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Waterberg Wildlife Course



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ABOUT THE WATERBERG WILDLIFE COURSE

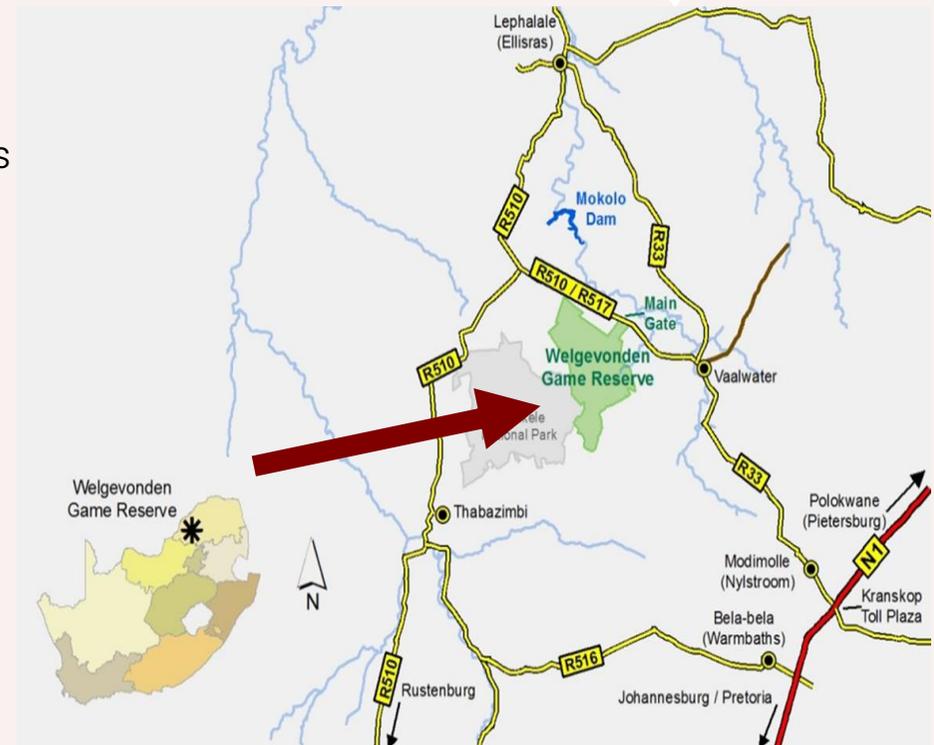
Project overview and
location

ABOUT WELGEVONDEN

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Welgevonden Game Reserve

- 36,000 Hectare Privately Managed Game Reserve
- Forming part of the Waterberg Biosphere (over 662 059 ha)
- Work with the biomonitoring team alongside:
 - Wildlife Vets
 - Researchers
 - Ecologists, Conservation and Operations Teams
 - Anti-Poaching Unit
- Proclaimed Protected Conservation Area
- Savannah Biome
- Dedicated to balancing biodiversity protection with responsible tourism.
- The reserve's management focuses on habitat restoration, anti-poaching initiatives, and ongoing wildlife research to ensure a sustainable future for its unique ecosystem.



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Welgevonden Game Reserve



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Your Conservation Programme – Biomonitoring Project

As part of your project, you will be heavily involved with the day-to-day field work conducted by the biomonitoring team. Activities include, but are not limited to:

- Game transects – estimates of numbers, body condition and herd structure
- Telemetry tracking of collared animals
- White Rhino monitoring and condition scoring
- Camera Trap Surveys (Black Rhino and other cryptic animals)
- Nocturnal species ID and night game drive
- Wildlife breeding management (buffalo, rhino & big cats)
- Mortality/kill recording
- Visit temporary holding bomas (enclosures)
- Animal tracking
- Waterberg Wild Dog Project
- Collecting fecal samples for research
- Alien plant species eradication
- Vegetation Condition and biomass Assessments
- Waterberg Biodiversity Project Data Collection with experts in their fields

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Home to the BIG 5



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Home to over 60 Species of Mammal



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ACCOMODATION & LIFESTYLE

Living in the African Bush

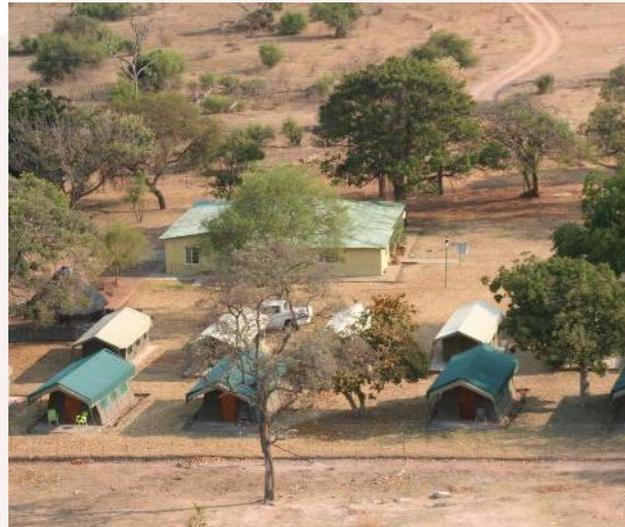
Welgevonden Accommodation

The student centre and camp is based on the reserve and boasts ten tents that sleep two people per tent in single beds, each tent also has lighting and electricity supply.

There are communal hot and cold showers and regular flushing toilets. There are communal facilities including a lecture room, canteen, lounge, entertainment area and storage fridge.

The centre also has access to Wi-Fi.

The camp is fenced off inside the boundaries of the reserve.



Food at the Project – Welgevonden

Ingredients for three meals a day are provided, on a self cook basis. Students will take part in communal cooking and keeping the kitchen tidy. This creates a vibrant and social camp atmosphere.

All meals are provided in the communal dining room, there is an outside area for dining as well.

Meals will either be served at the facility or in the field 'picnic' style, this depends on activities either planned or unscheduled.

Dietary Requirements

Provision can be made for Vegetarian & Vegan diets and for those who have a medical condition such as Coeliac disease that requires a Gluten Free Diet and for those with severe allergies to dairy, eggs or nuts.





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ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES & EXCURSIONS

Your free time on the project

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Optional Activities

Vaalwater Town & Township Cultural Tour – This includes a morning visit to a local art gallery, curio shop, craft market before enjoying a traditional lunch (own cost)
The afternoon can include a visit to Lapa for traditional dancing and music.

Price – R900. You will also need to buy your own lunch.

You **must** ensure your travel insurance covers you for any optional activities you undertake.

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

The activities are booked and paid for, in cash, locally





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PRE DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Travel details

Departure from the United Kingdom | Arrival to South Africa

Flights

Flight No	Flight Date	Dept.	Dept. Time	Arr.	Arr. Time
KQ0101	01/02/2026	London Heathrow (LHR)	17:25	Nairobi (NBO)	05:00 + 1 Day
KQ0760	02/02/2026	Nairobi (NBO)	07:45	Johannesburg (JNB)	10:55

*Always check the flight timings on your final documents

Baggage Allowance – 1 piece checked baggage @ 23kgs, 1 piece hand baggage max dimensions 55x35x25cm

Johannesburg OR Tambo Airport

Clear immigration & collect baggage to clear customs.
Meet GAP representative by the statue in the arrivals hall.
Transfer to Welgevonden Game Reserve (4 hours).
Supermarket stop off.



Departure from South Africa | Arrival to the United Kingdom

Flights

Flight No	Flight Date	Dept.	Dept. Time	Arr.	Arr. Time
* KQ0765	17/02/2026	Johannesburg (JNB)	01:15	Nairobi (NBO)	06:20
KQ0100	17/02/2026	Nairobi (NBO)	09:10	London Heathrow (LHR)	15:30

Baggage Allowance – 1 piece checked baggage @ 23kgs, 1 piece hand baggage max dimensions 55x35x25cm

Return Journey

Transfer from Welgevonden Game Reserve.
Check in at the Kenya Airways check-in desk.



Cabin Baggage



Rucksack (not trolley suitcase)
No larger than 55x35x25cm

Hold Baggage



One piece maximum 23kg

To allow for ease of transfer to the project a soft holdall/ soft suitcase is preferred.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

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Travel Documents

- Final Documents Issued 19/01/2026
- Emailed to your personal and/or college email address
- Print and take copies
- Boarding passes issued at the airport
- Passports!

Your e-ticket

Travelport ViewTrip™
This Electronic Ticket Receipt has been brought to you by Travelport ViewTrip and your travel provider. For the latest information on your travel plans, view your itinerary at ViewTrip.com.

Reservation Number: RESRGS View Electronic Ticket Receipt

Traveler		
Passenger Name	Billing Address	Delivery Address
DEBLEY, GEORGE MR	TRAVEL COUNSELLORS PHENIX TRAVEL ROSE CHURCHGATE BOLTON PIBLI 1YN	No Address On Record

Agency Information
TRAVEL COUNSELLORS LTD
Travel House
Bolton L1 1TH
UNITED KINGDOM
Agency Phone: 01204 636 094 TRAVEL COUNSELLORS PLC PHENIX FLT5
Agency IATA Number: 91277992

e-Ticket Receipt - 93294169922 - VS 801 - 28 Jun 2015 - LHR Today's Date: 29 May 2015
Ticket Number: 93294169922 Galileo Reservation Number: RESRGS Ticket Issue Date: 27 May 2015

Flight Information			
28 Jun 2015	Virgin Atlantic Airways Ltd (VS) 801	Economy (C)	Virgin Atlantic Airways Ltd Confirmation Number: 9H9G24
Depart:	Heathrow (LHR) - Terminal 3	9:05 PM	Fare Basis: 8T
	London		Not Valid Before: 28 Jun 2015
Arrive:	Johannesburg (JNB) - Terminal A	9:05 AM	Not Valid After: 28 Jun 2015

Applies to: LHR - JNB
Baggage Allowance: 1 Piece Plan

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:
Mr Daniel Alexander	1

What is protected?
Package valid to South Africa to 12 days
28 Jun-11:00 London Heathrow (LHR) Johannesburg (JNB); 21:00:00 - 1 Day
28 Jun-18:00 Johannesburg (JNB) London Heathrow (LHR); 11:10:00
11 Jun-18:00 London Heathrow (LHR) Johannesburg (JNB); 13:30:00 - 1 Day
11 Jun-18:00 Johannesburg (JNB) London Heathrow (LHR); 20:00:00 - 1 Day

You can find more detailed information on your booking, including price, on the confirmation you will receive from Gap Africa Projects Limited

Who is protecting your trip?
Gap Africa Projects Limited ATOL Number 10890 Booking Ref: 4007

Your protection
You are protected from when you were given this certificate to the end of your trip. If Gap Africa Projects Limited stops trading, the passengers named above will either:

- 1 complete their trip and return to the UK; or
- 2 receive a refund.

Your protection depends on the terms of the ATOL scheme (available at www.atol.org.uk).

If Gap Africa Projects Limited stops trading, you must follow the instructions at www.atol.org.uk (where there will be details of arrangements to bring people back to the UK, and information on how people can claim their money back) or you can call (+44) 20 7463 0350.

Unique reference number:	Date of issue:	ATOL Certificate issuer:	ATOL number:	Package title:
4007	16/10/2014	Gap Africa Projects Limited	10890	

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Life changing conservation and community projects that make a difference

16/07/2017	Check in for your flight at the South African Airways Check in Desk, London Heathrow, terminal 2	18:00
	Depart London Heathrow	21:00
17/07/2017	Arrive Johannesburg International Airport, Terminal A	09:00

Upon arrival please clear immigration and collect your baggage to pass through Customs.

A member of the Gap Africa Projects ground team will meet you at International Arrivals Hall and take you through to Domestic Departures, terminal B. Please look out for our Meet and Great Board.

Drop off Baggage at SAA bag drop - Domestic Terminal B

Depart Johannesburg	10:45
Arrive Port Elizabeth Airport	12:20

Upon arrival you will be met by a representative from Blunden Tours and transferred to Shamwari Game Reserve

Shamwari Group Conservation Experience x 14 DAYS

31/07/2017	Today is the final day of your placement and you will be transferred to Port Elizabeth Airport	11:00
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Check in for your flight at the SAA Check in Desk

Depart Port Elizabeth	14:35
Arrive Johannesburg Terminal B	16:10

Upon arrival please make your way to Terminal A International Departures

Depart Johannesburg	18:55
Arrive London Heathrow, terminal 2	06:25

Important Travel Advice

Under 18 Visa Requirements.
If you are aged under 18, whether travelling alone or within a group you must adhere to the regulations set for minors entering the republic of South Africa. <http://www.dha.gov.za/index.php/cvsc-services/travelling-with-children>

Names and spellings.
It is crucial that they match what is printed on your passport. If there is a mistake this will need to be changed, otherwise you may be refused travel.



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USEFUL INFORMATION

Recommended Kit List and
other Useful Information

Suggested kit list

To allow for ease of transfer to the project a soft holdall/ soft suitcase is preferred.

- Short and long sleeve t-shirts
- Long work trousers and shorts (or work/zip-off trousers)
- Hiking boots/comfortable walking shoes to work in every day
- Waterproof jacket
- Sweatshirt/Fleece (Winter months pack plenty)
- Padded jacket/windbreaker (Winter months) although it can get very cold on an open vehicle even in summer
- Socks
- Underwear
- Change of casual clothes for evenings
- Sandals / comfy shoes to wear after work hours
- Warm hat (Winter only) / Hat for sun protection (all year)
- Gloves for warmth (Winter only)
- Working gloves
- Daypack rucksack
- Surgical gloves
- Sunscreen and Sunglasses
- Personal medical items
- First aid kit
- Toiletries
- Tick / Insect repellent
- Water bottle
- Good torch

Other useful items:

- Binoculars
- Camera
- Power bank
- Stethoscope

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

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; 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.

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



<https://www.true Traveller.com/?tag=4480>

Travel Adapter

It is important you take the right travel adapter so you can charge your phone, and other devices, whilst away.



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/exempt-countries>

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Climate

Welgevonden

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
						
31° 19°	32° 19°	29° 20°	30° 19°	31° 19°	31° 22°	30° 21°
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
						
30° 21°	31° 19°	29° 19°	30° 19°	29° 19°	29° 20°	30° 19°
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
						
31° 19°	29° 19°	29° 19°	30° 19°	29° 18°	29° 19°	30° 20°

Climate

Limpopo Province

January is the hottest month in Limpopo with an average temperature of 23°C (73°F) and the coldest month is June at 13°C (55°F). The wettest month is November with an average of 100mm of rainfall.

Have a look at the accuweather website for more information, link below:

<https://www.accuweather.com/en/za/polokwane>

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.

On day trips/excursions it is also a nice gesture to show your appreciation for the guide.

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 at shops in large towns, the reserve and the cultural tour company do not have credit card facilities.

Wise Travel Card offers up to £500.00 with no transfer fee for Gap Africa Project Travellers:



<https://wise.prf.hn/l/XZJx9gq>

Phones & Internet

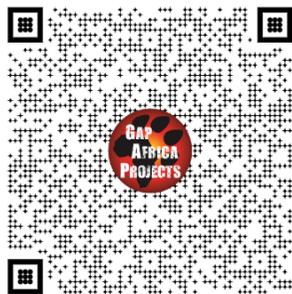
Mobile phone coverage is generally good at Welgevonden Game Reserve, although there may be some areas on the reserve where there isn't any coverage. Using an eSIM or purchasing a SIM card at the airport is another option.

Some Wi-Fi is available at the accommodation however internet speeds are not up to international urban standards but are effective for communication.

We have partnered with Holafly eSim provider 5% discount use code GAPAFRICAPROJECTS.

Benefits of an eSIM

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



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 Unlimited data Enjoy unlimited data while traveling to numerous destinations worry-free. Learn more	 Keep using your favorite apps Get that safe ride home, find that great restaurant, and pin the local attractions, all while staying connected with your loved ones.	 Keep your WhatsApp number You can call and message all your contacts on WhatsApp, like you're in the same country. Don't lose touch with family and friends.
 24/7 Customer Support In need of assistance? Our 24/7 chat support is just a message away to keep you connected and help you with everything you need.	 Fast and Reliable Internet Connection Connect to the best networks at your destination and get internet that's both reliable and fast	 Enjoy dual SIMs Enjoy the flexibility of our digital eSIM while keeping the option to use your original SIM as usual whenever you need it.

<https://shorturl.at/sxE29>

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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



<https://hyvfsu-vu.myshopify.com/>



SIZES	XS	S	M	L	XL	XXL	3XL	4XL	5XL
A - Half Chest	49	51	56	61	65	69	73	78	83
B - Body Length	64	67	70	73	76	79	82	86	90
C - Sleeve Length	57.5	59	60.5	62	63.5	65	66.5	68.5	70.5

All garment measurements are shown in centimetres (cm). Garment sizes are approximate and for guidance only.

SIZES	XS	S	M	L	XL	XXL	3XL	4XL	5XL
To Fit Chest Size	34 inch	36 inch	40 inch	44 inch	48 inch	52 inch	56 inch	60 inch	64 inch



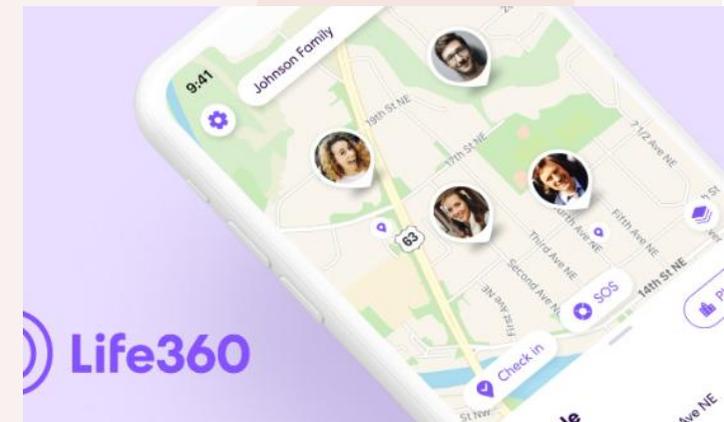
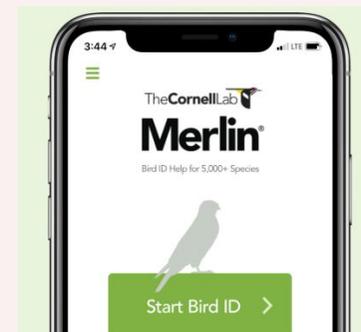
Useful Apps for Next of Kin

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.

Merlin Bird App





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