



CAMP LIGHTFOOT

Founded in 1990, CCF is a Namibian non-profit incorporated association dedicated to the long-term survival of the cheetah and its ecosystems.

CCF VISION

To see a world in which cheetah live and flourish in co-existence with people and the environment.

CCF MISSION

To be an international centre of excellence concerning cheetah conservation, and multi-disciplinary research and education programmes; working with all stakeholders to achieve best practice in conservation and management.

CCF's activities include conducting international research, conservation and education programmes to ensure the survival of the cheetah for future generations.

If the cheetah is to survive, it is essential that the value of the world's fastest cat is recognised both within its range countries and internationally. Environmental education plays a key role in the Cheetah Conservation Fund's (CCF) programme that will empower Namibians to protect their land and wildlife in a sound manner.

The CCF believes that public environmental education and the development of national pride in the cheetah are critical to the cheetah's survival. The CCF's Education Programme includes extensive community and school outreach, centre-based programmes, resource development and training courses. The CCF works closely with learners, youth groups, higher education students, teachers, farmers, community members, environmental clubs, wildlife professionals and the general public.

As part of the centre-based Education Programme, CCF offers two and three-day environmental education courses for learners of all ages. Groups wishing to participate stay at the CCF Camp Lightfoot and enjoy a full programme of hands-on activities.

WHAT IS CAMP LIGHTFOOT?

Lightfoot is a permanent campsite facility about 1 km from the CCF Centre. Camp Lightfoot is used by visiting school and youth groups.

CAMP LIGHTFOOT OVERVIEW

Most school or community groups stay at CCF's Camp Lightfoot over a weekend. Depending on the length of a school or youth group's stay, there are many environmental activities currently available to make the stay educational, hands-on and fun. Non-releasable cheetahs need exercise to stay healthy. Like all cats, they enjoy playing and especially chasing their specially designed lure. Watching this run is a wonderful opportunity for kids and adults alike and a rare chance to watch cheetah living up to their reputation as the 'fastest animal on earth.' Some Camp Lightfoot activities include watching one of CCF's non-releasable resident cheetahs being ran or being fed, touring the cheetah museum, taking a game drive, discussions to discover the importance of predators in eco-systems, team building games, guided nature walks and so on.

At the end of the programme, CCF distributes 'Cheetahs: A Predator's Role in the Ecosystem, Teacher's Guide' to teachers and workbooks for all learners.

Teachers are encouraged to guide CCF staff in the particulars of their visit's aim. The CCF Camp Lightfoot programmes can be focused around themes, curriculum and specific topics. With notice, the CCF staff will gladly develop and prepare catered programmes. Also, teachers are welcome to schedule their own class time if they have brought additional activities like small lessons, questionnaires, colouring activities and games. If requested, CCF will set aside time for teachers to do pre-planned activities and lessons.

HOW MANY PEOPLE CAN COME TO LIGHTFOOT?

The CCF recommends that a maximum of 35 learners and two teachers stay at the camp.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST TO VISIT CAMP LIGHTFOOT?

Currently, CCF does not request a formal fee, but donations are negotiable from N\$5 to N\$60 per person, as there are costs involved in the operation of Camp Lightfoot. Also note the CCF does not provide food.



" By educating the leaders of tomorrow, we help ensure that cheetahs remain on the earth for future generations. "

-DR. LAURIE MARKER,
CCF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR





WHERE IS CCF AND DOES CCF PROVIDE TRANSPORT?

The CCF Field Research and Education Centre is located 44 km outside Otjiwarongo along road D2440. On arrival to CCF, your group will be accompanied to Camp Lightfoot. The CCF does have a small bus, but since the space is limited, we request that you provide your own transportation to and from the Centre. Arrangements can be made, however, for CCF to provide transport for small groups from Otjiwarongo to the Centre.



WHAT FACILITIES ARE AT THE CAMP?

Facilities provided by CCF include:

- * 2 large open tents (with mattresses)
- * 2 medium tents (with mattresses)
- * fire place
- * shower facilities
- * toilet facilities

WHAT SHOULD I BRING?

You must bring to Camp Lightfoot:

- * Enough food to last the duration of your stay
- * bedding
- * eating utensils, dishwashing soap and cloths
- * a torch to use at night
- * good walking shoes



WHAT IS THE TEACHER/ADULT'S ROLE IN THE LIGHTFOOT PROGRAMME?

The CCF expects that the adult and or teachers accompanying the group will be responsible for the discipline of the group, the organisation of the group into cleaning, cooking and other work groups and the overall supervision of the group.

WHAT IS NOT ALLOWED AT CAMP LIGHTFOOT?

The CCF does not permit alcohol, loud games, radios, pets, babies or very young children at Camp Lightfoot.



HOW DO I ARRANGE FOR A GROUP TO STAY AT LIGHTFOOT?

Please phone, fax or email a request for booking to the attention of the CCF education staff. The CCF recommends groups make bookings at least two months before the date planned for a visit. If reservations need to be cancelled, please do so as soon as possible to enable other groups to take your place.



SAMPLE PROGRAMME:

DAY 1

- * Arrive at CCF
- * Introduction and overview
- * Team building activities in the Predator Preyground
- * Evening sky activity

DAY 2

- * Watch a cheetah run
- * Tour the Cheetah Museum
- * Discussion on predators in the ecosystem
- * Cheetah arts activity
- * Watch a cheetah feeding
- * Afternoon game drive
- * Evening nature video

DAY 3

- * Morning guided nature walk
- * Afternoon game drive
- * Final discussion & distribution of materials
- * Depart CCF



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