



SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE COLLEGE Q&A PRESENTATION



Sibuya Conservation Experience

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Sibuya Game Reserve – Location





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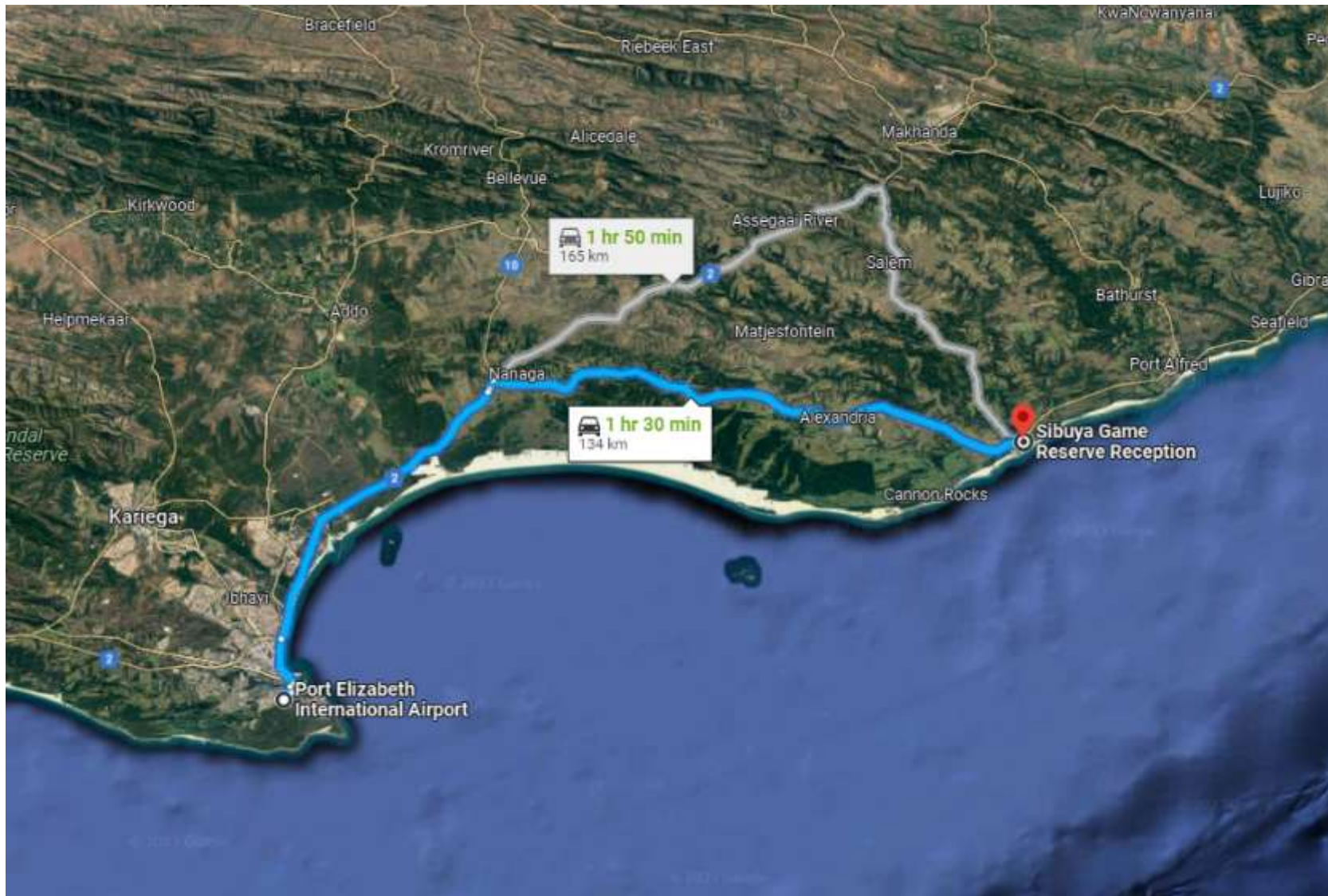
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Project overview and location

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Sibuya Game Reserve Location



Your Conservation Projects

- Lion monitoring
- Elephant monitoring
- Rhino monitoring
- Fencing and Alien Plant clearing
- Community Outreach
- Coastal Dunes and Rocky Shores
- Kayak Expedition 15km
- Insect Identification



Conservation Programme – The Bush

There is so much opportunity in this newly established and expanding reserve. They are in the process of incorporating more land, and 'rewilding' needs to take place, so students are exposed to unique hands-on conservation and monitoring.

Key species monitoring: This involves locating the ecologically significant terrestrial species (**elephant, white rhino, lion**), identifying individuals using identikits and then monitoring their behaviour.

Reserve maintenance: fence and road maintenance as well as alien plant removal are important tasks on the reserve where students will have a chance to be physical and get their hands dirty.

Insect surveys: Tasks include collecting data on insects, reptiles and anything else crawling along the ground. From digging the holes to finding the specimens and identifying them – students will be part of this exciting research.



Conservation Programme – Ocean and Estuary

The unique aspect of this reserve is that it is accessible by boat along the Kariega River and incorporates the river, estuary and ocean – all important contributions to Sibuya’s biodiversity and for which the team have a great responsibility to conserve.

Rocky shores and coastal dunes – Learn about and monitor the coastal marine environment’s biodiversity which includes the largest dunes in the southern hemisphere!

Outreach Project – This takes place with the coastal village’s community and an important aspect is the beach and riverside clean-up.



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Home to the **BIG 5**



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Home to over 45 Species of Mammal





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ACCOMMODATION & LIFESTYLE

Life in the African Bush

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Sibuya – Forest Camp

Together with the team, the group will be accommodated and hosted at Forest Camp.

Happy family vibes.

Participants will share comfortable two to four bedded rooms with en-suite bathrooms, including full board (3 meals a day).



Food at the Project

Three meals a day are provided.

Breakfast will consist of toast and cereals; lunch may include pasta, wraps, sandwiches, salad and hot dogs; 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
Farmhouse breakfast, fruit, cereals, yoghurt	Scones, fruit, cereals, yoghurt	Scrambled eggs and toast, cereals, yoghurt	Flapjacks, fruit, cereals, yoghurt	French toast, fruit, cereals, yoghurt
Build your own sandwiches, Kanubfribs	Chicken strips with bread rolls and salad, Brownies	Hot dogs, cheese grills, green salad, Blondies	Chicken mayo wraps Cupcakes	Pork ribs and chips, green salad and bread Fruit plate
Macaroni cheese and garlic bread, green salad Baked lemon tart	Cottage pie, green salad Pecan nut pie	Braai, potato salad, green salad, corn on the cob	Build a pizza, green salad Amarula caramel cake	Lasagne with green salad Apple crumble

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

TOWN AND BEACH TRIP

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Kenton-on-Sea is home to some of South Africa's most pristine and scenic beaches, where golden sands meet tidal rivers and sheltered lagoons.

Overview

Visit to the small holiday town (Kenton-on-Sea) to do some shopping and visit the beautiful beaches to swim, walk, explore rock pools and soak up the sun.

Enjoy a pizza at the local restaurant (extra cost).

Fee - included in the overall project cost

Included

Professional guide

Comfortable vehicle

Towels, umbrellas etc

Transfers to/from accommodation

Excluded

Curios, tips and extra activities

Lunch (R200)



ADDO ELEPHANT NATIONAL PARK

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Enjoy a full day exploring the densest elephant-populated area in South Africa. With over 600 African elephants you are sure to cross paths on more than one occasion plus the rest of the Big 5 and more.

Overview

After departing from the project, you'll arrive at Addo Elephant National Park and immediately begin searching for wildlife, stopping at hides and waterholes.

From there, you'll head to Main Camp to enjoy a delicious lunch (extra cost), browse for curios, and explore the on-site museum.

Afterward, you'll continue your adventure through the park, soaking in the incredible wildlife sightings, before heading back to Sibuya to conclude an exciting and memorable day.

Fee - included in the overall project cost

Included

Professional qualified guides

Comfortable vehicles

Addo Elephant National Park

Park Entrance fees and conservation fees

Transfers to/from project

Excluded

Curios, tips and extra activities

Lunch, drinks etc R200 estimated cost





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PRE DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Travel details, kit lists and Q&A

FLIGHT INFORMATION

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Departure from the United Kingdom | Arrival to South Africa

Coach Pick Up

Meet at Rodbaston College no later than 13:30 for departure at 13:50

Flights

Flight No	Flight Date	Dept.	Dept. Time	Arr.	Arr. Time
VS449	06/07/2026	London Heathrow (LHR)	20:50	Johannesburg (JNB)	08:50 + 1 Day
TBC	07/07/2026	Johannesburg (JNB)	TBC	Port Elizabeth (PLZ)	TBC

*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.

Port Elizabeth Airport

Meet and Greet at PLZ Arrivals Hall

Transfer to Sibuya Game Reserve



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
TBC	21/07/2026	Port Elizabeth (PLZ)	TBC	Johannesburg (JNB)	TBC
VS450	21/07/2026	Johannesburg (JNB)	20:25	London Heathrow (LHR)	06:30 + 1 Day

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Return Journey

Transfer from Sibuya Game Reserve.
Check in at the FlySafair check-in desk.

Coach Return Journey

Collection from 07:30 for journey back to college



TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

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Travel Documents

- Final Documents Issued 23/06/2026
- Emailed to your personal and/or college email address
- Print and take copies
- Boarding passes issued at the airport
- Passports!

Your e-ticket

Flight Information

Class	Carrier	Flight No.	Class	Carrier	Flight No.	Class	Carrier	Flight No.	Class	Carrier	Flight No.
Y	ET	600	Y	ET	600	Y	ET	600	Y	ET	600

Passenger Details

Passenger Name	Booking Address	Agency Address
WILSON, Christopher	100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100	100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100

Agency Details

Agency Name: GAP Africa Projects
 Agency Address: 100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100
 Agency Phone: +44 (0) 207 193 7819

ATOL Certificate

This confirms that your money is protected by the ATOL scheme and that you can get home if your travel company collapses.

The people named below are the ATOL holders who protect the people named below for the quality of their flights listed below.

Who is protected?
 All UK travel agents

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What is protected?
 The money you pay for your holiday, including your flight, hotel, and other services.

Who is protecting you?
 The ATOL scheme, which is run by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA).

Your protection

1. You can get your money back if your travel company goes bust.
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Travel Balance

Item	Amount
Flight	£1200.00
Accommodation	£800.00
Other	£249.00
Total	£2249.00

Group Web Page & Travel Documents

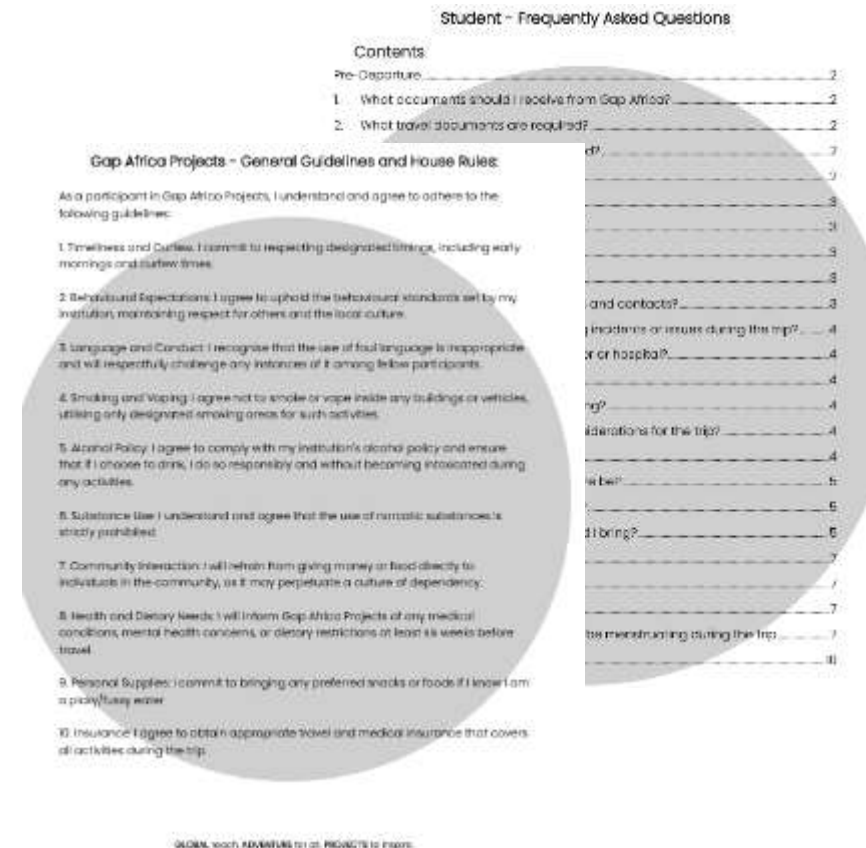
FAQs and House Rules

📄 Student Frequently Asked Questions - Click to Download

📄 Student Guidelines and House Rules - Click to Download



<https://gapafricaprojects.com/26-4800/>





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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
- Swimwear
- Beach towel
- Sunscreen and Sunglasses
- Personal medical items
- First aid kit
- Toiletries
- Tick / Insect repellent
- Water bottle
- Binoculars

Other useful items:

- Camera
- Power bank
- Good torch

* 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.



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

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20° 11°	22° 10°	22° 12°	23° 10°	23° 12°	21° 13°	23° 12°
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
						
24° 13°	23° 14°	24° 13°	23° 13°	24° 12°	24° 11°	22° 10°
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
						
20° 9°	20° 11°	20° 13°	22° 13°	23° 12°	23° 14°	Hist. Avg. 20° 9°

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 at Sibuya, although there may be some areas on the reserve where there isn't any coverage.

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



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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.

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



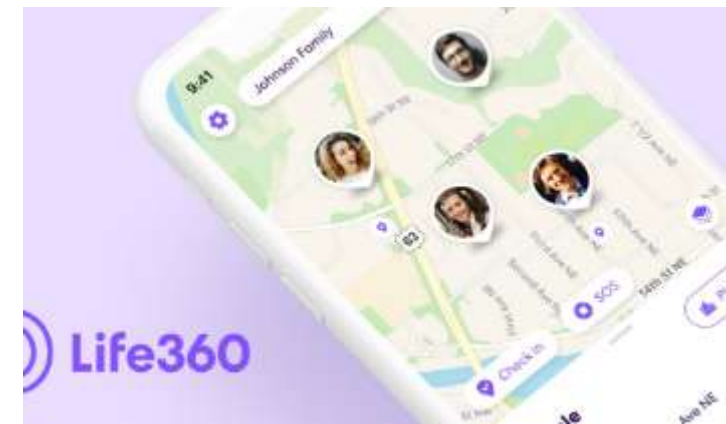
Useful Apps for Next of Kin

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



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)
- Toothpaste, toothbrushes and facecloths
- Towels
- New reading glasses
- Recyclable period pads and period pants



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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