

# ENJOY

# The Experience of a Lifetime as an Eco-supporter.



## Hands-on conservation for you.

Limpopo-Lipadi is a private reserve located on the banks of the Limpopo River in south-east Botswana. The Eco-Supporters Programme is generally a two-week, hands-on, exclusive adventure for 6 to 8 like-minded, international participants who are enthusiastic about sustainable wildlife conservation and management. As an Eco-Supporter you will help with the return of Limpopo-Lipadi's 20,500-hectares from former cattle farming into a biodiversity-rich wilderness. The work involves wildlife monitoring, participation in research, reserve maintenance and talks on the history and ecology of the Reserve. Of course there is also ample opportunity to learn about guiding, game management, botany and the impacts of climate change.

### Wake up to new adventures - every day!

Eco-Supporters will enjoy shared accommodation at our comfortable facilities in the middle of the reserve. Full board is provided during your stay. This includes: early rise at dawn with a light breakfast, mid-morning bush coffee/tea, a light lunch and a hot dinner.

**The Eco-Supporters Programme is not for profit**. After the running costs of the programme are met, any extra funds will be allocated to conservation research and supporting local university students doing their field work. **Respect for our biodiversity** is our philosophy and any contact with our wildlife is non-intrusive.

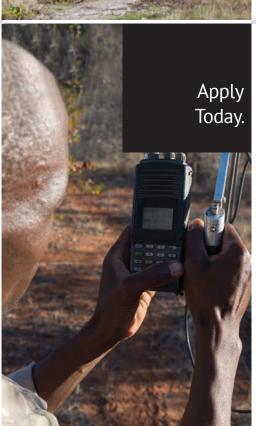
#### Wildlife Monitoring.

Eco-Supporters will have the opportunity **to track and monitor behaviour, movement and foraging patterns of the animals** we have collared (including the endangered African wild dogs), and also maintain camera traps.

Reserve <u>Mainten</u>ance. Reserve management **actively monitors the environment and its ecological resources**. Some of the maintenance activities that Eco-Supporters take part in are:

- Soil erosion control
- Invasive plant and weed control
- Fence, roads and borehole maintenance





As conservation and research are at the very heart of Limpopo-Lipadi, Eco-Supporters **will be encouraged to support some of our many ongoing and planned research projects**. Just to name a few:

- The African wild dog latrine project, which seeks to understand how wild dogs communicate amongst themselves through scent-marking behaviour
- Quantifying the damage done to trees and fences by elephants
- Monitoring the adaptive capacity of reintroduced Southern white rhinos in the Reserve

If you feel like joining Limpopo-Lipadi's Eco-Supporters Programme, please send an email to: **researchmanager@limpopo-lipadi.org** Make sure to fill out the application form details.

For more information about Limpopo-Lipadi check out our website: www.limpopo-lipadi.org



#### We look forward to meeting you - Welcome!

#### Included in the package:

- Coordination of transfers from/to OR Tambo International Airport in Johannesburg to/from Limpopo-Lipadi Reserve
- Accommodation, with shared facilities
- Full board: breakfast, lunch, dinner, coffee, tea, soft drinks
- Game drives, also in the evening
- Lectures

- Visit to nearby village schools
- The magnificent landscapes of Limpopo-Lipadi Reserve, including the breath-taking views from the Black Rock viewing platform

#### Excluded:

- Flights
- Visa (if applicable)
- Medical and travel insurance