



## YOUTH 4 CONSERVATION

CONNECTING YOUTH TO NATURE

### Experience an adventure with **IMPACT**

Join us for an experience of a lifetime and volunteer in a true wilderness area in the central Tuli Block in Botswana!

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BOTSWANA

Conservation Volunteering



# ACTIVITIES

You will be immersed in the real magic of Africa - with its vast landscapes and indigenous wildlife.

Experience nature at its best and directly contribute to the conservation objectives of this wilderness area.

## RESEARCH

Contribute to a greater understanding of this wilderness area by conducting mammal and bird surveys, learning about the migration of different species at different times of the year, and building knowledge about resident individuals and herds (such as developing elephant identikitits).

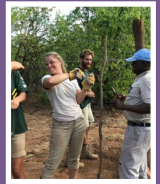
Monitor camera traps and document nocturnal activities. All of this data feeds into the broader management planning of the area and contributes to the ultimate goal of a larger conservation area.



## CONSERVATION PROJECTS

Activities are undertaken that reflect the conservation needs at the time, and will depend on climate, time of the year and circumstances. Common activities include fence repair, building and maintaining waterholes, soil erosion control, collecting wire snares, building and maintaining roads and many other local projects.

All of these initiatives are important and necessary for protecting and maintaining the wilderness area.

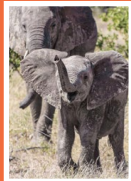


## WILDLIFE

Integral to being in a wilderness area is the opportunity to observe wildlife. This is the animals' home and whether you are in a game-vehicle, walking in the bush, sitting at a waterhole or sleeping under the stars, you will see and hear their presence.

Be it the call of a leopard at night, or the trumpeting of elephants mid-morning, these are sights and sounds that you will never forget.

The Tuli Block is home to herds of elephant, zebra, wildebeest and other plains game, as well as predators such as lion, leopard, wild dog and hyena.



## SLEEP-OUTS

A highlight of every experience is a sleep-out under Africa's starlit sky.

This is when you truly feel the vastness of the universe as you witness a Botswana sunset overlooking the plains and fall asleep under the huge African sky.

Taking turns to watch the fire and listening to the sounds of nearby creatures is all part of this exciting adventure.



## DISCOVER

Learn how to identify both big and small species living in the African bush, appreciating their individual importance in the broader ecosystem.

Embark on spoor identification (animal tracks), and if the conditions are right, take home a cast for a special memory of your adventure. Participate in a conservation debate, learn about bird identification and simply take in the silence and vastness of the surrounding landscapes.

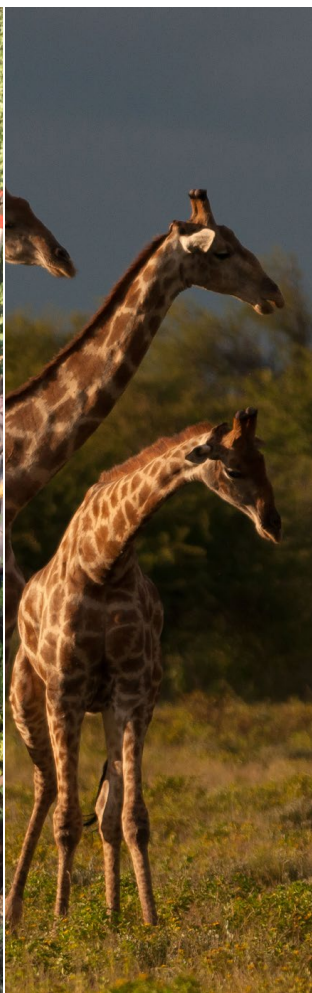




RESEARCH



CONSERVATION PROJECTS



WILDLIFE



SLEEP-OUTS



DISCOVER

## BORDER REQUIREMENTS

All participants will require a passport that is valid for at least six months from date of entry.

Anyone under the age of 18 requires an Unabridged Birth Certificate and Parent Consent Form. Y4C will provide assistance with the required documentation. Those with a foreign passport will also need to investigate visa requirements.

## TRAVEL

Flights from main centres (for example, Cape Town and Durban) will be organised to Lanseria airport. Land transfers from Lanseria (or within Johannesburg if arranged in advance) are approximately six hours to the Platjan border.

The Botswana team will collect participants from the border in their game-drive vehicles for the remaining journey to the camp.

If you are located outside of a main centre, contact us to discuss travel arrangements.

## SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS

Special diets are catered for whenever possible. However, due to the remoteness of the location, some food substitutes may need to be brought from home, or a supplemental charge may be requested. This can be discussed further at booking.

## PACKING LIST

This will be provided at the time of booking to assist with the dilemma of what to bring. Clothes are climate dependent but the general rule is 'keep it neutral'. You will be working in the bush so it is best to blend in!

## ELECTRICITY

There is no electricity at the camp, but there are solar-powered lights and a charging station that can be used to charge camera batteries and other essentials.

## HEALTH AND MEDICAL

While malaria is considered low risk in the Tuli Block, all participants are required to obtain their own medical advice in terms of malaria prophylaxis and vaccinations. All participants are also required to have medical insurance in the case of an emergency.

## ADDITIONAL INFO



## ITINERARY

A sample 10-day itinerary can be sent to you upon request. A typical programme will include a range of research and conservation projects that provide a comprehensive wilderness experience. It is important to note that the itinerary is flexible and can be adapted to a particular group's interests and needs. For example, one particular school group may be interested in conducting research activities that can later be incorporated into a school project.

The opportunities are endless and our conservation experts are more than happy to work together with you to build an unforgettable experience.

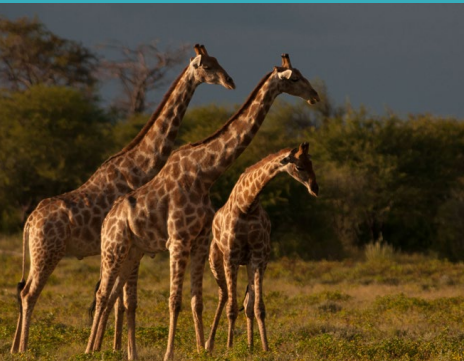
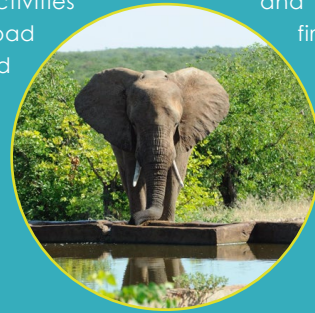
## A TYPICAL DAY

Your daily adventure will include about six hours of volunteer work, split between early morning and late afternoon activities (in order to avoid the midday heat). Lunch and early afternoons are spent at your leisure, reading, relaxing, playing games or having a siesta! For those enthusiasts who require less 'down-time', there are always activities to do around camp (like download camera trap data, identify spoor and photograph birds and insects for identikit).

Late afternoons often end with a beautiful sunset on a rocky outcrop and if the weather permits, the night sky is enjoyed around a campfire.

## CAMP LIFE

A fully equipped tented camp is home away from home. There are 2-6 person walk-in safari tents with bunk beds, sheets and pillows. Ablutions are shared, with hot and cold showers and flush toilets. There is a common area for eating, relaxing and reading and a beautiful boma for fireside evenings. The kitchen is equipped with gas appliances and all meals are provided. Pizza nights are a highlight with the home-made pizza oven!



# OBJECTIVES & IMPACT

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This volunteer programme is located in the Central Tuli Block region. Historically a mixed-use area, much of the land was farmed or hunted until a group of private conservationists came together to re-wild the area and return it to its natural ecological state.

This region has now become a sanctuary for wildlife with vast areas of wilderness protected and home to a range of Africa's iconic species, such as lion, cheetah, leopard, hyena, zebra, giraffe and elephant. There are also many antelope species and hundreds of birds. With large tracts of land unfenced in this area, it provides an important space for migrating wildlife species.

The key objective of this programme is to provide an authentic wilderness experience for youth, while also working towards the conservation objectives of the area.

Our ultimate goal is to partner with adjacent protected areas, game reserves and national parks to take down fences and create an even larger protected area for the benefit of biodiversity in Southern Africa.



# WHY US?

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We specialise in high schools, youth groups, small groups of individuals and families'.

We only partner with conservation programmes that aim to achieve sustained positive impacts on the ground.

We provide authentic 'hands-on' multi-day experiences, organised from start to finish.



# OUR EXPERIENCES

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At Youth 4 Conservation, we are passionate about supporting meaningful conservation work and exposing school groups and young adults to life-changing experiences.

We work with:

- high school groups (between 6-16 participants)
- small groups of youth travelling independently
- individual young adults
- families

# RATES

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Refer to [our website](#) or contact us directly for the rates for our different experiences.

In order to promote African conservation adventures to local youth, we offer special rates to SADC residents (Southern African Development Community).

Rates for school groups include all travel costs, whereas travel costs are quoted separately for international volunteers.



# WHAT'S INCLUDED?

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- All local travel & transfers (for school groups only)
- Accommodation (2-6 person safari tents)
- All meals
- All activities
- Game drives
- Bird identification & conservation debate workshops
- Volunteer certificate to add to your CV or resume
- Branded peak hat
- In-country support

# WHAT'S EXCLUDED?

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- All flights and transfers for international volunteers. Travel insurance (including medical and cancellation)
- Visas (if required)
- Items of a personal nature (snacks, lunches on excursions, SIM card, etc)



# VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCES

## THANK YOU FOR A LIFE CHANGING EXPERIENCE

"What did this [experience] do for me? I grew. It brought out the best in me, gave me direction, confirmed what I believe in. Thank you for a life changing experience"  
- Silas (17 years)

## AN INSPIRING AND HUMBLING EXPERIENCE

"I found Botswana an inspiring and humbling experience. To work hard for an impactful goal and to share it with a such a fantastic group of likeminded people was beyond rewarding." - Laina (17 years)



## COMPLETELY EXCEEDED MY EXPECTATIONS

"The Youth4Conservation camp completely exceeded my expectations...I would LOVE my son to return – next year or the year after! If he doesn't, I will!"  
- Parent

## THIS EXPERIENCE IS A GENUINE LIFE CHANGER

"My son spoke to me constantly, non-stop, for two hours, telling me about his experience. 'I had the best time of my life', he says. Thank you @youth4conservation from the bottom of our hearts. This experience is a genuine life changer." - Laura Lykkegaard (Parent)

