



ENVIRONMENTAL programmes

Work Travel SA's environmental programmes give you the chance to form close bonds with animals in an enclosed environment. Whether it's helping to clean oiled penguins at a Seabird Rescue Centre, taking care of neglected pets at an animal welfare shelter, or working at a facility to raise public awareness on the plight of the endangered African Cheetah, you are sure to build lasting connections with both people and animals during your stay in South Africa.

Since 1968, the Seabird Rescue Centre has saved over 85 000 seabirds, while research has proven that without its efforts to rehabilitate oiled penguins, the population would be 19% smaller.

With less than 1 000 wild cheetahs remaining in South Africa, the Cheetah Centre does a great deal of much-needed work to raise public awareness on the plight of these animals.

The shelter for domestic animals, meanwhile, constantly runs at full capacity and as the only facility of its kind in the Helderberg region of the Western Cape, is always in need of extra helping hands.

South Africa offers a wealth of stunning natural highlights, cosmopolitan cityscapes and a unique cultural melting pot: South Africa truly is a world in one country and visitors invariably fall in love with the fresh and vibrant rhythms of "The Rainbow Nation".





Project Durations: 1 to 3 months (projects may vary).

Work Days: Generally Monday to Thursday (projects may vary).

Accommodation: Fully-furnished volunteer house, town apartments or dormitory-style rooms, depending on the individual project. All accommodation is within walking distance of local CBDs, shops, restaurants and pubs.

Special Skills: A love for animals is a must and a genuine desire to make a difference in animal welfare and conservation are essential. Volunteers must be fit, healthy and prepared to work hard! The Cheetah Centre requires volunteers to speak at least an intermediate level of English.

Attractions: The Western Cape area boasts a myriad attractions right on your doorstep, from Cape Town's historic sites like Robben Island and Table Mountain (named one of the world's New Seven Wonders according to votes in November 2011), to the sprawling vineyards of Stellenbosch, pristine white sandy beaches and a number of nearby nature reserves.