

The Game Capture School™



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TEN DAY WILDLIFE CAPTURE AND CARE EXPERIENCE
22 June – 1 July 2009 | 6 – 15 July 2009 | 3 – 12 August 2009

The aim of this course is to educate students on how to capture and care for wild animals. Our emphasis is on providing participants an adrenaline, adventure-filled and practical experience.

The Game Capture School is well established and recognized throughout the world. Our courses are recognized by the University of Cambridge and Royal Veterinary College for EMS (Extra Mural Studies) and, supporting the education and practice of wildlife handling and care, our courses are aimed at minimizing animal stress and mortalities. To date, we have successfully trained more than 1100 students from different countries.

Our 10 Day Wildlife Capture and Care Experience offers:

The Objective of this course is to teach students the background, facts and science of immobilization of wild animals in a practical, skill-development program.

On completion of the course, students will have:

- > revised the applicable physiology of capture
- > revised the pharmacology of drugs used
- > received guidance in taking care of infant and injured wild animals.

Students will then:

- > understand the preparation and use of equipment
- > be able to monitor; handle and care for animals
- > be able to load and transport captured animals
- > be able to do the job!

The course covers the following topics:

- > Physiology and general anatomy of wild animals
- > Pharmacology in general - with particular reference to drugs that are used in the chemical restraint of wildlife
- > Basic wildlife immobilization principles including those relevant to: chemical restraint of wild animals; decision and responsibility; general concepts; safety; and other factors.
- > Chemical capture from the ground and air (the role of the helicopter and pilot)
- > Individual species requirements
- > Equipment used to administer different drugs (Pnuedart, Dan Inject, Palmer, Paxarms, etc)
- > Stress and mortality
- > Transportation of wild animals
- > Hand rearing and care principles
- > Shooting out of the helicopter. And much more!

10 Day Course :Itinerary (Subject to change):

Your first 4 days will be spent on Tambotie Private Game Reserve. This Reserve forms part of the well renowned Nylsvley RAMSAR wetland area and is home to white rhino, disease free buffalo, sable, roan antelope, giraffe, zebra, cheetah, wild-dog and many more. You will learn, observe and participate in chemical captures, go on game drives, help at the breeding projects and many more.

On Day 5, you will depart for the National Kruger Park. There, you will spend two nights camping with cameras at ready exploring this untamed wilderness dream. You will also meet with Kruger Park Researchers and Veterinarians and learn more about disease control and other management related issues in this well known park.

After spending these days in the beautiful Lowveld of South Africa, we will take a scenic route back to Tambotie.

The last few days will be spent at our hospital learning all about hand rearing and infant care, spending some time at a crocodile farm, breeding camps and learning to dart out of a helicopter.

On your last evening, you will attend our Graduation Ceremony during the early evening. This will be followed by a real Africa farewell dinner!

Next morning, we will pack up after an early morning breakfast and say goodbye to Tambotie. En route, we will visit Onderstepoort Veterinary Hospital and University after which you will depart.

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Venue:

The Game Capture School and The Wildlife Centre are situated within the boundaries of the Tambotie Floodlands, Naboomspruit (Mookgophong), Limpopo Province, RSA.

It is a malaria free area.

Accommodation:

You will be accommodated in thatch roof chalets.

Lecturers:

Prof. David Meltzer
Dr. Paul Huber
Dr. M Du Plessis and other wildlife professionals

Course Cost includes:

- * Accommodation: Standard chalets with en-suite toilet and basin
- * 3 persons sharing.
- * (There is the option of a deluxe chalet at extra cost)
- * Meals
- * Transport to and from the airport on day of arrival and day of departure
- * Ground transport while on course
- * Personal attention

The Game Capture School reserves the right to make changes to the program should it be deemed necessary.