

FILMING OPTIONS

CCF is situated on a 46,000-hectare wildlife sanctuary. Besides a research centre, genetics lab, veterinary clinic and education centre, we have a working farm with livestock including cattle, goats and sheep. In addition to specific opportunities that can be pre-arranged, we have standard daily activities that are a part of our overall story and are listed below. NB: The majority of outdoor activities can only take place during dry weather and CCF cannot guarantee the success and duration of activities which are dependent on the cheetah or other animals.

Cheetah Run – Arrival time: 7:15 – 7:30 a.m. Approx 30 minute duration.

Allow ample time for set up. A member of staff will also go through the safety protocols for the shoot. The cheetahs will start their run around 8 – 8:15. We cannot start the run later as it gets too warm for them. We can run several mornings – Dry weather only.

Behind the Scenes Cheetah Feeding – 9:00 a.m. Approx 2.5 hour duration.

Cheetah feeding from the back of the truck along uneven ground so appropriate equipment is required. Safety protocols will be discussed prior to leaving. This will take all of the morning. We have numerous cheetahs in several camps of varying sizes.

Cheetah Safari Drive – Throughout the day. Approx 1 hour duration.

Take a drive into an enclosure at our main centre to see some of our cheetahs and have an opportunity to take some great photos.

Model Farm & Livestock Guarding Dogs – Daily.

Goats and dogs going out to graze for the day occurs early in the morning (around 8) and filming time can be coordinated with the goat herder to shoot in the bush with him. The herd coming back to the goat yard can be filmed in the afternoon. Milking of the goats takes place in the mornings and afternoons (6 am and 6 pm), the dogs are also fed both in the morning and afternoon/evening.

Meeting a farmer – ½ or full day

This activity NEEDS TO BE BOOKED IN ADVANCE. There are no options to book this activity upon arrival to CCF so if this seems like something you may want please inquire in advance. Filming with one of our local farmers. Timing depends on distance to farmer and what you want to film. Namibia is a vast country. We can arrange filming with a Livestock Guarding Dog (LGD) present. Also note if you have a preference for a communal or commercial farmer. Farmer visits are subject to change and cancellation due to last minute farm emergencies.

Cheetah Tracking – +/- 3 hours

As part of CCF's cheetah re-wilding research, it might be possible to film this activity. It is best to go out when the cats are known to be closer. This activity is subject change, depending on where the cheetahs are and the location of CCF's current trackable cheetahs. Important: the tracking includes walking on foot, so the crew needs to carry their equipment. It cannot be assured that cheetahs will be found.

Scat Dogs – Approximately 1 hour

These special dogs are used to find scat at cheetah playtrees which cheetahs frequent. CCF studies the scat for genetic history as well as to analyse the cheetah's diet.

Genetics Laboratory – 1 hour

Filming of lab equipment and analysis work.

Cheetah feeding at CCF Centre – Daily, 2 p.m. Mon-Fri & 12 p.m. on weekends. Approx 30 minute duration.

The cheetahs are fed while members of the CCF team provide an explanation of their diet and the history of these orphaned cheetah. Can only be filmed from outside the cheetah enclosures.

Clinic work – Not guaranteed availability

We don't get wild cheetahs that often but if we do when you are here, then we will work that cheetah up with you – taking blood, measurements full medical checkup. Otherwise we can plan something if we know when you are coming. We have some routine work we do on our orphan cheetahs. If cheetahs are not available or if you prefer we can arrange to have clinic work with goats and dogs.

Education Centre & Museum Facility – Anytime

Little Serengeti Safari Drive – Approx 2 hour duration.

1500-hectare open field teeming with wildlife (depending on time of year and weather you might see herds of oryx, hartebeest, springbok, warthogs).

Aerial Footage – This activity NEEDS TO BE BOOKED IN ADVANCE and is only possible if a bush pilot can be secured. Additional charges apply.