



BISHOP BURTON COLLEGE Q&A PRESENTATION



KwaZulu-Natal Conservation Field Trip

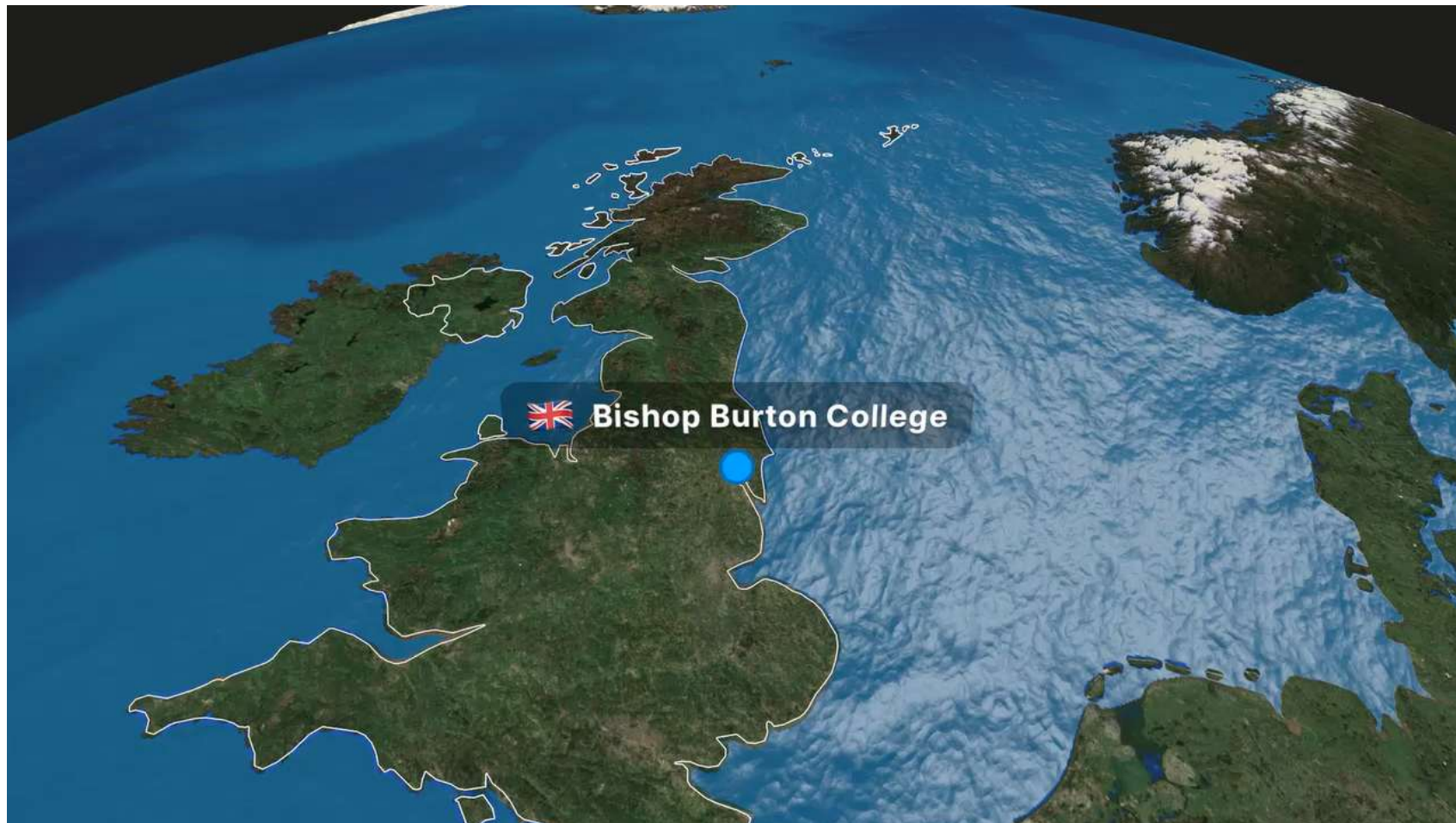
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Project Location





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ABOUT KWAZULU-NATAL

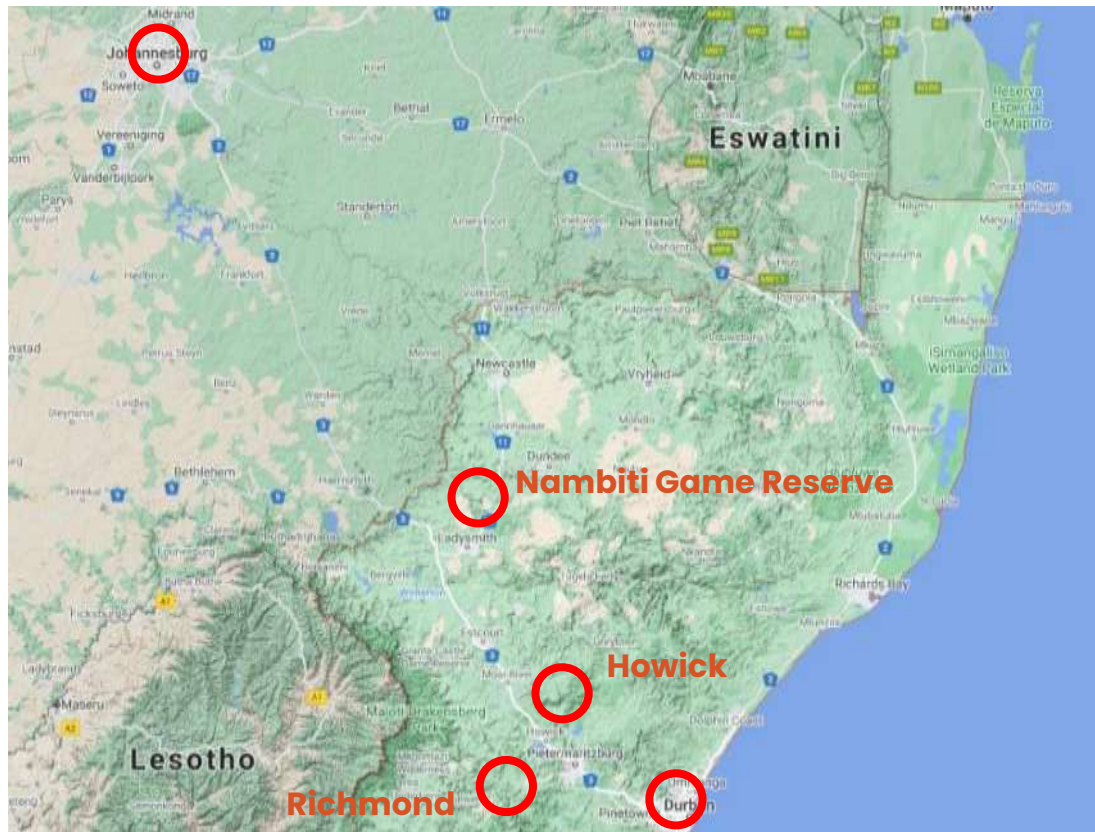
Overview and location
of the project

ABOUT KWAZULU-NATAL

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KwaZulu-Natal Agriculture and Conservation Research – Location

- South Africa a world leader in conservation
- Malaria free KwaZulu-Natal



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KwaZulu-Natal Agriculture and Conservation Research

Richmond and Howick (8 Nights)

You will have a diverse and rich experience of visits, talks and community projects in both the Richmond and Howick area. There will be some time to enjoy a walk in the Umgeni Valley Nature Reserve and to experience the Karkloof Canopy Tour (optional).

Nambiti Game Reserve (2 Nights)

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



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Your Agriculture and Conservation Programme – Richmond & Howick

Visiting local farms, as well as spending time at a community agriculture project, students will be introduced to the following:

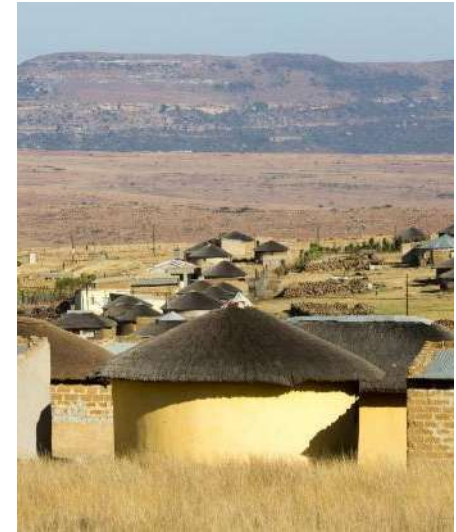
- Innovative pruning techniques and tree manipulation methods to enhance yield
- The use of manmade windbreaks for fruit quality improvement
- On-site compost production and application for soil health
- Global standards of sustainable agriculture
- Education & training for the community
- Food security – vegetable gardens
- Crops & livestock
- Herd runs
- Pasture walks



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Local Farming Practice



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Your Conservation Programme – Nambiti

Students will be taught and work alongside the field guides and conservation team. The following examples depict the day-to-day activities that may be undertaken as part of the project at Nambiti.

- Alien Vegetation Control / Reserve Maintenance
- Use of Telemetry Tracking
- Elephant Monitoring / Population Study
- Rhino Monitoring – Awareness
- Anti-poaching talk and fence walk
- Night Drives
- Bush Walk
- Tracks, Signs and Spoor
- Community Development



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Nambiti Game Reserve

Home to the Big 5



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ACCOMMODATION & LIFESTYLE

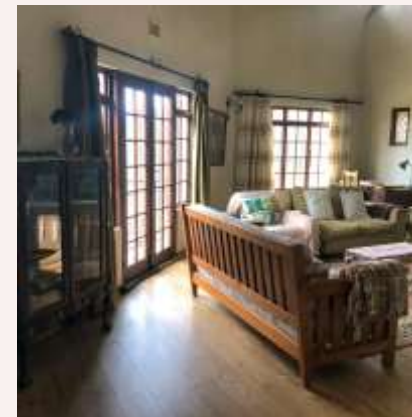
Life in the African Bush

Riverbend Country Home – Richmond

Escape to tranquility at Riverbend Country Home, a farmhouse located in the picturesque countryside of Byrne Valley.

Accommodation is in twin, triple or a 7 bedded dorm with access to three bathrooms with a bath, shower and toilet.

There is a lounge and an outside area, which an outdoor firepit.



uMngeni Valley Nature Reserve – Howick

A unique and relaxing stay in a patch of paradise – where you wake to birdsong and might spot zebra to the chalets' verandas.

Accommodated in self-contained chalets that sleep 2-3 and include an en-suite bathroom and kitchen.



Game Reserve Camps - Nambiti

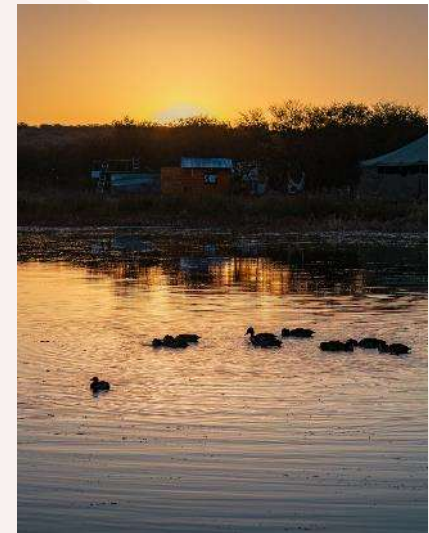
In keeping with the Safari Adventure theme, groups are accommodated on the reserve in shared comfortable safari tents, with communal hot and cold showers and regular flushing toilets.



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Game Reserve Camps – Nambiti



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Food at the Project

Riverbend Country Home– All meals are fully-catered. Students are expected to clear up after meals.

uMngeni Valley Nature Reserve – All meals are fully-catered.

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.



Sample Menu

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
Scrambled eggs, savoury beans or mince or bacon toast (jam, peanut butter)	Yoghurts, muesli, cereal, fruit	Pancakes, banana, fruit	Oatmeal porridge, fruit, toast & jam	French toast (Eggy bread)
Quiche & salad	Macaroni cheese	Soup & homemade bread	Hotdogs	Braai broodjies (tomato, cheese, onion toasties on open fire)
Nachos (vegan or mince)	Beef stew & rice	Braai (barbeque) with salad	Chicken ala King & rice	Chickpea curry mild

We must know of any dietary requirements and allergies at least 6 weeks before departure.



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ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES & EXCURSIONS

Your free time on the project

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Optional Activity

Karkloof Canopy Tour – For those seeking an additional thrill, this offers an exhilarating zip-line adventure through one of South Africa's oldest indigenous mist-belt forests. You will glide between platforms suspended high among the ancient trees, enjoying breathtaking aerial views of the forest canopy and surrounding valleys. It's an unforgettable blend of adventure, education, and natural beauty that perfectly complements the horseback experience.

The trip is weather dependent.

Price is around R895pp.

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.

Activities are booked at the project and paid locally (cash or card)





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PRE DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Travel details

Departure from the United Kingdom | Arrival to South Africa

Coach

Meet at the bus terminal at 11.30 coach departs at 12.00

Flights

Flight No	Flight Date	Dept.	Dept. Time	Arr.	Arr. Time
VS449	30/05/2026	London Heathrow (LHR)	20:50	Johannesburg (JNB)	08:50 + 1 Day
FA669	31/05/2026	Johannesburg (JNB)	13:30	King Shaka Int: Durban (DUR)	14:40

*Always check the flight timings on your final documents

Baggage Allowance – 1 piece checked baggage @ 20kgs, 1 piece hand baggage max dimensions 56x36x23cm

Johannesburg OR Tambo Airport

Clear immigration & collect baggage to clear customs.

Meet GAP representative by the statue in the arrivals hall who will assist with your transfer.

Durban Airport

Meet and Greet at Durban Arrivals Hall
Transfer to Richmond (2 hours).



Cabin Baggage



Rucksack (not trolley suitcase)
No larger than 56x36x23cm

Hold Baggage



One piece maximum 20kg

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

Departure from South Africa | Arrival to the United Kingdom

Flights

Flight No	Flight Date	Dept.	Dept. Time	Arr.	Arr. Time
VS450	10/06/2026	Johannesburg (JNB)	20:25	London Heathrow (LHR)	06:30 + 1 Day

*Always check the flight timings on your final documents

Baggage Allowance – 1 piece checked baggage @ 20kgs, 1 piece hand baggage max dimensions 56x36x23cm

Return Journey

Transfer from Nambiti Game Reserve.
Check in at the Virgin Atlantic check-in desk





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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.

- Wellington boots (long or short for travel Jan – April)
- 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 (Jun – Aug) – pack plenty
- Padded jacket/windbreaker (Jun – Aug) although it can get very cold on an open vehicle
- Socks and Underwear
- Change of casual clothes for evenings
- Sandals / comfy shoes to wear after work hours
- Warm hat (Jun – Aug / Hat for sun protection (all year)
- Gloves for warmth (Jun –Aug)
- Working gloves
- Daypack rucksack
- Micro-fibre sleeping bag liner (extra warmth Jun –Aug)
- Swimwear
- Beach Towel (micro-fibre takes less space)
- Sunscreen and Sunglasses
- Personal medical items
- First aid kit
- Toiletries
- Tick / Insect repellent
- Water bottle
- Binoculars
- Good torch (headlamp/torch is best)

Other useful items:

- Camera
- Power bank
- Water shoes

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

First Aid Kit

It is strongly advisable that you pack your own mini first-aid kit of everyday essentials. This should include:

- Paracetamol / Ibuprofen (or equivalent)
- Antihistamines (eases a reaction to any bites or stings)
- Antiseptic cream (e.g. Savlon/Germolene/Sudocrem)
- Bite and sting cream
- Plasters
- Imodium (anti-diarrheal medication)
- Dioralyte (fast-acting oral rehydration treatment designed to replace fluids and body salts (electrolytes) lost during diarrhoea or vomiting)
- Tick remover



Practical Advice

Power / Electricity

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



There is no power in your tents at Nambiti

Drinking Water:

Drinking water is available at the project; always make sure you keep hydrated and have packed an insulated water bottle. We recommend taking concentrated squash as the water will taste different from home.



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>

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>

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>

Malaria:

The project is located in a malaria free area.

<http://www.sa-venues.com/malaria-risk-areas.htm>

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.

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Climate

Richmond / Howick

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21° 5°	24° 8°	21° 8°	22° 8°	23° 8°	24° 7°	25° 8°
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
						
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Climate

Nambiti

7	8	9	10	11	12	13
23° 6°	20° 7°	24° 6°	22° 6°	22° 5°	23° 5°	23° 4°

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What To Expect 'Weatherwise' From May To August

Be prepared for the **chilly nights** and crisp mornings during autumn and winter in South Africa.

Staying warm will be key to you enjoying your experience.

As the sun dips, the temperature will drop and can go down to near or below freezing, resulting in frost.

It is recommended that you layer smartly: avoid cotton next to the skin as it traps moisture and makes you colder. Keep spare socks and gloves in a sealed plastic bag to ensure dryness.

If you feel the cold, pack appropriately!



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 in main towns, although local communities only take cash.

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



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

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.

Phones & Internet

Mobile phone coverage is good in both Richmond and Howick but just average at Nambiti, although there may be some areas on the reserve where there isn't any coverage.

Limited Wi-Fi is provided free of charge at the accommodation. 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.

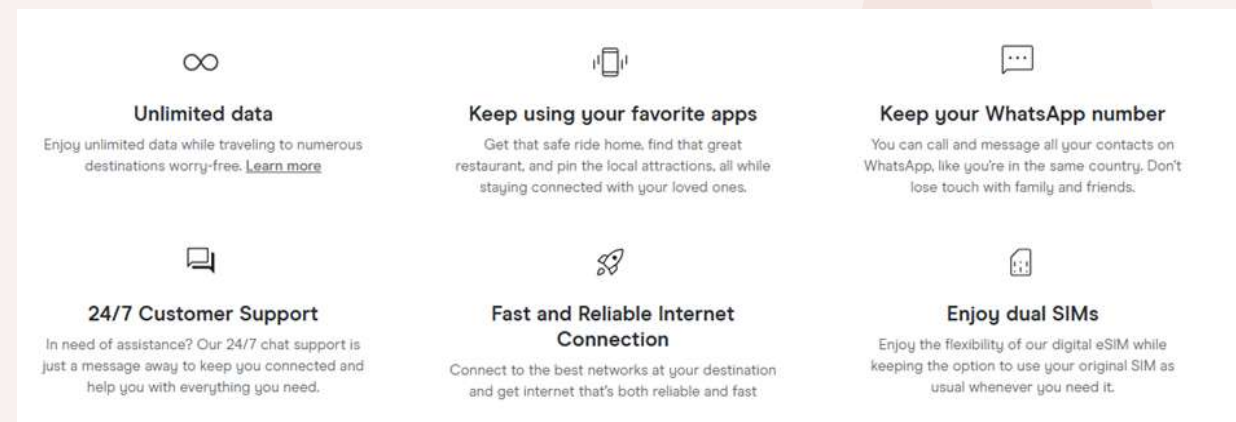
Benefits of an eSIM

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



<https://shorturl.at/sxE29>

Holafly



The infographic features six benefit cards arranged in a 2x3 grid. Each card has an icon at the top, a title, and a short paragraph of text. The icons are: an infinity symbol for unlimited data, a smartphone for favorite apps, a speech bubble for WhatsApp, a chat bubble for customer support, a rocket for internet connection, and a SIM card for dual SIMs.

- 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.

Nambiti Camp Shop

Nambiti has a small camp shop that sells snacks, drinks, souvenirs, local jewellery and clothing.

The shop **ONLY** accepts cash. It is open for 20 mins every two days.

Example prices: Hoodies R500 (£25), T-Shirts R250 (£12), Beanies R150 (£7.50), Necklaces R150 (£7.50), Key Rings R50 (£2.50), Crisps R20-R30 (£1-£1.50), Soft drinks R20 (£1), Chocolate bar R10-R40 (50p-£2)



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.

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To Fit Chest Size	34 inch	36 inch	40 inch	44 inch	48 inch	52 inch	56 inch	60 inch	64 inch



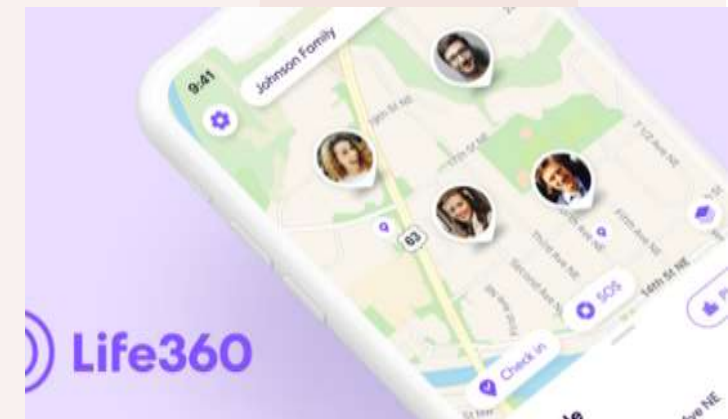
Useful Apps for Next of Kin

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!

Flightrader24 – 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



COMMUNITY DONATION BAGS

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Community GAP Donation Bags

- Reading books and activity books
- Stationery – pencil cases, pens, crayons, colouring pencils, chalk, plain and coloured paper
- Skipping ropes
- Jigsaws, puzzles, playing cards and games
- Sports kit (football kit, boots, shirts, deflated balls, bibs, socks etc)
- Mini fishing nets
- Toothpaste, toothbrushes and facecloths
- Towels
- Recyclable pads for Move Africa donation
- Period pants
- New reading glasses – for the 'Right to sight' campaign
- Sleeping bags



Follow instructions from your college about bringing in one good quality item from the list.

Your tutor can request a donation bag from GAP Africa Projects if space is limited.



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