# SA LOCAL RESIDENT VOLUNTEER PACKAGE

The Barberton Makhonjwa Mountains contain the best-preserved, oldest and most diverse sequence of known volcanic and sedimentary rocks on Earth. These well-researched outcrops provide a globally unique source of information about the earliest measurable conditions of the Earth's gradually solidifying oceanic crust from 3.5 billion years ago. From these rocks, more has been learned than from anywhere else about the surface processes at work as the Earth cooled from a molten body, to the creation of the primitive biosphere. The reserve, together with surrounding areas, are now listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. This validates the area as having outstanding universal value for all humanity. Care for Wild is also home to many different animal and plant species. Volunteers will be learning about wildlife care from leading conservationists.

### RATES FOR SOUTH AFRICANS VOLUNTEERING AT CARE FOR WILD:

### Volunteer Village (Stonehouse) - CARE FOR WILD AFRICA CC

- Price per person per day (sharing) R 850.00 excluding VAT
- The minimum stay is seven days
- Check-in time is at 14:00PM
- Check-out time is at 10:00AM
- Own transport
- There are a communal mess hall and entertainment area
- On-Suite Bathroom

# The price includes the following:

- Volunteering program
- Accommodation
- Cooked meals (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)
  - Special dietary requirements or food intolerance R 160.00 excluding VAT extra per day will be charged.

### The price excludes the following:

- Drinks
- Snacks
- Bottled water
- WIFI
- Special Dietary Requirements

Please take note due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we ask that you present us with a negative COVID-19 test result not older than 72 hours before the date of arrival to ensure that you are negative for COVID-19. You will be screened for before entry onto the farm, facial masks must be worn. Temperatures, as well as medical screening, will be done daily.

## 2. WHERE ARE WE SITUATED?

We are based near Barberton, Mpumalanga, South Africa. Due to the rough terrain, small low vehicles will find it difficult to travel on the reserve. We will provide directions once your booking is secured.

# 3. WHAT TO BRING?

- Facial masks
- Heavy-duty garden gloves
- Hand sanitizer
- Warm jacket
- Torch
- Extra blanket or sleeping bag (If you get cold easily)
- Comfortable working clothes
- Hat or Cap
- Sunscreen
- Appropriate working shoes to work outside (closed shoes such as takkies)
- Water bottle
- Towels
- Personal small first aid kit
- Peaceful sleep to help keep off the ticks and mosquitos
- Reading material for relaxation
- Necessary medication if needed as we are roughly about 30min drive from the nearest hospital
- Snacks for in between meals during the day
- Swimwear



#### 4. WHAT DOES VOLUNTEERING ENTAIL

Care for Wild offers volunteers an experience that few people will ever have; the opportunity to get involved in the fight against rhino poaching and help save this beautiful species from extinction. You will learn the ropes of wildlife rehabilitation by experiencing practical, hands-on work under the supervision of highly trained and knowledgeable Wildlife Professionals. Volunteers do not need any previous experience, but a good level of physical fitness is needed as well as a 'willing and able' attitude. Please note that Care for Wild is a rehabilitation centre; it is of utmost importance that visitors understand that the animals' health and safety come first.

Some of the activities you will take part in are:

## Wildlife Rehabilitation Center:

- Feeding of orphaned rhinos
- General running of the center (repairs and maintenance)
- Cleaning cages and bomas
- Preparing food for the animals
- Monitoring rhino behavior and socialization patterns
- Updating animal data records
- Ensuring food is stocked and in supply
- Community work

### **A TYPICAL WEEK**

CARE FOR WILD VOLUNTEERING SCHEDULE:						
	09:00AM	10:00AM	12:30PM	14:00PM	16:00PM	LATE
Arrival Day:	Volunteers arrive at the facility at 14:00PM and upon arrival they will be welcomed, signed in and indemnities to be filled in and shown to their accommodation.					
	Guests are given an orientation and will learn about the week's activities.					
Weekdays:	Early morning	Breakfast	Educational talk	Lunch	Afternoon activities	Dinner & evening
	activities		Morning activities			activities
Weekend:	Volunteers have the option of helping with the rhinos or taking part in other activities or relax.					

# \* PLEASE NOTE THAT THE SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE \*



## **Morning activities include:**

- Preparing food for animals
- Feeding animals
- Cleaning bomas
- Grooming of horses and dogs
- K9 river walks
- And many more

## **Afternoon activities include:**

- Farm maintenance
- Rhino feeds
- Game drives/bush walks
- Swimming
- K9 walks
- And many more

# **Evening activities include:**

- Braai
- Bonfire
- Scorpion presentation and hunt
- Night drives
- And many more.



In consideration of being permitted to participate in voluntary service at Care for Wild there may be activities that involve risks and therefore on arrival, an indemnity will be required to be signed by the volunteer. Please keep in mind that by signing this form you give up important legal rights, including the right to litigate. Rules and regulations will be discussed with the party on day of arrival.

## **6. CONTACT DETAILS:**

For any further questions, please feel free to contact us:

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