

# Hazvyview Tours

## Gecko Bushpackers, Hazyview

### **Wild Ranger Experience**

3 days - 2 nights

Price includes:

Teaching from professional ranger

All accommodation (based on a dorm bed and a tent)

All meals, coffee, tea and juice.

Workbook

Entrance Big 5 Game Reserve

Entrance Game Farm.

Entrance Moholoholo.

Price excludes:

Transport to Hazyview

Optional activities

Alcoholic drinks

Price per person: R 2850,00 Min. 2 persons, max. 6 persons.

Bigger groups possible, prices on request.

Accommodation upgrade is possible, prices on request.

Prices are subject to change.

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Booking in advance necessary !

A unique experience in the African Bush as a trainee “Wildlife Ranger”.

Spend a few days in the bush with an experienced and passionate ranger who will tell you all about “his” wildlife. Let him take you into his world of living, surviving and working in the bush. Tracking of animals, anti-poaching and all the hard work that is put in to preserve our vulnerable environment.

In the 3 days you will do bush walks, game walks and an ultimate Big 5 Walk in a private Game Reserve. Learn about the stars, edible and medicinal plants, tracking, survival skills, spiders, insects, snakes and many other topics which make the bush so alive and interesting.

Join Edwin on his adventure in the bush, let him show you his world and enjoy the stories around the campfire. Discover why conservation is so important to preserve our natural heritage for future generations! For people with interest in just a survival course in which you will learn how to really come alive out of the bush or the desert, there are special courses. Prices and programs on request.

The program will start and end at “Bushpackers and Campsite” in Hazyview.

Participants need to get to Bushpackers with their own transport.

Transfers from Nelspruit can be arranged.

### **Day 1:**

After breakfast you will spend the morning getting introduced to the ranger work.

Some time will be spend in the classroom but most of the time will be in the bush, that’s where the action is.

What are biomes, how many are there, what animals live in there and why...many questions, very clear answers.

What is poaching, what is anti-poaching..is there a solution ? Snakes...which ones are

venomous which one are constricting ?

After lunch participants can choose for a visit to the Reptile Park or the Elephant Sanctuary (both in Hazyview).

Both activities are optional and at own cost.

It is also an option to spend more time with Edwin in the bush.

Dinner in the evening.

When the sky is clear Edwin will explain the constellation of stars, navigation with the stars and star signs.

The night is spend at Bushpackers.

### **Day 2:**

After breakfast there will be an introduction to survival and tracking, navigation in the bush, medicinal en edible plants etc. on a neighbouring game farm. Learn how to built a shelter, make a fire (without matches !) and where and how to find water in the bush. What can you use from nature for medical aid, you will be surprised how functional nature is !

After lunch, in the afternoon you will leave to Hoedspruit to a private Big 5 game reserve, beautiful situated in the Lowveld bush and open to the Kruger National Park.

On arrival we will set up camp and have some time to relax, enjoy the pool or sit on the terrace which overlooks the watering hole.

Dinner in the evening is a real African braai (bbq) and with some luck you can hear the lions roar in the distance.

The watering hole is lit so there is a good possibility to see animals while they are drinking.

The night is spend in a tent. (upgrading possible)

An optional activity is the night drive in another Big 5 private Game Reserve.

(Price is R 450,00 p.p.)

### **Day 3:**

After an early wake up call and some coffee and rusks you will go on your Big 5 walk, an exciting experience that you will not forget. Edwin will answer all the questions that come up during or after the walk and will guard you safely through the bush and during encounters with animals.

After a tasty brunch we will visit Moholoholo, a well known animal rehabilitation centre where you can see the animals up close. There is a proper tour which explains what happened to the animals and how they are getting prepared to be returned to the bush.

Dinner at Bushpackers.

End of program.