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## KwaZulu-Natal Community Volunteering Project

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# TRIP OVERVIEW

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## Wilberforce 6<sup>th</sup> Form College – Booking Reference 4749

### Travel Dates:

17<sup>th</sup> March 2026 – 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2026

### Flights:

Flight No	Flight Date	Dept.	Dept. Time	Arr.	Arr. Time
WB711	17/03/2026	London Heathrow (LHR)	20:30	Kigali (KGL)	07:30 + 1 Day
WB108	18/03/2026	Kigali (KGL)	10:30	Johannesburg (JNB)	14:20
FA430	18/03/2026	Johannesburg (JNB)	19:25	King Shaka Int: Durban (DUR)	20:35
FA287	02/04/2026	King Shaka Int: Durban (DUR)	11:30	Johannesburg (JNB)	12:40
WB109	02/04/2026	Johannesburg (JNB)	16:50	Kigali (KGL)	20:40
WB710	03/04/2026	Kigali (KGL)	01:15	London (LHR)	09:45

\*Always check the flight timings on your final documents

**Baggage Allowance** – 1 piece of checked baggage @ 20kgs & 1 piece of hand baggage @7kgs maximum dimensions 56x36x23cm

### Project:

KwaZulu-Natal Community Volunteering Project



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# ABOUT THE PROJECT

Overview and location  
of the project

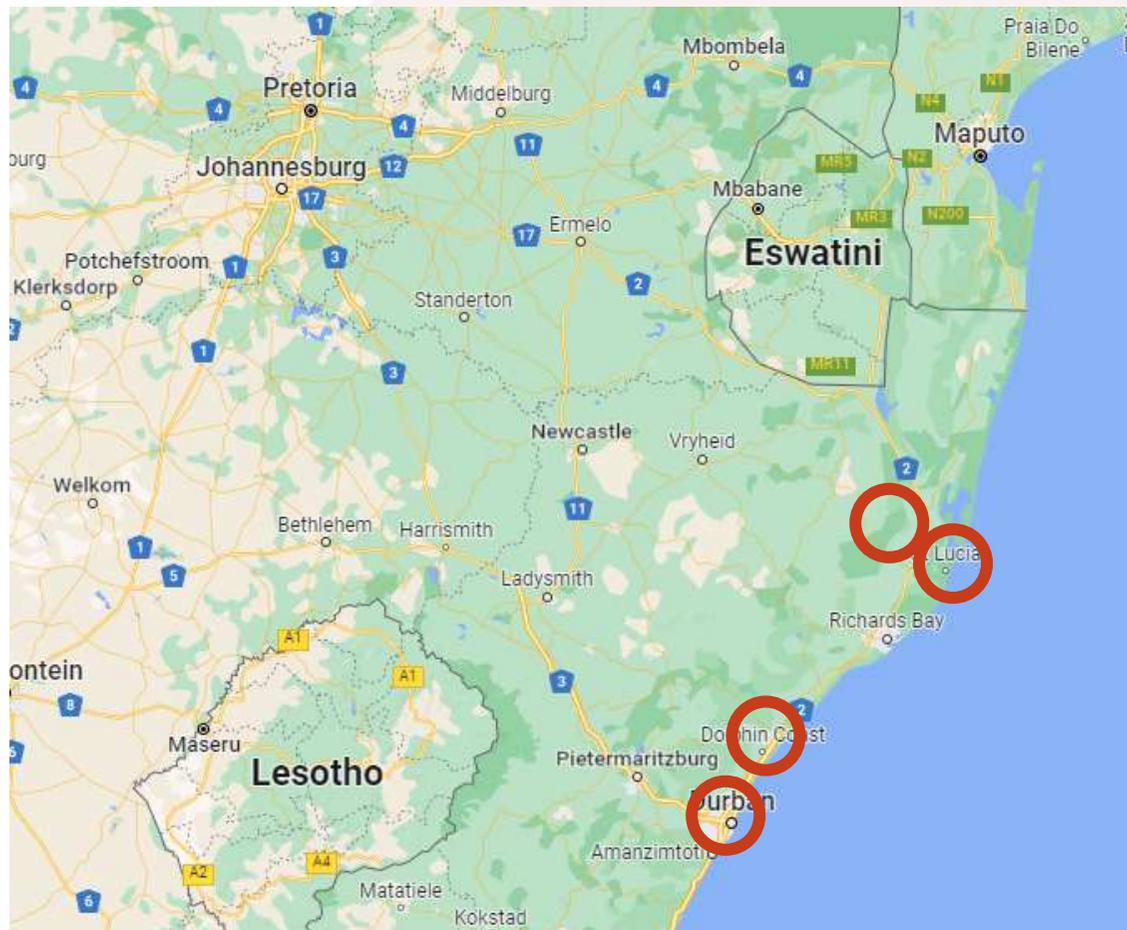


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## Project- Location

- Staying in three locations on the Northeastern Coast
- Ballito – Dolphin Coast, Bonamanzi Game Reserve, St Lucia



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## KwaZulu-Natal Community and Volunteering Project

The KwaZulu-Natal Community Volunteering project is located conveniently close to Durban (3 hours) on the KwaZulu-Natal North Coast in South Africa it is close to the beautiful St Lucia Wetlands, a UNESCO World Heritage Site

The main project location is Bonamanzi and the surrounding community; Bonamanzi is a Zulu word for "look water!" The nearest town is Hluhluwe which has South Africa's oldest Game Reserve.

The second module of the project is located in St Lucia this is a small but quaint village that is becoming a top tourist destination, St Lucia is famous for its huge population of wild hippos.

KwaZulu-Natal including St Lucia is located in a low to no risk malaria area – Antimalarials are not usually advised.



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## Ballito, Dolphin Coast

Ballito is a coastal town known for its golden beaches, warm Indian Ocean waters, and year-round dolphin sightings, offering a relaxed vibe with rich biodiversity, all nestled between sugar-cane fields and the sea.



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## Bonamanzi

Bonamanzi is a privately owned Game Reserve, 4000 hectares in size with the Hluhluwe River on its Eastern border. Proclaimed a Natural Heritage Site in 1995 in recognition of the biodiversity of the Reserve it offers Sand Forests, Savanna and Wetland areas. This diversity is why Bonamanzi is recognized as one of the best birding destinations in Southern Africa.



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## St Lucia Wetlands

**St. Lucia** is situated on the northern side of the estuary, the largest in Southern Africa, and is totally surrounded by the Greater St. Lucia Wetlands Park and World Heritage Site. The area is famous for its wetlands and is a fantastic opportunity to witness Crocodiles and Hippos in their natural environment.



# BALLITO COMMUNITY ACTIVITY

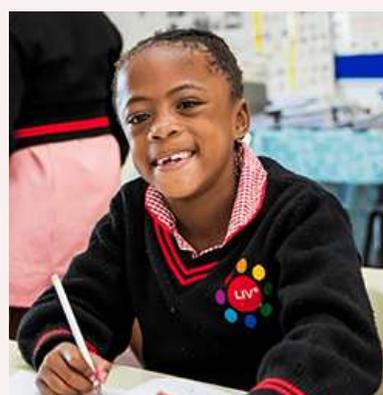
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## LIV Village

Lungisisa Indlela Village is a long term foster care facility for orphaned and vulnerable children. With the building of the first village in 2011, the vision became reality and the model proves to be sustainable with government, churches and corporates working together. Today LIV has a national footprint with villages and projects in Durban, Gauteng, Western Cape, and Eastern Cape.

Please ensure you **adhere to the following strict dress code** when working in the community:

Shoulders to be covered, tops to fully cover tummy/stomach and the length of shorts must be closer to knee length. As GAP Africa Projects, we ask you not to wear strappy vest tops, cropped tops, or short shorts. You would be best wearing a full-length t-shirt with leggings/trousers/skirt or 'longer' shorts (that come closer to your knee).



## KwaZulu-Natal Community Volunteering Project

Students will be taught and have the opportunity to work alongside several inspiring professionals -

**Project Rhino.** - Project Rhino aims to educate school children on the conservation of Rhinos and the Rhino poaching crisis. It aims to increase relationships with game reserves and the neighboring communities. Project Rhino has reached over 700,000 school children in South Africa, educating these children about the importance of the natural world and the wildlife around them. Children attend presentations and are encouraged to produce artwork in support of the local wildlife. The education links directly to the Zulu culture

**Move Africa** - Champion and encourage girls on how to use menstrual cups as a sustainable solution to period poverty. In Africa 3 out of 10 girls miss out on a week of school every month, due to not being able to afford menstrual products. This has a huge impact on the girl's outlook. Move Africa's aim is to equip young women with sustainable sanitary products and relevant education about menstrual cycles.



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## KwaZulu-Natal Community Volunteering Project

**Ndumu Charitable Foundation** – Focuses primarily on improving early childhood development and education within communities, particularly in the refurbishment of creches and nurseries. Projects include building and improving play equipment, painting the classrooms, digging vegetable gardens and talking to staff about the importance of correct nutrition. Ndumu are also passionate about installing libraries in primary schools.



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**Kingsley Holgate Foundation** – has supported conservation efforts and communities bordering wildlife parks throughout Africa for over a decade. Their Early Childhood Development programme works to improve the nutrition and education of over 3000 local children who live in rural communities on the boundaries of wildlife reserves.

**Woza Moya** – This charity aims to reduce poverty through arts and crafts. Woza Moya assists those in need to develop skills and learn how to turn their skills into an income by using local products. Woza Moya provides ongoing business mentorship to ensure the crafting can become a self-sustaining business. Since 2002 over 350 crafters have been supported.



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**Khula Natural Health Clinic** – A busy community health facility in St Lucia, founded in 2017 focusing on Children’s and women’s health, through safe and affordable treatments using homeopathic remedies to complement Western medicine.

**Bonamanzi Conservation Foundation** – manages the day-to-day conservation management and research of the Big 4 Game Reserve. The foundation began in 2012 to re-establish land as a game reserve for wildlife. Wildlife conservation and community development are the foundation’s main objectives. Bonamanzi has an ongoing relationship with Cumbria’s Safari Zoo who are active in helping the reserve with their K9 unit.



## KwaZulu-Natal Community Volunteering Project

St Lucia Estuary is the largest estuarine system in southern Africa it is home to one of the largest free-roaming Hippo populations in South Africa, there are also around 1200 Nile Crocodiles in the area.

Estuary Hippo and Crocodile Tour

A boat tour of the estuary includes the opportunity to witness hippos, Nile crocodiles and many birds of prey. On the banks of the estuary, you can often see buffalo, zebra and antelope.



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## Community Development Activities



ANY QUESTIONS?

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## Example itinerary

Day 1: Travel from the UK to Doha.

Day 2: Onward international flight to Durban, transfer to KwaZulu Natal's Dolphin Coast for your first night stay. After dinner talk on Indukua - Zulu Fighting Stick Culture.

Day 3: After breakfast undertake a volunteering project with LIV Village before an afternoon transfer to Bonamanzi Game Reserve, orientation and dinner.

Day 4: Community outreach with Project Rhino, then undertake a creche refurbishment project. After dinner a talk on Zulu Culture by Project Rhino.

Day 5: Early morning bush walk with track and signs, after breakfast head out to the creche refurbishment. After dinner a presentation by Move Africa

Day 6: Visit a school with Move Africa. After lunch, a Zulu arts and craft workshop with Woza Moya. Dinner and a talk by Woza Moya on empowering local craftsmen

Day 7: Anti-Poaching and K9 demonstration. Afternoon at leisure relaxing by the pool followed by a braai by the lake.

Day 8: Anti-poaching snare sweep and anti-poaching boat trip with safari drive.

Day 9: Work with Right to Sight Outreach in the community supporting Ugogos. After dinner night drive and animal tracking.

Day 10: After breakfast undertake a ball skills workshop with local children through the Early Childhood Development project. Afternoon safari drive. Make you own Potjie for dinner.

Day 11: Early morning safari drive to Hluhluwe iMfolozi Park - the oldest proclaimed nature reserve in Africa. Afternoon at leisure relaxing by the pool.

Day 12: Spend the morning undertaking reserve management work at Bonamanzi before an afternoon bush walk.

Day 13: Spend the day at a Community School Eco-Club Project followed by an afternoon to relax and pack.

Day 14: Transfer to St Lucia (45min), with a tour of the craft markets and town in the afternoon, followed by a Hippo and Crocodile estuary sunset boat tour

Day 15: After breakfast spend the day at a local orphanage.

Day 16: Explore the local natural health clinic with a talk and tour of the facility, the afternoon is time to relax at the beach.

Day 17: Depart St Lucia to Durban for your flight to Johannesburg and your onward return flight to Doha and then Manchester.

Day 18: Arrive back in the UK For your transfer back to college.

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



# ACCOMMODATION & LIFESTYLE

Life in Africa



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## Dolphin Holiday Resort – Ballito (First Night)

Your first night stay is at the Dolphin Holiday Resort. You will be accommodated in twin rooms, with access to ensuite facilities.

The resort is situated in the heart of KwaZulu Natal's Dolphin Coast and within 100 metres of Willard's beach in Ballito.

You will be provided with dinner and breakfast.



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## Nyala Lodge– Bonamanzi

Chalet style accommodation is provided during your time in Bonamanzi Game Reserve. You will be accommodated in twin or triple rooms. There are three shared bathroom with a shower, toilet and basin.

The open-plan lounge and dining area provide a cozy space to unwind, while the covered veranda, with a large dining table and built-in braai, is ideal for outdoor gatherings. On one evening a Potjie competition will be held so everyone gets involved!

There isn't a washing machine, but clothes can be hand washed.



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## Shonalanga Accommodation – St Lucia

Guest House style accommodation is provided during your time in St Lucia.

You will be accommodated in twin rooms with ensuite facilities.

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

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



## Food at the Project

Three meals are provided a day prepared by the kitchen staff.

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.

## 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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# USEFUL INFORMATION

Inclusions/Exclusions &  
Recommended Kit List

# WHAT'S INCLUDED

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## What is Included?

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

\* Provided by the college – please confirm with your college the details of the insurance provided.

## 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 (especially during summer months)
- 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
- Socks
- Hat for sun protection / Warm hat (winter only)
- Gloves for warmth (winter only)
- Changes of casual clothes for evenings
- Underwear
- Swimming Towel
- Swimwear
- Sunscreen and Sunglasses
- Sandals/comfy shoes to wear after work hours
- Toiletries
- Tick/insect repellent
- Personal medical items and First Aid Kit
- Water bottle

### Other useful items:

- Camera
- Power Bank
- Mammal/bird book
- Notebook/diary and pen
- Binoculars

\* All work clothes should be neutral or earth tones. **No** skimpy/revealing or brightly-coloured clothing.



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