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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





Your Conservation Field Trip Explained

- A unique conservation experience based in South Africa
- Live in a research camp on a wild African game reserve
- 12 night programme specifically tailored for VN students
- Two project locations
- Learn about conservation management
- Project Activities include:
 - Pioneering Conservation Research
 - Conservation Activities
 - Veterinary interventions and activities
- Dedicated vehicles and conservation staff
- The most incredible wildlife experience you will ever have

Your two project locations

Your trip is split between two locations, in two neighbouring provinces of South Africa. You will first observe a focused wildlife veterinary practice on a reserve in the Waterberg, Limpopo Province (Entabeni Safari Conservancy) before travelling to Gauteng Province where you will have a tour of the Johannesburg Wildlife Vet - the only small animal practice in the country that only works on wildlife; assist with some shelter and community cases. learn about a K9 conservation unit and participate in lectures and debates. Project locations and duration are as follows:

Itinerary

8 Nights

Entabeni Safari Conservancy – Waterberg – Limpopo Province

4 Nights

Kyalami, Midrand and surrounding areas – Gauteng Province

Entabeni Safari Conservancy - Location





Entabeni Safari Conservancy -

- Location Africa a world leader in conservation
- Malaria free Waterberg Plateau

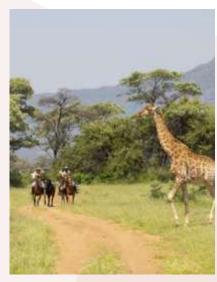




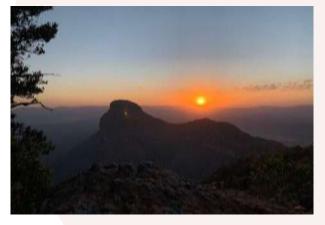
Known for its dramatic landscape















What is a Game Reserve?

- A game reserve is a large area of protected land where wild animals can live safely
- Wildlife is free roaming throughout the reserve allowing them to thrive in their natural habitat
- Reserves are either Government Owned (National Parks) or Privately Owned/Managed
- Most reserves will have physical boundaries i.e. electrified fence line
- Due to physical boundaries, wildlife must be managed due to restraints on population growth, migration and resources
- Wildlife is protected but also utilised as a tourist attraction (Eco Tourism) which creates funding for conservation efforts and research







Home to the BIG 5













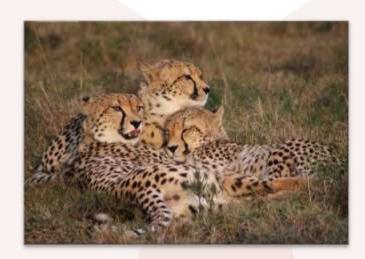
Home to over 60 Species of Mammal















Many Reptile, Insect and Bird Species

















Entabeni Safari Conservancy

- 22 000 Hectare Privately Managed Game Reserve
- Forming part of the Waterberg Biosphere (662 059 ha)
- Work alongside the conservation team including:
 - Wildlife Vets
 - Conservation Researchers
 - Ecologists
 - Anti Poaching Unit
- Located in a Malaria free zone
- Proclaimed Protected Conservation Area
- Savannah Eco System
- Student Camp Accommodation



Entabeni Safari Conservancy (8 Nights)

- Introduction to Entabeni Safari Conservancy and Research Projects
- Introduction to Wildlife Veterinary work in the Context of African Wildlife (Dr Zoe Glyphis Local Wildlife Vet)
- Rhino orphanage assist with orphaned rhino calves
- Time spent with the research team conducting conservation activities
- Wildlife Veterinary work and intervention (Dr Pierre Bester)
- Build up to possible intervention and planning
- Lectures

It's important to remember that wildlife does not work to an agenda, therefore activities may change at short notice!











Dr Pierre Bester - Wildlife Veterinarian - Rhino Expert

He has a mixed animal practice (small and large domestic as well as wild) where the scope of his work includes the immobilisation, treatment, and translocation of African wildlife; specialising in rhino.

He's been involved with the immobilisation and translocation of thousands of rhinos, as well as countless other species.













Dr Zoe Glyphis – Wildlife Veterinarian – Predator Specialist

Dr Zoe Glyphis has become one of South Africa's leading predator specialists and is on the forefront with veterinary medicine and veterinary assistance of wild dog, hyena and cheetah conservation all over South Africa.

She is helping and assisting several NGO groups and organizations with their efforts to increase predator ranges and to establish safe and genetically viable populations in new conservation areas.













Learning about a Veterinarians role in the field















The Rhino Orphanage

The Rhino Orphanage was the first-ever non-commercial specialised, centre dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation, raising and release of orphaned rhinos back into the wild.

Although new-born rhinos can weigh up to 50kgs, they are essentially "helpless" and require protection so that they may survive and ultimately thrive.













Introduction of Darting Techniques

Learn the basic principles for darting wildlife. Each student will have the opportunity to use the gas powered dart gun at the range.













Introduction to Pharmacology















Monitoring the Entabeni Rhino Population

Behavioural observations, photos and GPS locations are recorded to document where the animals are occurring; keeping tabs on the localities and activities of White and Black Rhino on the reserve.

Importantly also monitor body condition, injuries, mating, calving, behaviour, herd structure etc.















Research – Habitat and Prey Selection: Predators















Research - Elephant Monitoring & Fertility Study













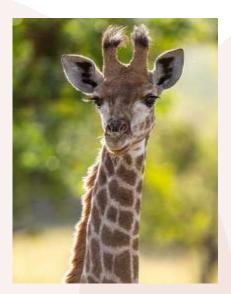




Monitoring Herbivore Condition and Health

















Camera Trap – Research and Study

















Anti-Poaching Unit

















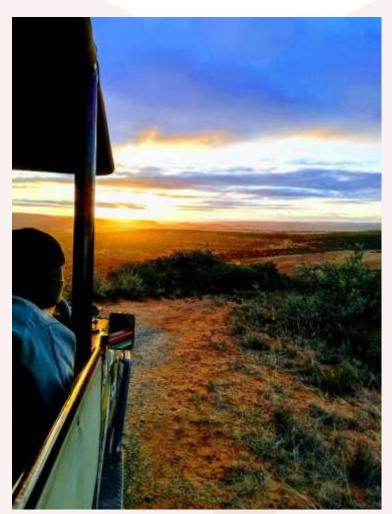
Night Game Drives











Rhino – Fitting of Prosthetics















Rhino - Sinus Infection















Lion immobilisation & collaring/removal















Cheetah Relocation – Endangered Wildlife Trust (EWT)















Free-roaming Waterberg Wild Dog - Talks















Possible Lectures & Debate

- Drugs used in wildlife medicine
- Calculating doses in wildlife
- Logistics of wildlife transportation: customised vehicles, crates and equipment
- The Game Trade-Auction and value of livestock
- Game capture systems
- Darting wildlife
- Boma management and rehabilitation
- Orphaned Rhino rehabilitation
- Parasite control
- Managing game reserves and Land Capacity Model
- Species control predator pits
- State veterinary disease control in practice
- Documentation required: Red Cross Permits







Community – GAP Donation Bags



















Kyalami, Midrand and surrounding areas – Gauteng (4 Nights)

- Visit to Johannesburg Wildlife Veterinary hospital.
- Assist with some animal shelter and community cases
- Assist with a K9 conservation unit.

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Kyalami - Society for Animals in Distress

Vet care is provided by Vets, Vet Nurses, Animal Health Technicians and Animal Welfare Assistants.

The organisation's focus is to provide access to veterinary care for all, to serve vulnerable communities and animal care organisations.

Students will assist professional Masterton method practitioner and veterinarians at the rescue centre with horses, dogs, cats and other small animals.

The animals have been rescued from impoverished circumstances and are rehabilitated to be rehomed.













Kyalami -Pit-Track K9 antipoaching unit

Pit-Track is a registered NPC Non-Profit Company specialising in K9 Conservation and Anti-Poaching, made up of highly skilled, and dedicated operators,, who have devoted their lives to the protection of wildlife.

Pit-Track has operated extensively on antipoaching operations and has continued to remain in the field on the frontline of the war against poaching.

Students will meet the K9 antipoaching team. A talk about the poaching crisis will be delivered as well as a K9 demo. Students then have the opportunity to assist these working dogs with any physio needs.











Activities/Excursions (own cost and optional)

There will be free time/days off, where you'll be able to do some additional activities at your own cost. These are optional.

All activities are booked and paid for (cash or, sometimes, card) at the project.

More information will be given closer to the time. N.B. Your travel insurance must cover you for any additional activites you choose to do.

Any activities booked and paid for locally are not covered under GAPAfrica Project's personal liability insurance.













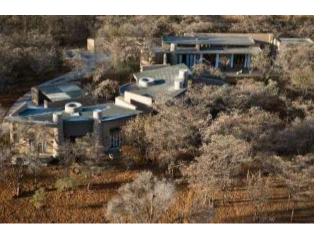
Waterberg - Entabeni Accommodation

You will stay in twin bedded rooms with ensuite facilities.

There are 4, 5 and 6 bedroom units each of which has an open plan layout with lounge and dining area and a fully equipped kitchen.













ACCOMMODATION

Gauteng – Fair Glen Guest House

staying in twin bedded You accommodation with en-suite facilities.

There is a swimming pool and outdoor seating area and the guest house has WiFi.

The quest house offers comfortable areas to relax and unwind and is based in an equestrianthemed suburb.

Ideally situated for the visits to the Johannesburg Wildlife Vet Practice and Animals in Distress.







Meals

At Entabeni all meals are included. The students will self prepare meals as a group in one of the kitchens.

Some days lunch will be at the accommodation; other days lunch will be brought into the field to be taken as a picnic.

All meals will be provided at Fair Glen Guest House. A packed lunch will be provided if the group are not returning to the accommodation at lunch time.

Evenings are spent at leisure around the campfire.

Only Sunday will be an off day to 'chill' in camp or do extra activities.







ACCOMMODATION & LIFESTYLE



Life on Reserve





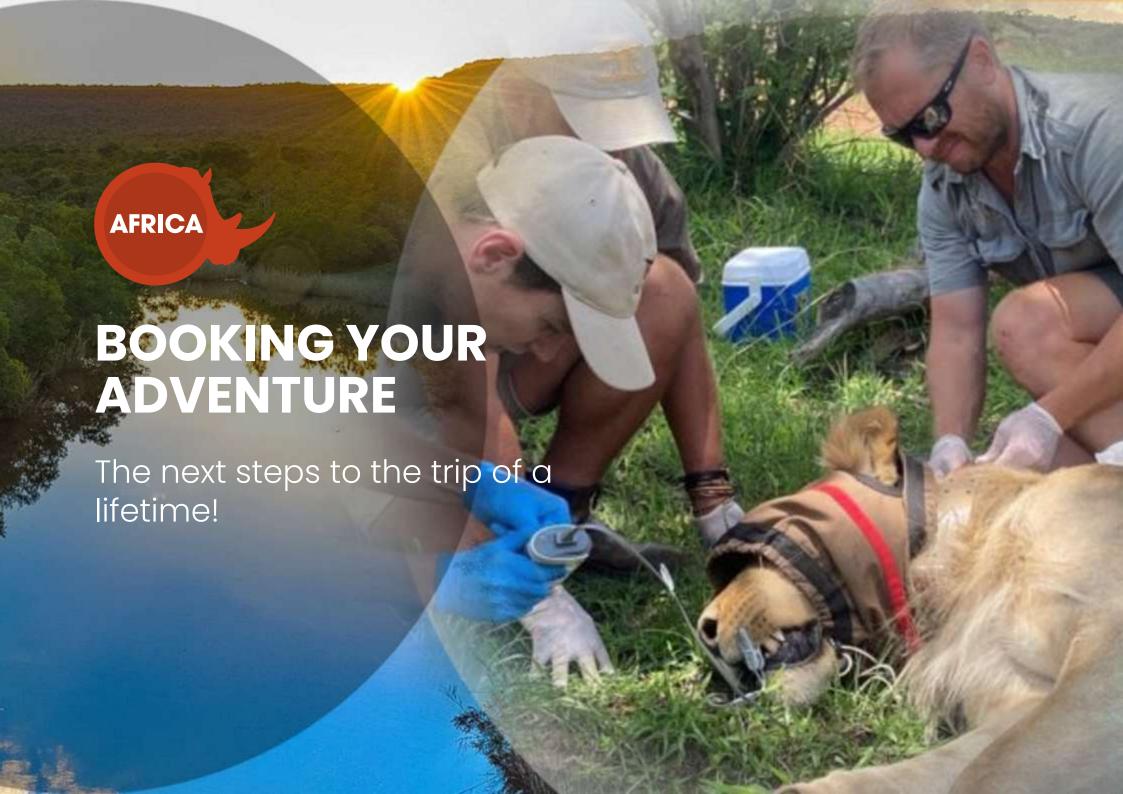








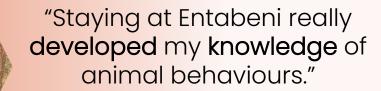




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AFRICA

What do previous travellers say about the Waterberg Wildlife and Veterinary Course - Entabeni?



"Everything exceeded my expectations, and the trip was life-changing."



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

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> "Assisting in the field was a phenomenal experience."

> > "I have returned home feeling more confident about my practical skills, it was brilliant."

> > > We got the opportunity to take part in practicals and interventions too, it was incredible."

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

WHAT'S INCLUDED

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 project
- Any activities not specified as part of the project
- Weekend activities
- Visas/travel documents
- Tips
- * We recommend you take out insurance as soon as your booking is confirmed



Confirmed travel dates:

Depart UK: 8th March 2026 | Arrive SA: 9th March 2026

Depart SA: 21st March 2026 | Arrive UK: 22nd March 2026

Trip cost:

£2795.00* Based on a group of 16 (confirmed once flights have been held)

Key deadlines are:

- Return online booking form by 03/10/2025
- Deposit payment, £300.00 by 17/10/2025
- 50% instalment payment of £1247.50 to be paid by 17/11/2025
- Balance payment of £1247.50 to be paid by 12/01/2026
- 23/02/2026 e-Tickets & final documents will be issued



BOOKING YOUR ADVENTURE

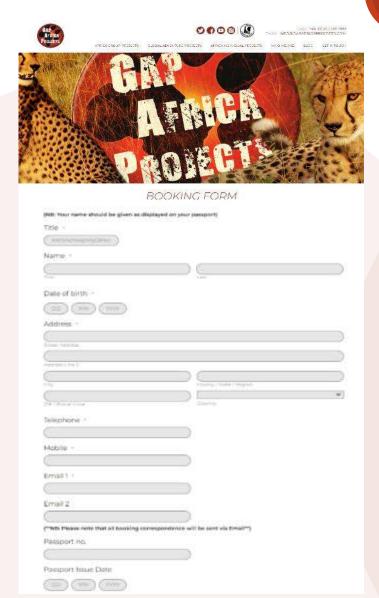
AFRICA

Booking Form

- Please submit by **03/10/2025**
- 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



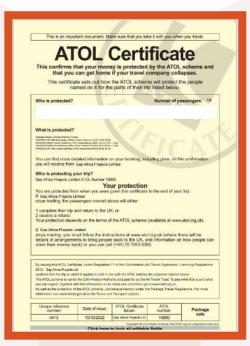
Confirmation Documents

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

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







Group Web Page

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Booking Form

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BOOKING FORM Your Global Adventure Starts here! You have the option to pay your initial deposit with the submission of your booking form, or we will contact you for payment orice your project placement has been If you'd five to contact us to ask any initial questions or find out more about what project you'd like to go on and when, you can get also get in touch using our short. enquiry form, or by calling +44 (0) 207 193 7819. Date of birth " **(2) (2) (3)**

Sustainability & Social, Economic Responsibility

Local employment from rural communities - our project partners employ a high percentage of staff from local communities. They advocate training to advance careers in hospitality, wildlife and conservation.

Low environmental impact camps – our project bush camps are built with minimal impact on the environment. Resources from the surrounding area are utilised for buildings, water is (where possible) pumped from local river sources and green energy supplies, such as solar are championed.

Community donations and support - we encourage all our international study groups to be proactive in donation collections and arrange for excess baggage for said donations to be taken out to South Africa in support of the local communities.

Move Africa, supporting young females – 3 in 10 girls in South Africa miss a week of school every month because they cannot afford basic sanitary products. Our project partners work with Move Africa alongside their partner NGOs, to distribute menstrual cups to the local communities and provide education workshops.

Rhino Art - Project rhino realises the enormous responsibility the youth have to ensure our wildlife is protected for many generations to come. They ensure they can reach and educate as may kids as possible through Rhino Art, using art workshops to teach about conservation. This initiative is supported by our local project partners.

Food/crop education – our project partners encourage food and crop education to rural communities, where cost of living to low income families and distance travelled to obtain basic resources can prove problematic. Projects include community allotments and providing education on best practice for crop rotations, harvest seasons and nutrition.

Recycling workshops - Litter, and in particular plastics, is a major issue and threat to the ecosystem in Southern Africa. Rural communities have limited waste removal available and it is therefore a problem escalating at an alarming rate. Recycling workshops are provided through local schools to help educate children on the importance of correctly disposing of litter and recycling plastics.



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