

***The future of Conservation lies in empowering and educating the Women of our Communities.*** *Our Mission*



**Mbilu Apprentice Program – Females in Conservation**

Over 50 applications were received from ladies residing in Acornhoek, Bushbuckridge and The Oaks. The selection course ran over three days where the final 10 candidates were selected for a two-year part-time Guide and Tracker Apprentice Program that will cover the FGASA Apprentice Field Guide, Apprentice Trails Guide, Field Guide and Regional Birding qualifications. The Cybertracker system will be used for training in Tracker qualifications.

Full time employment will be available to those ladies who complete the program in full.

This apprentice program runs completely on pro-bono work from dedicated and passionate Assessors, Mentors and Conservationists.

***Sustaining our Natural Heritage through the upliftment of Women in Conservation.*** *Our Vision*

We are looking for sponsors to assist with the following, pre-loved items are preferable:

**For the Fly Camp:**

- 6 X Campmor Sierra 3X3m Tents
- 10 X Single stretchers
- 10 X Single Mattress
- 20 X Blankets
- 10 X Fitted sheets
- 10 X Pillows
- 2 X Trestle tables
- 10 X Fold-up Canvas chairs
- Small Water Bowser
- Game viewer with tracker seat

**For the Apprentice Guides:**

- Funding for Uniform & Boots (Rogue or Sapmok Vellies)
- 10 X 35Lt Tactical Backpacks (preferably olive green)
- 10 X 3Lt Water bladders (to fit in backpacks)
- 10 X Binoculars (has to be functional and usable for proper birding)
- 10 X Sasol Birds of Southern Africa Field Guides
- 10 X Beat About the Bush: Exploring the Wild - The Comprehensive Guide by Trevor Carnaby
- Food for 5 days a month (10 pax)



Contact us via email if you would like to donate materials or become a sponsor for the apprentice program. [info@trailsuniverse.com](mailto:info@trailsuniverse.com)

