

Joseph Molekoa



Joseph Molekoa - Field Assistant
Nationality : South African

Education:

Year	Institution
1973 - 1980	Tswaing Junior and Secondary School, North West Province, South Africa

Year	EMPLOYMENT and QUALIFICATIONS
1980	Drivers Licence
1980	Professional Guides Licence, South Africa. A thorough knowledge of all the flora and fauna in the area as well as tracking skills, shooting skills and a knowledge of the behavioural ecology of the animals and birds.
1980-1988	Game Ranger at Mabula Lodge, South Africa. Taking clients out to enjoy and understand the ecology of Africa.
1989-1992	Trainee Mahout, Elephant Back Safaris, Botswana. Working with a mixed herd of captive elephants used in the safari industry, I learned to train them to command up to 26 commands.
1989	Professional Guides Licence, Botswana
1992-2007	Mahout, professional guide and elephant trainer
2004-2007	Head Mahout, in charge of all the elephant training, training and development of mahouts. Health, safety and care of the elephants and looking after the safety of the international clients.

INTEREST AND HOBBIES

My interest and hobbies are focused around the animals and that I work in and the area in which I am privileged to live. I enjoy watching and learning about wildlife and spending time in the wilderness. I also enjoy listening to music and keeping up to date with the news.

CAREER OBJECTIVES

Elephants have given me a lot of joy and taught me so much during my career as a mahout. I would like to have the opportunity to play a small part in conserving the remaining wild populations.