



CAPE LEOPARD WILDRUN

25 - 30 October 2026

a trail running journey for wild cat conservation





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A luxury and exclusive multi-day trail running adventure from Cape Town through the mountain wilderness of the Cederberg, a journey in support of the Cape Leopard Trust and their ongoing wild cat conservation efforts.

From Table Mountain to the Cederberg, this trail running journey is a total immersion into the wilderness domain of the Cape Mountain Leopard. The landscape of the Cederberg is a magical blend of spectacular sandstone rock formations, crystal clear mountain streams, star-studded night skies and abounds with ancient rock art, unique fauna and flora, and rich cultural heritage. This unique and captivating experience is the Cape Leopard Wildrun.

“To be whole. To be complete. Wildness reminds us what it means to be human, what we are connected to rather than what we are separate from” - Terry Tempest Williams

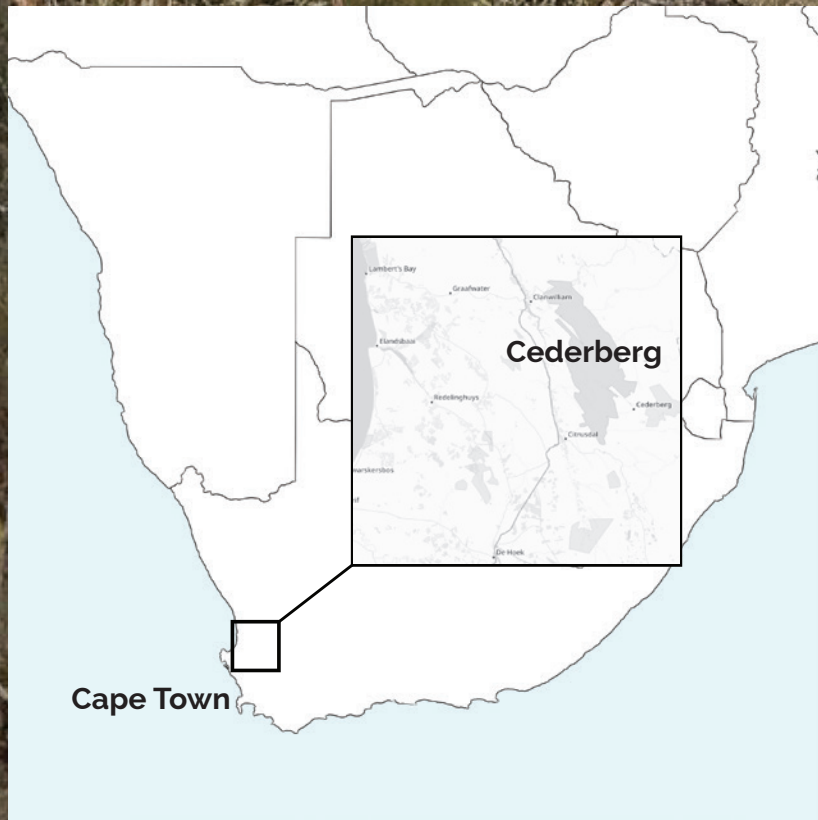




Highlights



CEDERBERG WILDERNESS AREA
WESTERN CAPE, **SOUTH AFRICA**



About the Cederberg and the Cape Leopard Trust

The Cederberg lies some 250km North of Cape Town, South Africa, and collectively encompasses 1.2 million acres (490,000 hectares) of rugged mountain wilderness. The area was proclaimed a wilderness area in 1973 and a World Heritage Site in 2004.

The Khoisan people were the original inhabitants of the Cederberg, with hundreds of rock painting sites bearing testimony to their legacy. Today, the Cederberg area is a much sought-after recreational space for adventurers, hikers and rock climbers from all over the world. The magnificent red sandstone rock formations, unique fauna and flora, and its myriad of tracks and trails makes the Cederberg a nature lovers paradise.



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The Cape Leopard Trust, founded in 2004, began its breakthrough predator conservation work in the Cederberg. This active working group uses research as a tool for conservation, finding solutions to human-wildlife conflict and inspiring the next generation through education.





Itinerary & dates

25 October 2026

ARRIVAL

Arrival in Cape Town, and check into your hotel accommodation. In the afternoon, weather permitting, we will ascend Table Mountain by cable car and take a walk (or light run) across the mountain, followed by a private welcome dinner & journey briefing.

26 October 2026

Day 2

After breakfast, we board the private road transfer for the 3hr drive north to the Cederberg Wilderness area, passing through the famous Pikeneerskloof Pass and Citrusdal. After checking in, we gather for a introduction to the Cederberg and a brief on the day ahead, before sundowners and dinner around the fire. It's early to bed as we prepare for the trail run ahead!

27 October 2026

Day 3

Our first running stage takes us on a 25km journey from the central Cederberg over the Wolfberg Plateau to the northern Cederberg and the Rhenish village of Langkloof. Along the way we will take in the famous Wolfberg Cracks and Wolfberg Arch, before descending Gabriels Pass into Langkloof village and our hosts for the evening and night.



28 October 2026

Day 4

The 30km second stage of the run is a real gem through some of the most remote parts of the Cederberg. We start with a long climb up the Langkloof Valley to pick up a traverse below some big peaks. We link up a series of magnificent valleys and trails before arriving in our mountain wilderness camp for a night under the stars.

29 October 2026

Day 5

The final run stage is a 30km journey from our Wilderness camp to the luxury Bushmanskloof lodge, passing through the beautiful Rhenish hamlet of 'Heuningvlei' before we wind our way down into the Bushmanskloof property. We dine under the stars as we celebrate completing this magnificent running journey.

30 October 2026

Day 6

It's a day to relax and enjoy the magnificent Bushmanskloof Lodge and property, with a choice of any of the included activities on offer - from visiting San rock art sites to game drives and more.

31 October 2026

Day 7

We say farewell to the Cederberg, and board the private transfer for the return road trip to Cape Town. Any onward travel plans or accommodation booked through us shall continue on arrival in Cape Town.





Important information you need to know



If you are an international visitor to South Africa, please make sure your passport is valid and that you have secured any visas that may be required



Hotel and lodge accommodation is provided on a two person sharing basis (a single supplement option is available).
For the camping nights, individual tents are provided with a mattress.



This journey is fully catered, from your arrival dinner to breakfast on departure from Bushmanskloof. A range of basic snacks will be available to choose from on the run days.



You will need to bring your own personal sleeping bag and pillow, both of which can be purchased separately from Wildrun Africa.



It is advisable to bring cash for personal purchases, curios and gratuities.



For the running days you only take what you need for the day. The rest of your kit will be taken around to the next camp. Water we will collect from the streams along the way.



You will need to be nutritionally self sufficient for the days run only. Should you have your own personal 'race' fuel, please bring that with.



Make sure you bring any personal medication with you. Basic first aid will be available during the run, with professional medical support available at the start and finish.



Keep a lookout for the elusive Cape Mountain Leopard...or at least their tracks! No dangerous game to be concerned about.



Please make sure your medical evacuation insurance covers you for wilderness extraction.



Temperatures range from 50-77°F (10-25°C), but extreme days can be as low as 40°F (5°C) and over 86°F (30°C). While October is well outside the normal rainy season (May-Sep), there is always the chance of rain in the mountains. A down jacket is highly recommended, as well as a lightweight rain jacket, a good sunhat and sunscreen.



The running days are on set unmarked routes. You have the choice of keeping with one of the three speed groups, or running self-navigated using a GPS (either your own or one provided).



All group vehicle transfers are included, starting with the transfer to Table Mountain on the arrival day, and ending with the transfer back to Cape Town from Bushmanskloof. Any additional transfers can be arranged on request.





*The entry fee
includes & excludes*

This is a fully supported multi-day running experience in a remote wilderness area which includes six nights fully-catered, hotel and individual tented accommodation, with luxury bus transport from Cape Town, to and from the Cederberg. This also includes all entrance and permit fees, transport of personal items during the journey and logistical & medical support throughout.

Only personal race fuel, purchases of a personal nature and any gratuities are excluded.

Airport transfers and pre- and post-travel requirements can be arranged on request.



The package fee

	<i>All inclusive six night package</i>	<i>Donation to the Cape Leopard Trust*</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Single</i>	USD 16,000	USD 5,000	USD 21,000
<i>Sharing (per person)</i>	USD 11,000	USD 5,000	USD 16,000

A deposit of \$5,000 (per person) is required to secure your place.

**If you are a US citizen and require a U.S. 501(c)(3) tax exemption certificate, the donation to the Cape Leopard Trust can be paid separately.*

Entry T&C's apply.







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Support

Your participation in the Cape Leopard Wildrun will make a significant contribution to the ongoing efforts of the Cape Leopard Trust (CLT). While the CLT focusses on researching and conserving leopards and leopard landscapes, supporting coexistence between humans and wildlife and inspiring the next generation to care for the environment, they are but one pillar in a broader network of conservation partners committed to protecting biodiversity and the Cederberg wilderness area. You can find out more by visiting www.capeleopard.org.za

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