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SNAKE COURSES

BEGINNERS COURSE – COST R 450,00/Participant

This course is aimed at those people who find snakes fascinating but don't know too much about them and would like to learn more about these interesting creatures.

The course covers general information on the types of snakes in South Africa, their distribution, the venomous and benign species, their dentition, locomotion, identification, feeding, prey and predators, breeding and other interesting information. Basic first aid treatment for snakebite is also included in this course.

The course takes place on a Saturday morning from 09h00 to 12h00 or thereabouts and various live snakes are introduced during the course. At the end of the course each participant will complete a questionnaire, the results of which will be given with a FGASA approved certificate stating that they have attended the Park's Beginners Course.

ADVANCED COURSE – COST R 750,00/Participant

This course is aimed at those people who have either already completed the Beginners Course and wish to know more, or who have proven previous knowledge on snakes and need more theoretical and practical experience. It is also an ideal course for senior personnel in an industrial environment where first aid on snakebite may be required.

The course recaps on the general information and goes on to include more in depth on snake venoms and treatment for snakebite. It includes snake behaviour, the parasites and diseases of snakes. It also covers snake catching and handling of snakes.

There are 2 parts to this course, which also takes place on a Saturday. Beginning at 09h00 the 1st part will last until approx 12h00. There will be a break until the 2nd part which will continue from 13h00 until completed where each participant will learn to catch various snakes.

Participants will complete a questionnaire which will be graded according to ability, and they will receive a FGASA approved certificate showing these results as well as a grading on the second part of the course. Each participant will sign an indemnity before taking part in the Advanced Course

The above costs are inclusive of vat. Booking is essential and should be in writing. Payment can be made on the day of the course