



# BISHOP BURTON COLLEGE PROJECT PRESENTATION



## KwaZulu-Natal Agriculture and Conservation Research

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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 50 Colleges and Universities around the UK
- A small dedicated team in the UK and South Africa





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# KWAZULU-NATAL PROJECT OVERVIEW

Overview and location  
of the project

# ABOUT THE PROJECT

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## Your Agriculture and Conservation Field Trip Explained

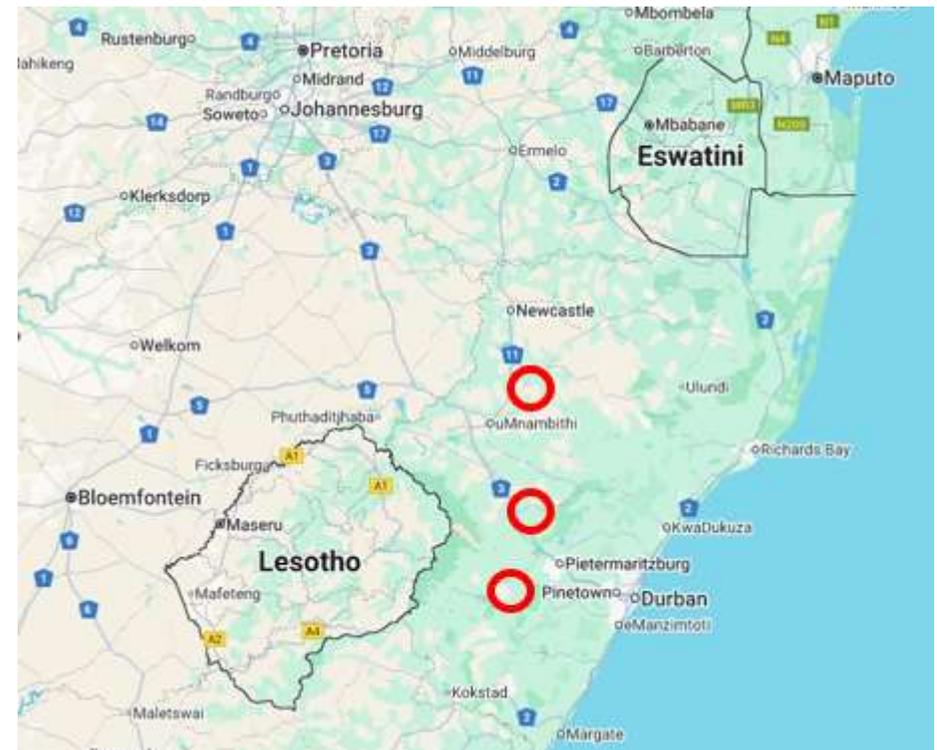
- A unique academic agriculture and conservation experience based in South Africa
- Live and work in the wilds of Africa
- The opportunity to experience hands on conservation agriculture and wildlife conservation and bespoke, tailor-made projects to suit research requirements
- Project Activities include:
  - Conservation Agriculture Activities
  - Pioneering Conservation Research
  - Community Project
- Full 10 nights in South Africa
- The most incredible agriculture and conservation experience you will ever have

# ABOUT KWAZULU-NATAL

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## Baynesfield Estate – Richmond

- A thriving, diversified, and integrated farming operation, near the town of Pietermaritzburg.
- The estate boasts a range of interconnected agricultural enterprises that highlight sustainable farming practices and innovation.
- The estate's beef operation includes an 800-cow Beefmaster herd, and has avocado orchards spanning 200 hectares, yielding approximately 1.7 million kilograms of avocados annually.
- Farm Estate Accommodation

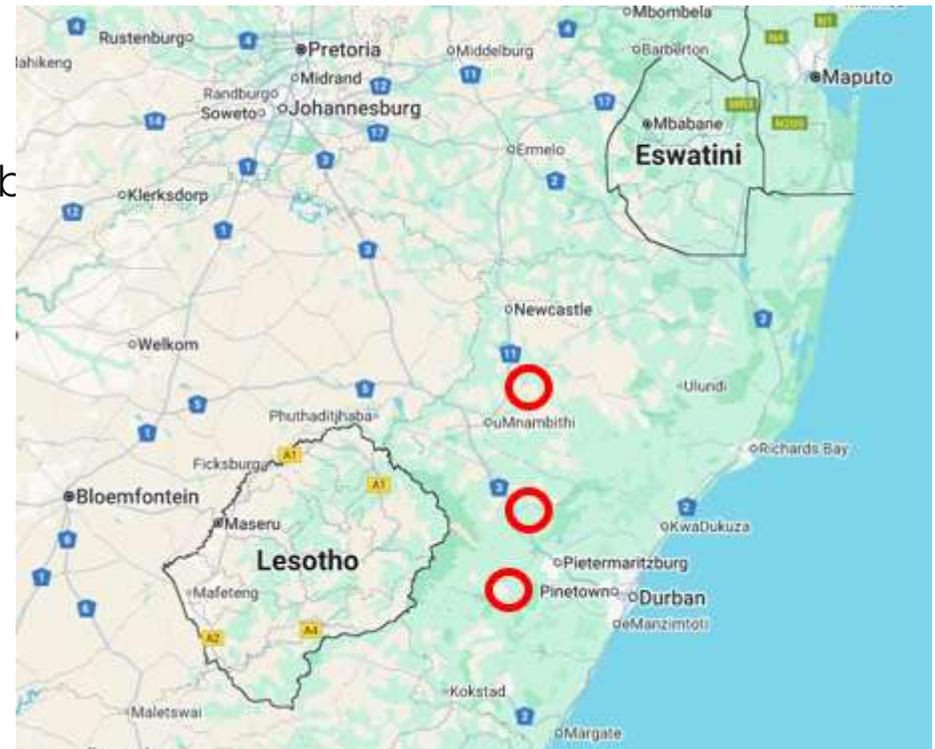


# ABOUT KWAZULU-NATAL

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## Nambiti Game Reserve

- Magnificent 23,000 acres of unspoiled wilderness boasting the Big 5
- Incredible biodiversity (grasslands, riverine bush, savannah and thornveld) offering unprecedented diversity of wildlife.
- Home to the Big 5
- Over to over 40 other game species besides the k
- Work alongside the conservation team
- Located in a Malaria free zone
- Research Camp Accommodation

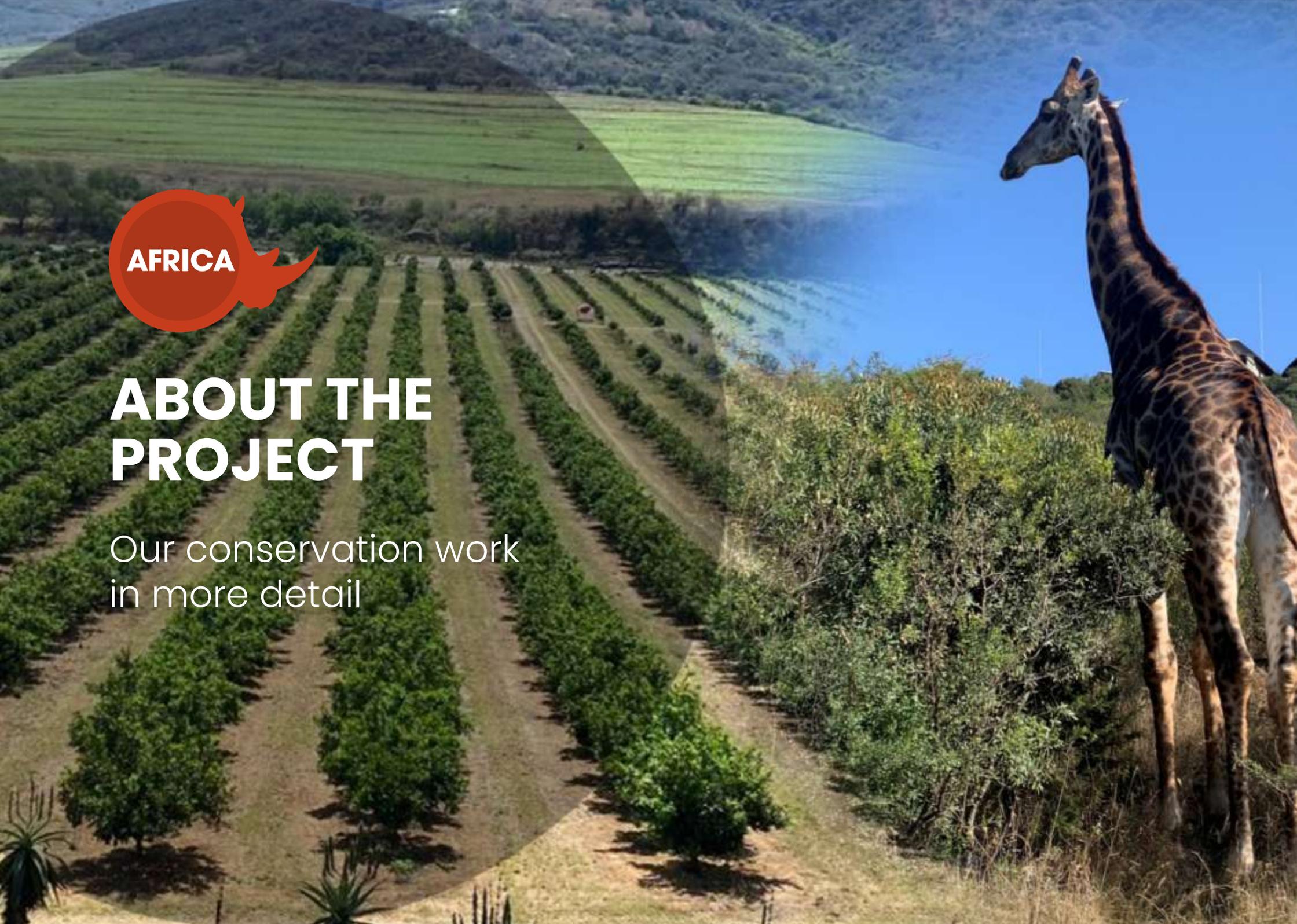


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## Project Location





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# ABOUT THE PROJECT

Our conservation work  
in more detail

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## KwaZulu-Natal Agriculture and Conservation Research

Our academic team and qualified rangers at the KwaZulu-Natal Conservation and Agriculture Research 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-night academic module split between three locations.



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

The project split and duration are as follows:

### 10 Night Itinerary

#### 6 Nights

Baynesfield Estate, Richmond Agriculture and Conservation Activities

#### 2 Nights

The Old Mushroom Farm, Howick Agriculture Tour

#### 2 Nights

Nambiti Big 5 Conservation Research

A giraffe stands in the foreground on the right, looking towards the left. The background features a vast landscape with a vineyard in the middle ground, rolling green hills, and a blue sky. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

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# 8 Nights at Baynesfield Estate and The Old Mushroom Farm

Agriculture and Conservation  
Research

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## Baynesfield Estate, Richmond and The Old Mushroom Farm, Howick (8 Nights)

**Baynesfield Estate** is a large, historic, and working agricultural estate in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. It was established by Joseph Baynes in the late 19th century and is now a diverse farming operation, including agricultural research.

The Old Mushroom Farm in **Howick** was once a working mushroom farm, now transformed into a unique lifestyle destination.



## Agriculture Visits and Research Projects

**Avocado Heritage Farm**– Set on a South African heritage site, this internationally acclaimed avocado farm exports high-quality fruit to Europe and practices award-winning sustainable farming. You will be introduced to:

- Innovative pruning techniques and tree manipulation methods to enhance yield
- The use of manmade windbreaks for fruit quality improvement
- On-site compost production and application for soil health
- Global standards of sustainable agriculture

**Community Agriculture Project**– You will be involved in developing this Agri-village on an existing 900 ha commercial farm. Projects include:

- Education & training for the community (teaching children vital farming skills)
- Food security – vegetable gardens
- Commercial nursery – protect threatened habitat (Cape Parrot Project)
- Crops & livestock



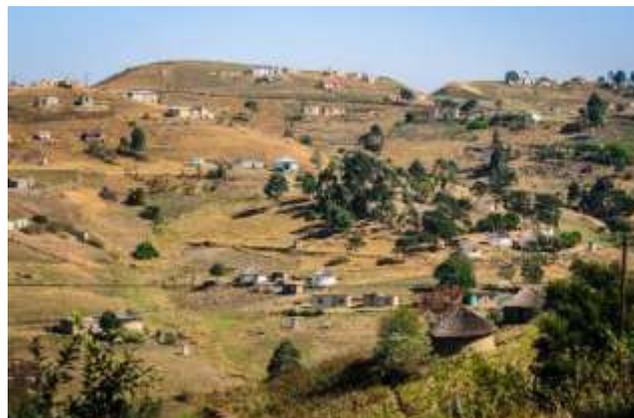
## Agriculture Visits and Research Projects

**Commercial Dairy Farm**– You will be introduced to:

- Herd runs with vet
- AI Presentation and practical
- Pasture walks, plate metre checks on dry matter content and impact of fertiliser regimes on pastures

**Local Farm Visits, Howick.** You will have guided tours of local:

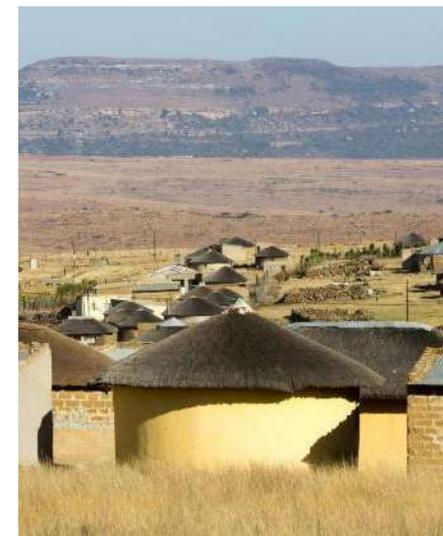
- Dairy Farms
- Cheese Farms
- Organic Farms

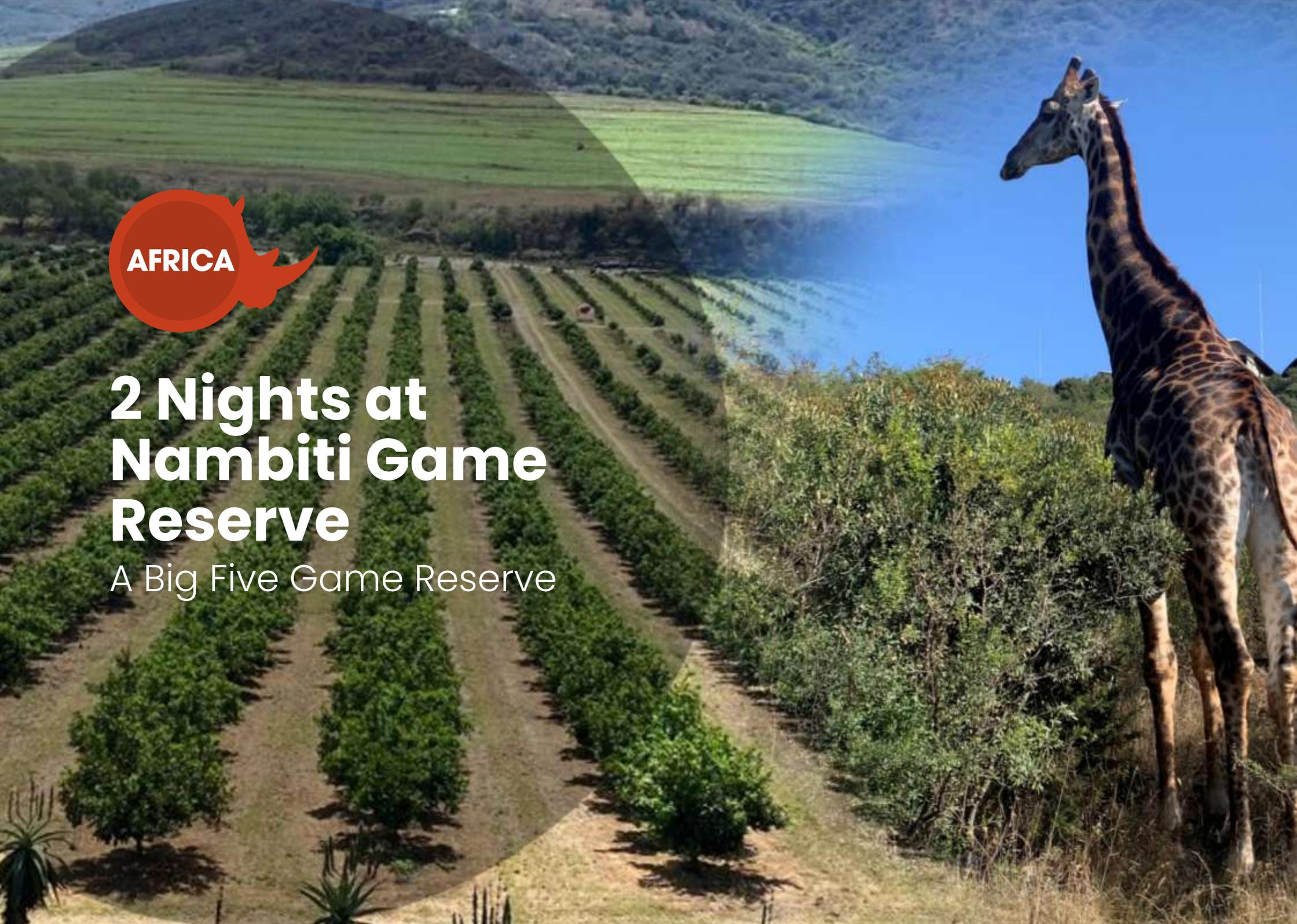


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## Local Farming Practice



A giraffe stands on a grassy hill in the foreground, looking towards the left. The background features a valley with rows of young trees, a blue lake, and rolling hills under a clear blue sky.

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# 2 Nights at Nambiti Game Reserve

A Big Five Game Reserve

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## Nambiti Game Reserve

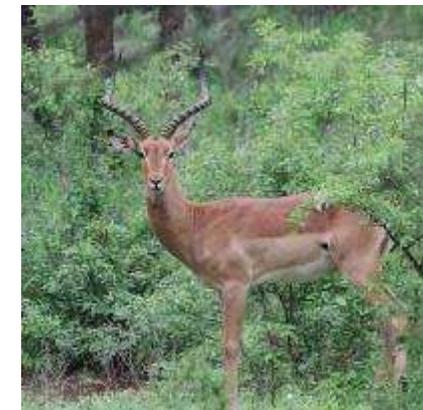
**Nambiti Game Reserve** is a magnificent 23,000 acres of unspoiled wilderness boasting the Big 5 and incredible biodiversity (grasslands, riverine bush, savannah and thornveld) offering an unprecedented diversity of wildlife.



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Home to over 40 Species of Mammal



# NAMBITI GAME RESERVE

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## Big Five Game Drive



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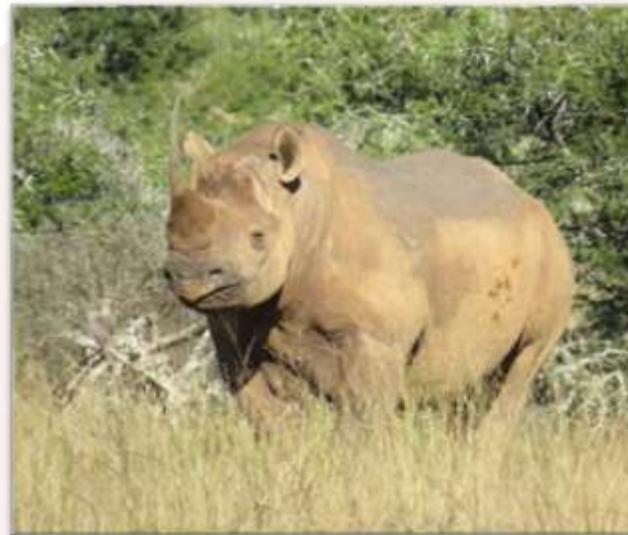
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# NAMBITI GAME RESERVE

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## Rhino Monitoring – Awareness and Anti-Poaching



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# NAMBITI GAME RESERVE

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## Night Game Drive



A giraffe stands on the right side of the frame, looking towards the left. The background features a savanna landscape with rolling green hills and a clear blue sky. In the foreground, there is a vineyard with rows of young grapevines. A semi-transparent orange circle with a flame-like shape on the right side is positioned on the left side of the image.

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# **ACCOMMODATION & LIFESTYLE**

Life in the African Bush

# ACCOMMODATION & LIFESTYLE

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## Baynesfield Estate– Richmond

Escape to tranquility at Baynesfield Retreat. Guests can take full advantage of all amenities, including access to a private dam, and exploring scenic walking trails.

Accommodation is in lodges with access to shared hot and cold showers with regular flushing toilets.



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## Baynesfield - Richmond



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## Old Mushroom Farm – Howick

A unique farm-stay in the heart of the KZN Midlands countryside. The original farm buildings have been renovated into modern self-catering units.

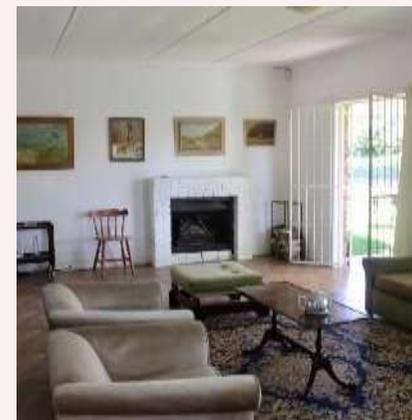
Accommodated in self-contained houses/cottages, each with hot and cold showers, regular flushing toilets and an equipped kitchen.



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## The Old Mushroom Farm – Howick



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## Game Reserve Camp – Nambiti

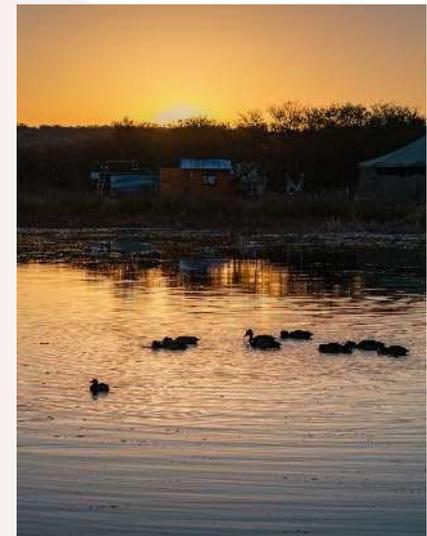
Groups are accommodated on the reserve in shared safari tents, with communal hot and cold showers and regular flushing toilets.



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## Game Reserve Camp – Nambiti



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## Food at the Project

**Baynesfield Estate** - All meals are fully-catered. Students are expected to clear up after meals.

**Old Mushroom Farm** - All meals are fully-catered. Students are expected clear up after meals. Fresh produce will be harvested from the community garden.

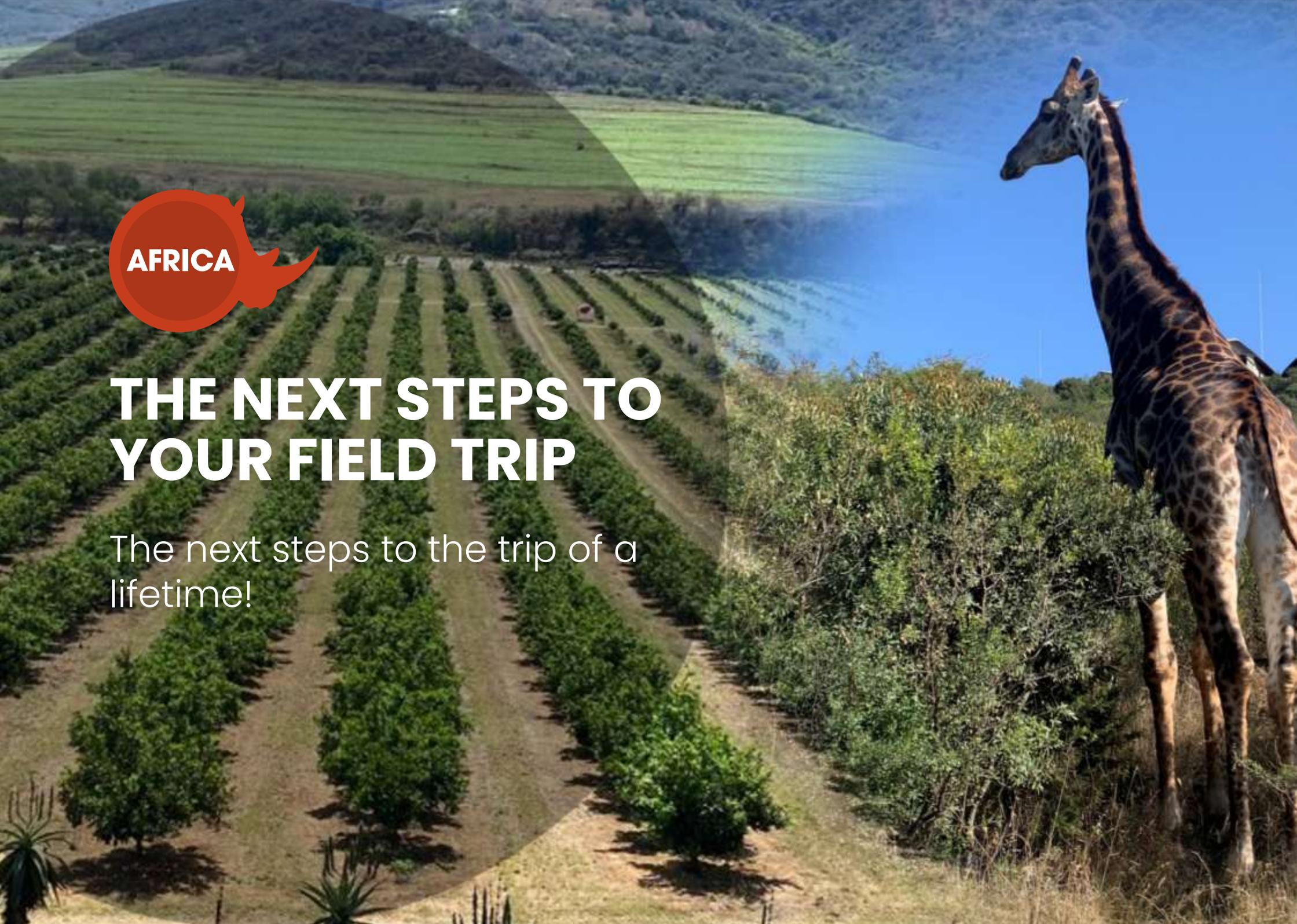
**Nambiti** - All meals are provided in a communal dining area. Students are expected to help clear up after meals.

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.

## 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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# THE NEXT STEPS TO YOUR FIELD TRIP

The next steps to the trip of a  
lifetime!

# WHAT'S INCLUDED

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## 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 the project
- Any activities not specified as part of the project
- Visas/travel documents
- Tips

\* We recommend that you take out personal travel insurance as soon as your booking is confirmed.



# THE NEXT STEPS

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## Project dates & key deadlines

### Confirmed trip dates:

Depart UK: 30 May 2026 | Arrive SA: 31 May 2026

Depart SA: 10 June 2026 | Arrive UK: 11 June 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 01/12/2025
- Deposit payment, £300.00 by 14/12/2025
- 50% instalment payment of £1247.50 to be paid by 08/02/2026
- Balance payment of £1247.50 to be paid by 05/04/2026
- 17/05/2026 e-Tickets & final documents will be issued

# BOOKING YOUR ADVENTURE

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## Booking Form

- Please submit by 01/12/2025
- 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

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### BOOKING FORM

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

Title \*

Name \*

Date of birth \*

Address \*

Telephone \*

Mobile \*

Email 1 \*

Email 2 \*

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

Passport no.

Passport Issue Date



# BOOKING YOUR ADVENTURE

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## Group Web Page

<https://gapafricaprojects.com/26-4823-bba/>



## Booking Form

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**BOOKING FORM**

Your Global Adventure Starts here!

Please use the form below to submit your provisional booking to your selected project. You have the option to pay your initial deposit with the submission of your booking form, or we will contact you for payment once your project placement has been secured.

If you'd like 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.

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Title \*

Name \*

Date of birth \*

Address \*

## 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 many 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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