



Did you know?

Our environment is in serious trouble worldwide, from polluted oceans to widespread habitat loss, all due to human actions. We know right from wrong, but we're depleting natural resources faster than we can replenish them.

How can you help?

1. Adopt an environmentally conscious mindset.
2. Speak out against environmental misconduct to individuals, companies, and local government.
3. Avoid using poison and strong chemicals. Dispose of medicine properly, as these chemicals impact our drinking water.
4. Consider the world we're leaving for future generations. Teach others to value of our environment and wildlife, and discuss ways to protect them.
5. Don't assume everything is okay in your circle. Take responsibility, instead of assuming that someone else will fix it.
6. Avoid blaming others, be the one to make a difference.
7. Support those standing up for the environment. Start your own campaign or join a group to amplify efforts.
8. Report animal abuse, wildlife trading, dumping, and illegal activities. Be part of the solution, not the problem.
9. Refrain from using rat poison, as no form is safe for the environment. Educate friends and family and raise awareness.
10. Spend time in nature to appreciate the gift we've received. Imagine a world without nature. Change habits and perspectives.



Is it too late to save the environment?

Taking significant action is crucial to reversing the damage caused by humans. While we may not save the world, we can make a difference by preserving wildlife on the West Coast. Join our effort:

SEALS

Cape Fur Seals are a protected species and by law it is illegal to feed, harass, move or kill any seal.

Seals only spend 30 % of their time in the water, hunting and playing. The rest of the time, seals enjoy basking in the sun getting some much needed rest. Please do not drag a seal back into the water. Seals stress easily and can die from stress, with their system going into shut down. Please do not pour water over a seal. Let them be.

Breeding season runs from October to January.

Please do not approach or pick up the pups.

Seals can be aggressive, giving a nasty bite. Please keep your distance (at least 20m) and keep your dogs on a leash.

Call HBSRC if you find any seal in distress.

WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU SEE A SEAL ON THE BEACH



Thank you for caring about our seals
@hout_bay_seal_rescue_centre

Please be mindful of our wildlife



TORTOISES

Tortoises are endemic to an area, because of the nutrition that they receive from the local flora.

Please do not take them home and/or feed them shop food. Shop food is bad for their health, because it does not provide them with the necessary nutrition. When you find a tortoise in the middle of the road, move them to the side, if it is safe to do so. It is illegal to transport or keep a tortoise without a permit. Do the right thing. Please leave tortoises in their natural habitat.

HELP PROTECT Chameleons



Chameleons can occasionally be found living in suburban gardens. One of the many threats they face in this environment includes being transported unknowingly to garden refuse and landfill sites in vegetation removed from these gardens.

Please check garden refuse and all vegetation while pruning and before transported to a landfill site.

If you witness any unlawful trading or harm inflicted upon chameleons, please contact the appropriate authorities.



BOKKIES



Daily we loose bokkies due to being hit by vehicles. Unfortunately most of these succumb to injury and stress.

Adhering to the speed limit will greatly help. Please dim your lights [strong light blinds them] when you find a bokkie in the road and give it time to move away.

A mother will hide her young in the bushes when she is grazing or if there is any danger nearby. When you find a little one on it's own, please do not remove it until you have contacted us to assess the situation.



SNAKES

- Please Remember that most snakes have no desire to be around people, that is why you rarely see them.
- If you see a snake in your garden, stay calm and keep your distance. It is likely that the snake will flee when it sees you.
- Most snake bites occur when one tries to catch, corner or step on it.
- Avoid trying to remove a snake yourself.
- The African Snakebite Institute has a list of professional snake catchers in your area.
- By keeping your distance and an eye on a snake will greatly help a snake catcher help you.



BIRDS



What to do when you encounter a compromised bird.

Not all wildlife needs to be rescued.

- Please call the Owl Orphanage first for advice before you pick up any wildlife.
- Every situation is different.
- The sooner that we can give such a bird the correct help, the greater is it's chances of a full recovery.
- Please do not try to give it water or food. This could complicate treatment.
- Only if necessary, pick the bird up gently and place on a towel in a box with air holes.
- Do not fiddle with the bird. Wild birds stress quickly and it could cause death.
- Contact the Owl Orphanage Immediately.



The Owl Orphanage

We Rescue Birds Of Prey And Blue Cranes

Our Mission and Passion

By saving as many compromised wildlife we possible can, we try to keep their numbers up in the wild.

Network

By working with various organisations, institutions and volunteers we get to save many more lives.

Finding Compromised Wildlife

Please contact us immediately, don't hesitate. If we ourselves can't help then we will make contact with the various organisations we work with, to find the best help soonest.

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The OWL ORPHANAGE

is a rehabilitation centre for injured, poisoned and orphaned Birds of Prey, Blue Cranes and a variety of other wildlife, until they are fit enough to be released back into the wild.



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