

Environmental Camps

The Cape Leopard Trust uses the enigmatic leopard to inspire young people to engage with and learn about the natural world. The Trust's research on predators such as the threatened leopard of the Cape mountains offers a rich source of educational material and is the inspiration behind our wilderness camps. A variety of activities and school subjects can be included in a camp programme. Outdoor adventure and exploration through physical and intellectual challenges, such as hiking and sleeping out in the wild, give the children an experience that is stimulating on all levels and offers an exceptional learning environment.



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Education & Outreach Programme

The Cape Leopard Trust (CLT) is a not-for-profit research and conservation organisation in the Western Cape that also offers a unique environmental education and outreach programme in the Cederberg and Boland mountains. Its focus is to encourage young people to develop a stronger connection to the natural world through an immersive wilderness camp experience. Children between the ages of 10 and 18 are most suited to the programme, with learning material developed to align with the CAPS curriculum and designed to bring to life the complex concept of sustainable development through a variety of quality outdoor experiences.



Location and Transport

The Cape Leopard Trust Cederberg Camp is located 250km from Cape Town, a four to five-hour journey by road accessible by car or minibus. Situated at the foothills of the famous Wolfberg Cracks in the heart of the Cederberg, the purpose-built campsite nestles in a tree shaded spot alongside a picturesque river. The Boland programme is hosted at a variety of sites depending on group size. We can offer transport to and from the camp site on request using our 20-seater Mercedes Sprinter, 'leopard bus'.



Accommodation and Facilities

Rietgat, the Cederberg campsite, is a spectacular place to unwind after an active and exciting day. The river allows for a great dipping experience on hot days. Clean and functional dorm style or tented accommodation and ablution facilities are on site. Large separate kitchen with gas cooking facilities, braai and fire pit. Biodegradable cleaning products provided.

Camp Content:

- Animals of the Western Cape
- Leopard and caracal research
- Human-wildlife conflict
- Rock art and archaeology
- Animal tracking
- Astronomy
- Fynbos and Karoo biomes
- Birds and insects – pollination
- Reptiles and scorpions
- Geology and fossil hunting
- Survival and navigation skills
- Water conservation
- Writing, art and photography

Camp prices include the following:

Qualified educator/nature guide, self-catering accommodation in dorms or tents, cooking equipment, all lesson plans and presentations, learning experiences, guided excursions, research and art equipment and all instruction.

Groups provide own:

- Food and bedding
- Transport (CLT bus available on request)
- Adult supervision at campsite



Camp Fees:

Prices from R250 per person per night for qualifying schools. Costs vary according to group size. Sponsorship opportunities available subject to eligibility.

Excluded: Transport and conservation fees or permits (prices available on request)

The campsite can accommodate a max of 20 people.

Activities can include:

Hiking, tracking and exploring, setting camera traps, finding fossils, learning about rock art and heritage, swimming in a waterfall pool, climbing sandstone rocks, night walks, searching for scorpions, learning more about astronomy, nature inspired art, working with mini-microscopes, writing about nature and storytelling with presenting skills.

Bookings and enquiries

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