comfortable 14 - 22 seater vehicle with trailer

SANCCOB (Southern African Foundation for the Conservation of Coastal Birds)

Transfers to/from accommodation

Excluded

Curios, tips and extra activities Lunch





1 DAY - SUNSHINE COAST



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

Itinerary

08:00 – Pick up at project

10:00 - Kayak paddle

12:00 - Beach BBQ Lunch

13:00 – Sandboarding

17:00 – Arrive at project

£89.00 pp **2025 rates**







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 - ADDO ADVENTURE

AFRICA

Enjoy a full day exploring the densest elephant-populated area in South Africa. With over 600 African elephants you are sure to cross paths on more than one occasion plus the rest of the Big 5 and more. Afternoon option of some exciting ziplining!

Itinerary

08:00 - Pick up at project

09:00 – Arrive at Addo Elephant National Park

12:00 - Lunch (and museum)

14:00 - Visit Adrengline Addo or continue Addo safari

Zipline / Superman Zipline / Giant swing (own account)

17:00 – Arrive at project

Included

Professional guide

Comfortable 8 - 22 seater vehicles

Addo Elephant National Park

Light Lunch & Restaurant beverage

Park Entrance fees and conservation fees

Transfers to/from accommodation

Excluded

Curios, tips and extra activities

£109.00 pp 2025 rates











1DAY - GARDEN ROUTE

AFRICA

Visit the coastal hotspot of Plettenberg Bay on this action packed adventure. Experience national parks, headland hikes and tours of world-renowned cageless animal sanctuaries.

Itinerary

06:00 - Pick up at project

08:00 - Breakfast stop

10:00 - Monkey Land (free roaming, multi-species primate sanctuary)

11:00 – Birds of Eden (world's largest free flight aviary, bird sanctuary)

12:00 - Braai Lunch (BBQ)

14:00 – Tsitsikamma National Park (hiking trail and suspension bridge)

17:00 - Depart Garden Route

20:00 – Arrive at project

£175.00 pp **2025 rates**







Included

Professional guide

Comfortable 14 - 22 seater vehicle with trailer

Conservation and all entrance fees

Transfers to/from accommodation

Light lunch and bottled water/soft drink

Excluded

Curios, tips and extra activities

Dinner





Cultural heritage, myths and legends – with the renowned local, Basil Mills

Itinerary

2 hour immersive experience

An interactive show, tell and demonstration of early frontier experiences and cultures, archaeology, early weaponry and customs of Eastern Cape region.

No need to travel as this is based at Shamwari!

Included

Professional expert quide

Props

Excluded

Tips

£250 per group plus £5 per person











STAY AT BASE - SHAMWARI ACTIVITES

There is a list of indoor and outdoor activities available right at the lodge. So, if you like, stay at 'home' and participate in some or all these activities!

No charge – on site lodge activities

- Potjie competition challenge in teams cooking on open fire
- Swimming pools
- 20min hiking trail in the garden, birding in the garden
- Library, pool table, finger bord, dart board
- DSTV plus the Shamwari series and other conservation documentaries
- Football and volleyball
- Croquet





Charged activities

Spa treatments – community project

- facials
- nails
- hair braiding

Shamwari Xhosa Village Tour

• 2h tour

(rates available on request - paid directly)









Departure from the United Kingdom | Arrival to South Africa

Edinburgh Airport

Flight No	Flight Date	Dept.	Dept. Time	Arr.	Arr. Time
BA1445	08/06/2025	Edinburgh (EDI)	12.50	London Heathrow (LHR)	14.25
BA55	08/06/2025	London Heathrow (LHR)	19.05	Johannesburg (JNB)	07.15+1day

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
FA360	09/06/2025	Johannesburg (JNB)	11.10	Port Elizabeth (PLZ)	15.35

Port Elizabeth Airport

ANY QUESTIONS?

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

Baggage Allowance



1x checked Maximum weight 20kg



Hand Baggage

Maximum weight is 7Kg

Departure from South Africa | Arrival to the United Kingdom

Flight No Flight Date Dept. Dept. Time Arr. Arr. Time

FA363 21/06/2025 Port Elizabeth (PLZ) 13.50 Johannesburg (JNB) 15.35

Johannesburg OR Tambo

Collect baggage and re-check in at international departures

Flight No Flight Date Dept. Dept. Time Arr. Time

BA56 21/06/2025 Johannesburg (JNB) 19.25 London Heathrow (LHR) 05.35 + 1 Day

BA1442 22/06/2025 London Heathrow (LHR) 08.00 Edinburgh (EDI) 13.15



Travel Documents

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Emailed to your personal and/or college email address

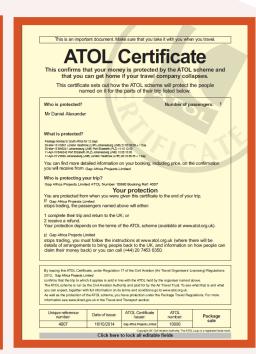
Print and take copies

Boarding passes issued at airport

Passports!









https://gapafricaprojects.com/4600-sre/



Group Web Page & Travel Documents

FAQs and House Rules

- Student Frequently Asked Questions Click to Download
- Student Guidelines and House Rules Click to Download



Student - Frequently Asked Questions Contents Pre-Departure What documents should I receive from Gap Africa?... 2. What travel documents are required? 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. incidents or issues during the trip? 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 6. Substance Use: I understand and agree that the use of narcotic substances is strictly prohibited. d I bring?.... 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 be menstruating during the trip 9. Personal Supplies: I commit to bringing any preferred snacks or foods if I know I am 10. Insurance: I agree to obtain appropriate travel and medical insurance that covers all activities during the trip. GLOBAL reach. ADVENTURE for all. PROJECTS to inspire

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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
- Walking 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
- Swimming costume
- Toiletries
- Tick / insect repellent

Other useful items:

- Binoculars
- Good torch
- Water bottle
- Camera
- Sunglasses

- Personal medical items
- Cards/Games
- Sunscreen
- Mammal/bird book
- 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

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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.prf.hn/I/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 if 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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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-recommended Jungle Deet Spray for St Lucia

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.truetraveller.com/?tag=4480



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

Load Shedding

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.

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

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/exemptcountries

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







USEFUL INFORMATION

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





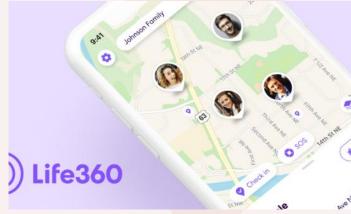
Useful Apps for Next of Next of Kin

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!

Flightrader24 – 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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