

BECOME A PROFESSIONAL NATURE GUIDE IN THE COASTAL-MARINE & FYNBOS BIOME



GROOTBOS PROFESSIONAL GUIDE ACADEMY

NEXT COURSE JANUARY 2023

The Grootbos Professional Guide Academy is looking to train and develop passionate well-rounded professional Nature Guides in the Coastal-marine and Fynbos environment

Join us for a full time **3-month** FGASA Apprentice Field Guide, FGASA Marine Guide, Fynbos Birding and Biome Guide course (**NQF2**). In addition to this extensive training the Grootbos Guide Program provides specialist supplementary training in **Forest Bathing**.



This course offers a sound stepping stone into the lodge working environment.

3 MONTH PROGRAM

On completion of the 3-month program, guides are qualified with:

- FGASA Apprentice Field Guide
- CATHSSETA Nature Site Guide (NQF2)
- FGASA Marine Guide (Level 1)
- Fynbos Regional Bird Guide
- Fynbos Biome Guide

ACCOMMODATION & MEALS

- Dedicated accommodation is provided and arranged on a sharing basis
- Ingredients for meals are provided

COSTS

- This is a partially subsidised course
- Costs are inclusive of board & lodging, uniform and study materials, training & assessments
- Costs also include FGASA fees and membership
- The 3-month course costs: R18 000



GUIDE TRAINING MANAGER: GRANT HINE

Grant Hine has 32 years' experience in the nature guiding industry, a number of guiding qualifications and a Masters in Psychology. He has written several guiding learner manuals and ran the Field Guides Association of Southern Africa (FGASA) for 17 years. He conducts training and assessments of guides with a new approach re-connecting people to nature, including nature therapy and forest bathing, Zen Safaris nature-based life coaching, reiki, meditation and mindfulness training.

PREREQUISITES

- Have a valid matric or equivalent
- Fit and be able to walk for at least 5km
- A valid driver's license (manual gear shift)
- Learner must be able to communicate effectively in English
- A tertiary degree or diploma is an advantage
- Western Cape residents are preferred

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To apply send through a copy of your matric certificate, a CV and a letter of motivation to grant@grootbos.co.za