

Pongola Ranger Course Itinerary (with Imfolozi Game Reserve)

Day 1: Arrive at Durban International Airport where you will be greeted by one of our guides and transferred to Pongola Bush camp.

Pongola Game Reserve (Zululand)



You arrive at Pongola for an evening to relax and enjoy the wonderful atmosphere. Your accommodation is tented and accommodates two persons and your evenings around the campfire listening to the beautiful sounds of Africa at night.

Overnight: Pongola

Meals: Dinner

Day 2 – 8: After a relaxed morning and breakfast, you will start your Ranger lite course. The course is designed to benefit both the enthusiastic animal science student as well as the serious conservationist looking to further their expertise and careers. While on the course you might get the opportunity to track some of Africa's Big Five like Elephant, Rhino and Leopard. Sleep-out under the African stars is a big highlight of the course, but be warned – sleeping usually isn't much of a priority! Picket conducts and oversees this course alongside our resident guides Shaddy and Michael. Picket is an accredited FGASA trainer and assessor. As a field guide, he has achieved the top qualification of "scout" and is also a senior tracker with over 20 years of experience in the conservation industry.

You will receive a ranger certificate for this course.



The course details include:

- Safari etiquette
- Handling of firearms
- Tracking
- Spoor identification
- Animal and bird behaviour in the wild
- Ecology
- Bush clearing
- Fencing
- Game management
- Animal diseases
- Game capture
- Habitat evaluation
- Block burning and fire breaks
- Nature conservation ordinances
- Poaching dilemmas
- Study of animal feeding signs



Overnight: Pongola Game reserve and sleep out reserve

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and Dinner

Day 9 – 11: Departing early from Pongola, you have a short drive to Imfolozi Game Reserve that offers a big five wildlife experience that ranks with the best in Africa. Most of the next few days are spent on safari through the park, game viewing, using all the knowledge you have gained throughout the course and having time to relax with a BBQ overlooking the stunning reserve from the top of the mountain where your unfenced en-suite accommodation is located.



Overnight: Imfolozi Game Reserve

Meals: Own account

Day 12: Watch the sunrise over the bushveld before packing up for your last game drive and journey back to Durban for your overnight flight back to the UK. Lunch will be en-route to the airport (at your own cost) and dinner is served on flight.

Cost: £1700pp

Includes: Course, accommodation entrance & conservation fees, guides, meals as above,

Excludes: International flights, travel insurance and meals at Imfolozi

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