



# Sparsholt College Project Presentation



## Waterberg Equine and Wildlife Project

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# ABOUT US:

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## GAP Africa Projects

- We are a specialised travel company that offers academic trips and volunteering opportunities for groups and individual travellers, in a number of locations worldwide
- We pride ourselves on curating experiences which are personalised to your needs and requirements
- Our first project travelled in 2012
- Full ATOL Bonding
- Working with over 55 Colleges and Universities around the UK
- A small dedicated team in the UK and South Africa.





# ABOUT WATERBERG HORSE TRAILS



## Your Equine Project Explained

- A unique equine and wildlife project based in South Africa
- Live and work on a Game Reserve that specialises in Horseback safaris
- Tailor-made projects to suit your needs and interests
- Project activities include
  - Equine Welfare
  - Equine Management
  - Conservation activities
  - Community Development
- Dedicated horses, staff, and vehicles
- 10-day all-inclusive experience
- The most incredible mix of equine and wildlife experience you will ever have





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# EQUINE PROJECT OVERVIEW

Overview and location  
of the project



# ABOUT THE PROJECT

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## Waterberg Equine Project

Our team and qualified rangers at the Waterberg Equine Project offer a bespoke course to each institution dependent on their own personal objectives and learning needs.

We set out the basis of the trip, comprising of a 10- day project staying at amazing Waterberg Cottages

A full day will be planned but will vary from day to day depending on the day's task and research goals.



# ABOUT YOUR PROJECT

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## Your Project Location







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# ABOUT THE PROJECT

Our Equine and Wildlife work in more detail



# ABOUT WATERBERG HORSE TRAILS



## Waterberg Horse Trail – History, Horses and Wildlife

Waterberg Cottages is just 3 hours from Johannesburg, set on a 6000-acre game reserve, with the opportunity to ride amongst large herds of game including giraffe, zebra and wildebeest





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## Horse activities

- Outrides (game monitoring on horseback)
- Herding (bringing horses in and moving camps)
- Basic farriery and trimming of hooves
- Lunging
- Horse desensitising
- Poisonous plant removal
- Collecting wire and dangerous objects in bush
- Filling dangerous holes
- Lecture from an Equine Vet Nurse
- Grooming
- Feeding
- Basic veterinary care:
  - wound treatments
  - preventative treatments
  - injections
  - deworming
  - weekly tick spraying of horses



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## Outrides (game monitoring on horseback)



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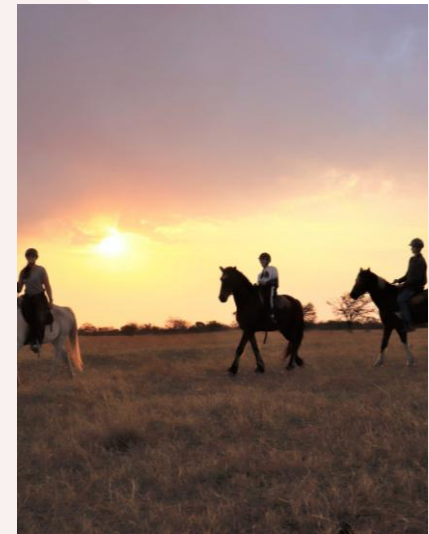
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- Herding (bringing horses in and moving camps)



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## Outrides – Game Counts



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## Bush Clearing, Natural Horsemanship



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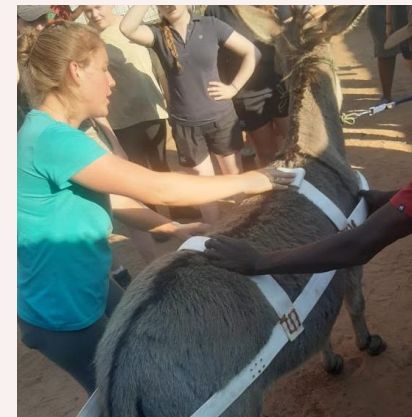
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## Community Development



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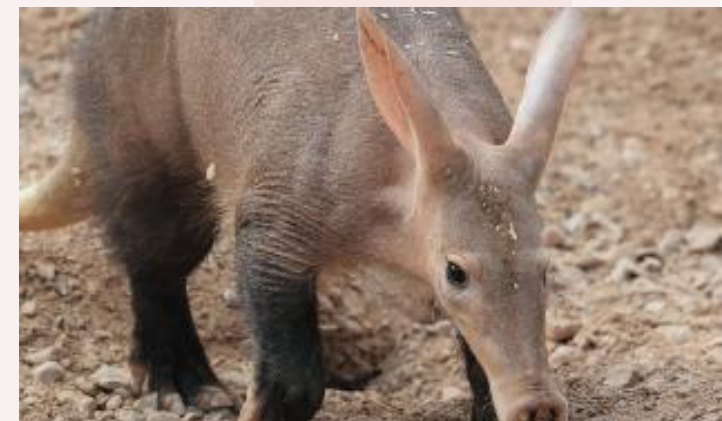
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## Wildlife Conservation Activities

- Interpretive bush walks and tracking
- Game (wildlife) drives
- Full Day Big 5 Game Drive
- Aardvark Safari
- Telemetry Skills
- Bush Walks
- Spoor and Dung Tracking

## Other Activities

- Astronomy show
- Evening Sundowners

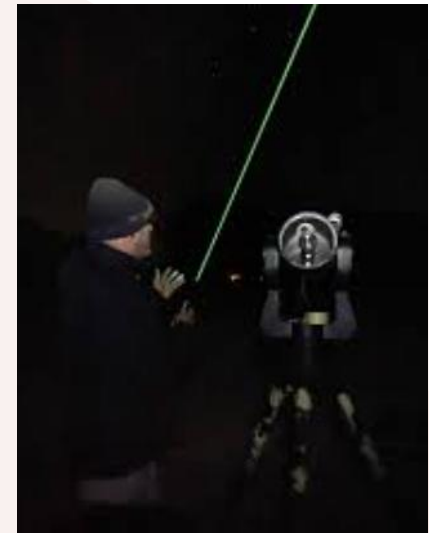




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## Wildlife Conservation Activities



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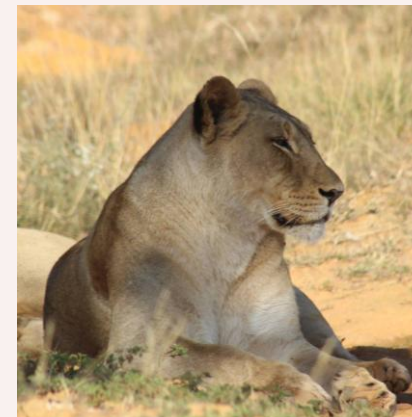
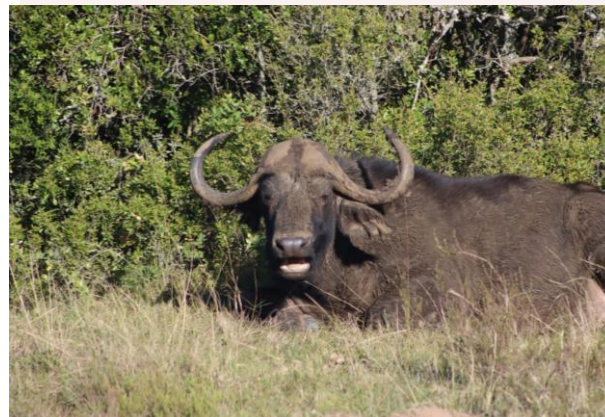
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## Big Five Game Reserve



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## Sample Itinerary

- Day 1: Upon arrival in Johannesburg, you will be met by a road transfer company that will take you to your destination in the bush. Once you arrive, you'll have time to check into your cottage and unpack. Afterwards, you'll enjoy an introductory lunch where you will meet your guides and hosts, followed by an orientation of the cottages and horses. In the evening, you can relax with sundowners under a large fig tree before enjoying a catered Braai dinner at the cottages.
- Day 2: In the morning, the group will split into two. One group will take a rural village tour to Boschdraai, a village on the property, where they will have the opportunity to visit modest homes, meet local people, and see animals and donkeys. The second group will take a guided walk through the bush, learning to track animals through spoor and dung. After lunch, the groups will switch activities in the afternoon, with one group going on a game drive and the other group taking their first horse safari. In the evening, everyone will gather for a memorable astronomy show with Dr. Phil Calcott, where you'll gaze at the stars while relaxing in the bush with blankets, pillows, and hot water bottles.
- Day 3: The morning will again see the group divided into two. One group will go on a guided bush walk, while the other will take the rural village tour to Boschdraai. In the afternoon, the groups will switch again, with one group enjoying another horse safari and the other heading out for a game drive. The day will end with sundowners at the Bush Deck, followed by a catered dinner.
- Day 4: On this day, one group will engage in community work, either helping to paint the community center or building kennels for the local animal shelter, while the other group will go on a longer horse safari to search for larger herds of game. After a picnic lunch in the gardens, all students will participate in bush clearing, where they will remove any wire or dangerous objects from the bush. In the evening, a catered dinner will be served.
- Day 5: You will begin the day with a packed breakfast before heading out for a full-day excursion to Entabeni Game Reserve, where you'll go on a series of Big 5 game drives. A packed lunch will be provided by the pool, and the day will conclude with a catered dinner back at the cottages.



## Sample Itinerary

- Day 6: The morning will start with herding, feeding, and tacking up the horses. Afterward, the group will split again, with one group going on a longer horse safari while the other participates in community work. In the afternoon, everyone will meet for donkey welfare work in the town of Vaalwater, where they will assess the condition of donkeys, treat wounds, and fit new harnesses and bridles. The day will finish with dinner at a restaurant in Vaalwater.
- Day 7: On Sunday, you will begin by herding and manually dipping horses to prevent ticks. Later, Vet Nurse Kirsty will give a lecture covering equine diseases in South Africa, tick prevention and treatment, and basic horse first aid. After lunch, the group will split again, with some continuing community work and others doing bush clearing. The day will conclude with a catered Braai dinner.
- Day 8: This will be your day off, with options such as the Lekhalo zipline, massages, an extra horse safari, relaxing by the pool, or a tour of Leorna. A catered lunch and dinner will be provided.
- Day 9: In the morning, one group will engage in bush clearing work, while the other goes on a third horse safari. After lunch at the Bush Deck, all students will participate in an Aardvark safari. This will begin with a presentation on Aardvarks, followed by a game drive to track and observe these unique animals.
- Day 10: The morning will begin with a walking trail through the bush, followed by a hands-on session learning basic farriery, including trimming horse hooves. In the afternoon, the group will split, with one group taking a final horse safari and the other continuing community work. The evening will feature sundowners at the pool and a catered dinner.
- Day 11: On your final day, your transfer will take you to Horizon Horseback, where you will see a large herd of over 110 horses and watch a demonstration based on Monty Roberts' horse training methods. On the way back, you'll visit Prime Crew Animal Shelter to deliver the dog kennels you helped build. Afterward, you will be taken to OR Tambo Airport in Johannesburg for your evening flight home.



A savanna landscape featuring a river on the left, two giraffes in the middle ground, and two donkeys in the foreground. The scene is set in a lush green field with scattered trees under a clear blue sky.

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# ACCOMMODATION & LIFESTYLE

Accommodation



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## Accommodation

The group will be accommodated in the beautiful historic thatch cottages surrounded by gardens, horses, animals and views of the bushveld.

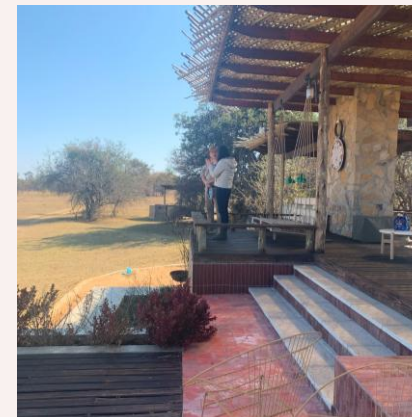
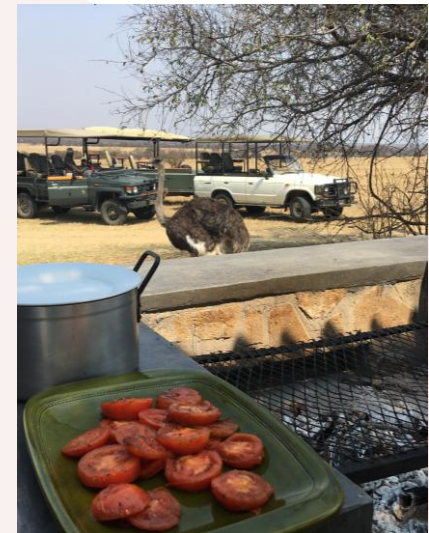




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## Food and Meals



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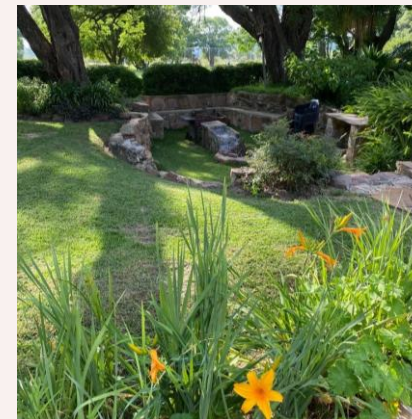
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## Life on the farm



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## Life on the farm



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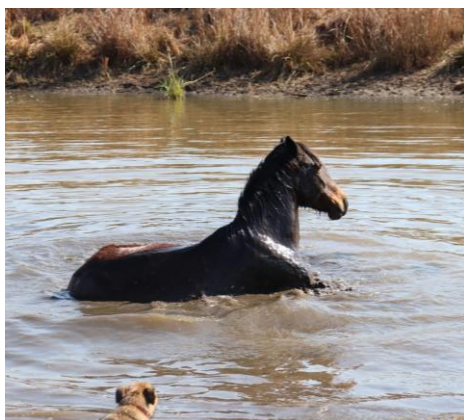
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# WATERBERG EQUINE & WILDLIFE

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## Photo gallery



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# WHY SHOULD YOU TRAVEL?



## Quotes from this students

- "We were busy with the most amazing activities, whilst being looked after exceptionally well and having the most amazing time."
- "Everyone was so happy and relaxed all the time, helped even more by the stunning scenery!"
- "While being over there I noticed how little we all used social media. On the nights we would sit in groups by the fire. Me and my friends would sit by the fire near the kitchen area for hours with hot chocolate just talking and having fun without any phone. It was refreshing"
- ' Everything! Best trip I've ever been on the staff were welcoming and so kind and really made us feel like home. "
- "All the different activities we did like game drives riding and community work was so amazing and the activities we did outside of the cottage were so fun and the staff there were just as amazing. "





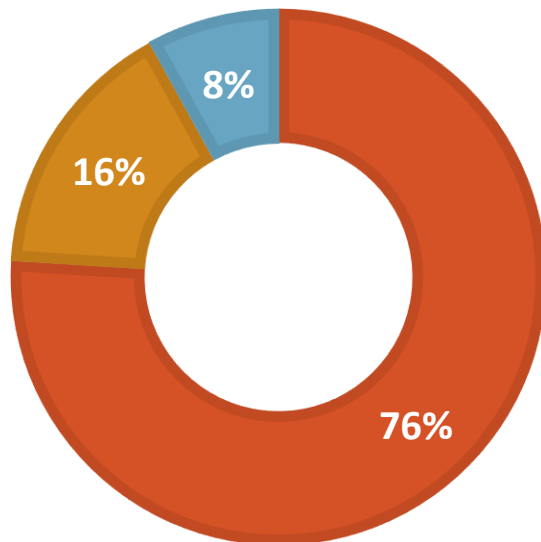
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## Personal Development

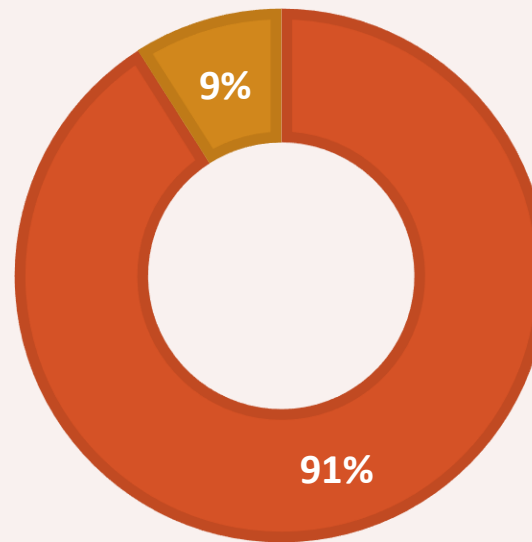
### MENTAL HEALTH IMPROVEMENT

■ Yes ■ No ■ NA



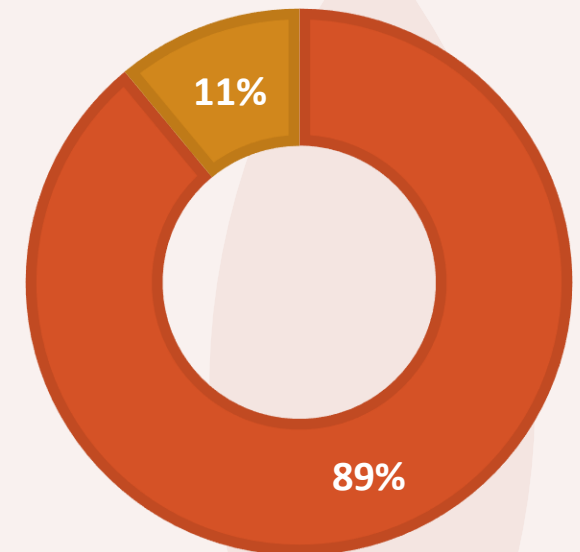
### CONFIDENCE IMPROVEMENT

■ Yes ■ No



### RESILIENCE IMPROVEMENT

■ Yes ■ No



Reference: GAP Africa Projects Post Project Trip Questionnaire 23/24



The background image is a composite of three distinct African savanna scenes. On the left, a body of water reflects the surrounding trees and sky. In the center, a tall giraffe stands in a grassy field with another giraffe visible in the distance. On the right, a close-up of a grey donkey's head with a black halter is shown. A semi-transparent circular graphic with a flame-like shape on the right side is positioned over the water and the central giraffe scene.

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# BOOKING YOUR ADVENTURE

The next steps to the trip of a  
lifetime!



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## Proposed dates and key deadlines

### 2026 Proposed trip dates are:

**Depart UK: Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2026 | Arrive SA: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

**Depart SA: Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2026 | Arrive UK: Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

### Trip cost:

**£2995.00** est. (to be confirmed once flights are arranged)

### Key deadlines are:

- Return of booking form 27/06/2025
- Deposit of £300 to then be paid 18/07/2025
- Instalment payment of 50% due 16 weeks before departure – 23/03/2026
- Balance payment due 8 weeks before departure – 26/01/2026
- Payment schedule available to help manage finances
- E tickets will be issued 2 weeks prior to departure and emailed to students





# WHAT'S INCLUDED



## What is included?

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



## NOT Included

- Personal Travel Insurance \*
- Meals on travel days – before arriving & after departing from the project
- Any activities not specified as part of the project
- Visas/travel documents
- Tips
- Riding hat, boots, gloves, body protector. See kit list (as required by your college)

\* We recommend you take out insurance as soon as your booking is confirmed



# BOOKING YOUR ADVENTURE



## Booking Form

- Please submit by 27/06/2025
- No deposit required at this stage of booking
- Passport fields not mandatory

## Key deadlines are:

- Deposit of £300 to confirm placement
- Instalment payment of 50% due 16 weeks before departure
- Balance payment due 8 weeks before departure

**BOOKING FORM**

(NB: Your name should be given as displayed on your passport)

Title •  
Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Other

Name •  
First Last

Date of birth •  
DD MM YYYY

Address •  
Street Address  
Address Line 2  
City County / State / Region  
ZIP / Postal Code Country

Telephone •

Mobile •

Email 1 •

Email 2 •

(\*\*NB: Please note that all booking correspondence will be sent via Email\*\*)

Passport no.

Passport Issue Date  
DD MM YYYY



# THE NEXT STEPS

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## Confirmation Documents

Confirmation documents will be issued and sent directly to you via email

Please communicate with us with any questions relating to the field trip

**GAP AFRICA PROJECTS**

10 Oct 2022  
Ref: 23-KCA-CAC7-01-LT

**Dear Chloe,**

Thank you for choosing to book with Gap Africa Projects as part of the Kandall College trip to Zulu Land Conservation Research. Please take the time to look through this document and check that everything is correct.

We have received your deposit payment and your placement is now confirmed as per the details below, the final balance and due date is detailed on your invoice.

Please remember that you can contact me to discuss anything in this document as well as any other aspect of your expedition and I am on hand as your personal travel advisor for the entirety of your placement.

Warm regards,  
The Gap Africa Team

**Passengers Travelling**  
Miss Chloe  
Placement(s)  
Zulu Land Conservation Research (06/03/23 - 18/03/23)

**Inclusions**  
Flights, Shared road transfers to and from Project, accommodation for duration, all meals and all project activities.

**Exclusions**  
Insurance, any activities undertaken that are not included as part of the project.

**Your Flight(s)**

Flight No.	Date	Dep. Time	Arrival Time	Departure Airport	Arrival Airport
BA1399	05/03/2023	D : 15:00 A : 16:05		Manchester (MAN)	London Heathrow (LHR)
BA55	05/03/2023	D : 18:20 A : 07:25 + 1 D		London Heathrow (LHR)	Johannesburg (JNB)
BA56	18/03/2023	D : 05:15 A : 05:30 + 1 D		Johannesburg (JNB)	London Heathrow (LHR)
BA1390	19/03/2023	D : 09:35 A : 10:40		London Heathrow (LHR)	Manchester (MAN)

**Your Booking**  
Travel Advice

**Names and spellings**  
It is essential that you take photographs of your passport documents and keep them in a separate place.

**Passport expiry date**  
Your passport must be valid for at least 30 days beyond the intended return date to your country of origin. If you hold a passport other than a British citizen passport, you must seek more specific travel advice from your embassy.

**Passport Copies**  
It is recommended that you take photographs of your passport documents and keep them in a separate place.

**Travel insurance**  
It is essential that you take out the appropriate travel insurance for your trip. Please remember to take the certificate and policy wording booklet with you when you travel. For our preferred travel insurer please visit:  
<https://www.underlight.co.uk/gapafra-proj-afriacert>

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**CONFIRMATION INVOICE**  
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Date: 10/10/2022  
Invoice No: 23-KCA-CAC7-02-W  
Booking Ref: 4413

**Projects, Placements, Extra Activities**

Description	Qty	Arrival	Departure
Zulu Land Conservation Research	1	06/03/2023	18/03/2023

**Flights**

Flight No.	Date	Dep. Time	Arrival Time	Departure Airport	Arrival Airport
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BA1390	19/03/2023	09:35	10:40	London Heathrow (LHR)	Manchester (MAN)

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**Invoice Amounts**

Description	Date	Amount
Total cost of the arrangements as specified above	28/09/2022	£ 2,195.00
Deposit Payment	09/03/2023	£ 1,395.00
Total balance due by	14/11/2022	£ 947.50
Of which is due by		

**Payment Methods**  
Cheques: Payable to GAP AFRICA PROJECTS LTD  
Bank Transfer: Account No: 33609758  
Sort Code: 20-46-73  
Swift: BARCGB22  
IBAN: IBANGB33BARC20467363609758

For all bank transfers, please use your surname and booking number 4413 as reference. For transfers outside of the UK, please ensure that international transfer charges are covered when making the transaction.

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: 18

**What is protected?**

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**Who is protecting your trip?**  
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You are protected from when you were given this certificate to the end of your trip.  
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## Group Web Page and Booking Form

Booking Form



Webpage



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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)
- Riding hat
- Jodhpurs
- Riding boots
- Gloves
- Daypack rucksack
- Socks
- Hat for sun protection (all year round)
- Gloves for warmth (winter only)
- Water bottle (filtered rainwater provided)

\* All work clothes should be neutral or earth tones for working in the bush. No skimpy or bright-colored 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
- Personal medical items/First Aid Kit
- Sunscreen and sunglasses

### Other useful items:

- Binoculars
- Good torch
- Camera
- Spare batteries
- Cards/music
- Mammal/bird book
- Notebook/diary and pen





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