

# GAME RANGER TRAINING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

*The International Anti Poaching Foundation and its Game Ranger Training Assistance Program offers you the opportunity to assist in the training of game rangers or primary school aged children at their training academy in Victoria Falls. If you want to help make a real difference in the protection of Africa's endangered species, get involved at the front line and offer your time and skills to this ambitious and exciting African wildlife conservation project.*

For a hands-on African safari experience that makes a real difference join Damien Mander, Founding Director of IAPF, for a unique opportunity to actively assist with wildlife conservation, sustainability education, wildlife protection tactics and to extensively interact with wildlife.

You will be based at the IAPF Game Ranger Training Academy located only 15 minutes drive from the majestic Victoria Falls. Only 300 metres away your comfortable tented camp is nestled on the banks of the Nakavango River. The camp features a recreational area, large open fire, basic showers and toilets as well as hearty meals are prepared by the resident bush chef.

Your active participation in the program will be based on the length of your stay and what skills you bring to the program. Those who visit for a short time will be embedded into the lessons, learning what it takes to become a game ranger. For those staying for longer periods, there is an opportunity to prepare and facilitate lessons as well as being involved in operations.

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Living in close contact with rhino, elephant, buffalo, lion, kudu and other wild animals
- Becoming part of a tight-knit, highly focused team working in the African bush
- Ensuring the safety and sustainability of Africa's wildlife
- Working in close contact with highly professional and well-educated instructors all focused on achieving a common goal
- Being in a healthy, natural and refreshing environment

**PRICE PER PERSON FROM: \$1,235**

## PRICE INCLUDES:

- 7 nights tented accommodation
- All meals
- Park fees
- Ranger training, daily anti-poaching patrols, wildlife dart & rescue as required, operational response, game monitoring, and interaction with the critically endangered black rhino. May also include a 'big 5 on foot patrol'.

**NOTE: Contact African Travel Specialists for full details and availability.**



Ranger Training



Rhinoceros

## WOMEN FOR WOMEN - KIBERA

*Imagine an area of one square kilometre with over a million people living in tiny tin shacks with no running water or sewerage - this is the slum "that does not exist" - Kibera. Women For Women in Africa (WFWIA) is a charity run by volunteers. Its aim is to give the children of Kibera an education and the women a skill to support themselves. African Travel Specialists is proud to be involved with WFWIA. To find out what you can do to help, or if you simply want to visit, please contact African Travel Specialists, or WFWIA for more details.*

### Secondary Education

Kibera has thousands of children that have nothing and often don't eat for days at a time. They live in tin shacks with no toilet, no running water and no electricity. They often have open sewers outside their "homes". For these children and their families in the future, education is the key to finding a better life outside Kibera and to breaking free from the cycle of poverty. Whilst the Kenyan Government supports education to the end of primary school, they don't offer any support for secondary or tertiary education. In Kibera around 45% of children attend primary school yet only 1% complete their secondary education. Nonetheless, there is a burning desire amongst the children of Kibera for education. Currently WFWIA have over 300 children in boarding schools all over Kenya. All of these would not have the opportunity for secondary education if it were not for the generous sponsorships of people like you living in Australia. All it takes is \$ 1000 a year and you can have the chance to make a difference to a child, and it is tax deductible. This money covers accommodation, books, clothing and food for one year for one child. The philosophy of WFWIA is simple - "We cannot solve all the problems of Africa, but we can make a difference to the lives of some of the people living in Kibera".

### Girl's Empowerment Program

The Girl's Empowerment Centre provides a two year boarding program for poorly educated and homeless young women from the slums of Kibera with a framework to learn life skills and personal health issues. They are taught valuable skills like tailoring, catering, basic education, health care and computer skills. Many of the centre attendees are young mothers. WFWIA provides education on teenage pregnancy, health advice, life skills, self-esteem development and self-respect & assertiveness.

### Women's Centre - Skills Training

This is a truly exciting part of what WFWIA does in Kibera. Using old fashioned sewing machines and needles and threads, the women make superb clothes, school uniforms, jewellery and other items. Many clients put in time here to volunteer and assist these women to improve their skills. The small amount of money they make ensures that they will eat and provide for their children.



Children in the School



Women Sewing

*"In the West we complain about the things we don't have, in Africa we are grateful for what we do."*