

General information for volunteers

Travelling

If flying in to South Africa it's best to land in **Cape Town** and then get a bus (Translux, Greyhound or Intercap) in the morning (around 7am) which would mean that you reach Plettenberg Bay roughly at 2pm.

Coming during the day is much easier as it gives you opportunity to go food shopping for your first week. All bookings can be made online.

There are also flights from Johannesburg and Cape Town to Plettenberg Bay airport, which is just 7kms from the centre of Plettenberg Bay and 30kms from our volunteer accommodation at Monkeyland and Birds of Eden.

Free Accommodation

SAASA has 2 volunteer houses for long-term (more than 2 months) volunteers at **Monkeyland and Birds of Eden**. Each house has one twin bedroom and one triple bedroom and is equipped with a kitchen, living room and bathroom. It is free to stay in our houses; you just need to buy your own food and toiletries.

Bedding is provided but you can bring your own if you so choose.

Jukani does not have a volunteer house. All Jukani volunteers must stay at Homestay.

Homestay Accommodation

All Jukani volunteers and all volunteers staying for less than 2 months will need to arrange accommodation with one of our local homestays. We work with 3 local homestays. Homestay prices range from R500 to R600 per day and include meals, laundry, transport to the volunteering project etc.

Uniform

We will provide you with two uniform shirts, a set of epaulettes and a fleece/jersey. Please note that we require a R800 deposit for these items. The deposit will be returned to you when you return the uniform.

You will need to bring your own khaki trousers and brown or black shoes. You may also find it useful to bring waterproof boots as we do get rain throughout the year.

Our general uniform colours are dark green, brown and khaki. If you have any warm clothes of that colour, it is a good idea to bring them.

Working days

Our sanctuaries are open 365 days a year. All volunteers work five days per week and the normal working day is 8am to 5pm. Please note that off days may not fall on a weekend.

Please note:

Monkeyland, Birds of Eden and Jukani are “hands off” sanctuaries meaning that we at no time actually have physical contact with the animals. If this rule is broken you will be asked to leave immediately.