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Wagon Drift

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...and now for the fun part!





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LEADERSHIP & TEAMBUILDING

<p>Problem Solving (2.5 hours)</p> <p>A number of physical activities encourage students to work together, and complete this challenge as a team. Designed to test the strengths and weaknesses of both individuals and the group, it encourages personal development, and can be used to enhance leadership skills.</p>		
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<p>Portfolio (24 hours)</p> <p>Each student has to create a portfolio about other, and then share it with that person at the end of the camp. This is often a moving experience, as appreciation for others is fostered. This encourages bonding among peers in a meaningful way.</p>		
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<p>Cartoon Route (2 hours)</p> <p>Teamwork, bonding and getting active are all objectives of this activity. Students are split up into groups, and are then tasked with finding ten discs. Each disc has a number, a picture and a word on it. Once all the discs have been collected, each group has to figure out what the bigger picture is.</p>		
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Team Challenge (2 hours)

A competitive six-point challenge, where teams compete against each other for points. Meaningful self-evaluation within the team context concludes this activity. It is a great way to encourage teamwork, and assess individual strengths and weaknesses.

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Leadership Development (2 hours)

After being divided into groups, a number of activities are attempted. Including Skiing, Gutter Role, Helium Pipe, Hard Water and the Perfect Square, each one is specifically designed to identify and develop leadership attributes in both groups and individuals.

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DISC Evaluation (2 hours)

The DISC Evaluation is a personality assessment that reinforces the importance of teamwork. Each student will complete an evaluation form to identify what type of personality they have. Afterwards, the importance of each personality identified is discussed.

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ADVENTURE

Life-sized Raft Building (2 hours)		
Students are given a selection of materials and are then instructed to build a life-sized raft. Once they are finished, they have to race around a buoy. The speed, stability and aesthetics of the raft are assessed.		
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Compass Rout (2 hours)		
Inspired by the great explorers, this activity requires students to locate various objects using a compass. Instructions are available at each point, encouraging collaboration and problem solving. The interpretation and application of instructions is also tested.		
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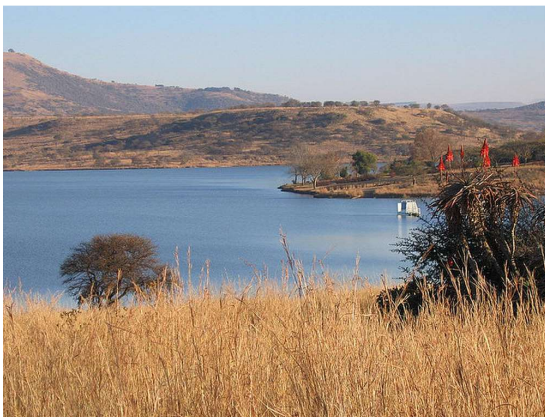
Amazing Race (2.5 hours)		
A race between teams to complete a four-point challenge, this activity involves creating a square from various shapes, building a bridge across water and starting a fire from scratch. It assess individual strengths and group dynamics, and is a whole lot of fun!		
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Bushcraft (2 hours)		
<p>Students are taught basic camping tricks, sleep-out techniques and survival skills. This activity aims to teach students how they can survive in the bush, and is a great prelude to a sleep out activity. Building a reliable shelter is also required.</p>		
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Water Cascades (2 hours)		
<p>Making the most of our beautiful dam, this activity involves a host of water related activities. Crazy Buckets, Swamped and Face-2-Face are some of the highlights. This activity is fun, encourages team building, and results in every participant getting wet!</p>		
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Speed Course (2 hours)

A unique concept, this is an obstacle course with a difference. Not only do students have to complete a maze of physical tasks in teams, they have to do so under time pressure. This activity pushes students to their limits, both physically and mentally.

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Obstacle Course (2 hours)

Our obstacle course is fun, thought provoking and challenging. The activities are designed to assess both individual strengths and group dynamics and are closely monitored by our staff when attempted. Safety is of the utmost importance always.

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Out & About Orienteering (2 hours)

After being divided into groups, students are prepared for a structured exploration of the property. This activity improves both map reading and orienteering skills, as students have to find various points on a map. Teamwork is also tested during this activity.

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Kayaking (2 hours)

A real highlight at Wagon Drift, this activity involves getting students out onto the water. Life jackets are mandatory, and a safety boat piloted by a trained skipper accompanies all participants. Whilst taking part, students can race to the other side, look for game, or enjoy the peace and quiet.

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GEOGRAPHY

Erosion Gullies (2 hours)		
Take a walk to our spectacular erosion gullies, which are a mere 200 meters from camp. These impressive gullies are a fantastic location for discussions on erosion, and its effect on South Africa. We specifically discuss erosion caused by human alterations to the landscape.		
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Climatology (1 hour)		
From an elevated vantage point, the different elements of climatology are discussed, emphasizing the micro-climate of the valley below. The influence of topography on the micro-climate, anabatic and katabatic winds, aspect and temperature inversion form the basis of this study.		
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Sky Study (2 hours)		
This study focuses attention upwards, and provides insight into the sun and its importance to both humans and the natural environment. The different types of clouds are then studied, with both graphical and practical illustrations taking place.		
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ECOLOGY & LIFE SCIENCES

<p>Water Study (2 hours)</p> <p>The practical section of this study requires scholars to assess the water quality of the nearby river. Water quality activities include a sensory exercise, as well as a water organism identification and classification exercise, which incorporates the use of "bug dials".</p>		
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<p>Arachnid Study: Spiders & Scorpions (2 hours)</p> <p>This activity is an informative, educational and hands-on study of Arachnids. Interesting facts about Arachnids are discussed, followed by the supervised collection and identification of certain specimens. Safety is our top priority when carrying out this exercise!</p>		
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<p>Tree Study (2 hours)</p> <p>The aim of this study is to introduce scholars to the importance of trees. After a detailed presentation about the conservation of trees, each group will be allocated a specific tree that they need to identify and "interview".</p>		
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Grassland Study (2 hours)

This activity is a basic introduction to grasses and grassland habitats, including concepts such as biotic and abiotic components, symbiosis, the structure of grass and biomes. Discussions include the importance of grass to both mankind and the environment.

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Animal Study (2 hours)

A comprehensive study of the wildlife at Wagon Drift, this activity covers both mammals and birds. From their nests, to their eggs, to the sounds that they make, students will gain insight into our feathered inhabitants.

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Insect Study (2 hours)

This activity involves a comprehensive study of the insects that inhabit our natural environment. Often overlooked, insects form an integral part of the surrounding bush. This study not only explains their role in nature, but also offers students the opportunity to go out and see this for themselves.

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Eco-Trail (2 hours)

The entire group goes on a walk through the bush, with lots of stops throughout. At each point, a specific plant or object in nature is discussed. Information on the object itself and its use to people are examined.

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Scavenger Hunt (2 hours)

A very good follow on from the eco-trail, students are presented with a checklist of items they are required to find. These items include a Dung Beetle, Crabs, bones and Porcupine quills. Students are then awarded points depending on what they have found in the allotted time.

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GENERAL INTEREST

Hiking Trails (3 hours)

Wagon Drift is part of a 2 000 hectare conservancy. We have over 20 kilometres of scenic hiking trails to explore, beautiful but challenging mountains to be concurred, and an array of fauna and flora to appreciate.

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EVENING ACTIVITIES

Evening activities are confirmed upon arrival:

- **Stalk the lantern:** The aim of this game is to capture the lantern, before being discovered.
- **The night sky:** An informative look at the night sky, including the stars in our solar system.
- **Evening hike:** A night walk as a group, looking for eyes reflecting from the bush.
- **Solitaire:** An opportunity to reflect in solitude, away from the hustle and bustle.
- **Camp concert:** A selection of riveting performances, based on a common theme.
- **Team quiz:** Groups compete to solve riddles and answer general knowledge questions.