

LOWVELD TRAILS CO.

# TRACK & SIGN COURSE

This 5-day course will open up a new world to the naturalist, with the focus being on the identification and interpretation of the tracks and signs left behind by the incredible diversity of wildlife in the South African Lowveld.

As your 'environmental literacy' skills are honed, you will become more situationally aware, and will therefore feel more at home in your natural environment.

The course follows the CyberTracker structure and standards, culminating in a CyberTracker Track & Sign Assessment on the final day.

## Scheduled Courses

25 - 29 June 2027

16 - 20 October 2027

## About the Course

For the duration of the Track & Sign Course, you will be based at the Lowveld Trails Co. Tented Camp in the Timbavati Private Nature Reserve (PNR), part of the Greater Kruger National Park.

The course is facilitated by one of the Lowveld Trails Co. CyberTracker Track & Sign Specialists, who will be joined by a CyberTracker Assessor on the last day.

There is a maximum number of eight participants per course, ensuring personalised attention from the course facilitator and as much first-hand experience for the candidates as possible.

The course will be practical and intense, with an average of 7 to 8 hours spent in the field each day.

"The **CyberTracker Universal Tracker Certification** covers the fundamental principles of tracking as well as the finer details and sophisticated aspects of tracking. The evaluation is in the form of a practical field test. Mistakes are corrected and explained continuously throughout the duration of the evaluation. This process identifies the strengths and weaknesses of each candidate in order to develop the potential of each individual in accordance to his or her level of skill."

[www.cybertracker.org](http://www.cybertracker.org)



## What to Expect

A typical day starts with a wake-up call prior to sunrise. As the birds announce the approaching day, we enjoy coffee, rusks and a light breakfast before heading out on a four to five hour tracking session as soon as sufficient daylight allows.

We return to camp by midday for a well-earned brunch, prepared by the camp cook, and a few hours free to shower, read or study. As it starts cooling down in the afternoon, we head out again for another two to three hour session.

Dinner and a crackling campfire will await us back at camp, usually followed by an open air shower and an early night after the physical and mental exertions of the day.



Our Tented Camp, set under giant Jackalberry trees along a dry riverbed, is basic, but comfortable, providing an authentic and interactive experience.

Canvas dome tents, with single camp stretcher beds and linen, house 2 guests each. Ablutions are simple, yet perfectly functional. Comfortable seats crouch over pit-fall toilets and canvas bush showers stand under a canopy of trees, open to views of the surrounding bush.

The communal area is set around the campfire or at the dining-kitchen area where the camp cook, whips up wholesome meals on a gas cooker and an open fire.

There is no electricity, cell-phone signal or Wi-fi, but we trust you will find a strong connection.



## What to Pack

### General Equipment

- Daypack (for water, snacks, etc.)
- Water bottles
- Head torch (spare batteries)
- Binoculars
- Notebook and Pen
- Tracking reference books (bring along if you have any)

### Wardrobe

- Walking Shoes (already worn in)
- Ankle Gaiters
- Neutral Coloured Clothing
- Hat
- Sunglasses
- Flip-flops
- Rain Jacket for Oct to Apr (just in case!)

### Personal Essentials

- Sunscreen
- Tooth brush, toothpaste and additional toiletries
- Face cloth & biodegradable soap
- Additional snacks you may want
- Your own soft drinks / alcoholic beverages

This course is **fully catered** and all meals, tea, coffee and juice will be provided. Please bring along your own additional snacks and soft drinks / beverages if you wish to.

## Book your Spot on the Track & Sign Course

### 2027 Course Dates:

25 - 29 June

16 - 20 October

### 2027 Course Rate:

ZAR 20 460/ participant

50% deposit secures your spot

Contact [reservations@lowveldtrails.co.za](mailto:reservations@lowveldtrails.co.za) to check availability and book your spot.

### Included in the course rate:

- CyberTracker Track & Sign Assessment
- Timbavati PNR Conservation Levy
- 4 nights' accommodation (sharing) at the tented camp
- Linen and bath towels
- Lowveld Trails Co. Tracker Card & Notebook
- All meals, juice, tea & coffee for the duration of the course.

### What you need to know:

- Meeting & End Point | Timbavati Headquarters
- Meeting Time | 13h30 on Day One
- End Time | around 16h30 on Day Five
- Vehicles can remain at Timbavati Headquarters for the duration of the course.

"There are few courses that are truly life changing, this is one of them. Being in the bush with instructors that care so deeply about the topic, is not only inspiring, but also refreshing. If you have any interest in tracking whether its just for fun or your career path, there is no other choice. Lowveld Trails all the way! And I cant wait to book the next one already. "

Tarryn Shepherdson | October 2025 Course

