



Orbis Expeditions

School Partnerships in 2023 & Beyond...

Bi-lateral Global Citizenship Learning Expeditions to Malawi  
In partnership with SMP & Classroom for Malawi

Connecting Students with the world as Global Citizens





Orbis Expeditions is a specialist expedition company working in Educational, Experiential & Developmental Travel to Malawi.

We work with Schools, Universities, Charities, Businesses & Sports bodies creating highly personalised expeditions which connect people with the world as Global Citizens.

With over 15 years experience focusing on Social Impact Travel & Global Citizenship experiences within the Industry, Orbis are the primary Educational Travel providers to Malawi.

With offices in UK (Devon), Scotland (Edinburgh), USA (Texas), Denmark (Copenhagen) & Malawi (Blantyre).





## Our Global Development & Social Impact Framework

### Overview:

Our Passport for Life programmes have been designed to help educate students on vital issues affecting the world today, prior to taking their place as global citizens.

Our programmes provide an all-encompassing overview of development, encouraging students to actively learn and develop life-skills including communication, adaptability and leadership.

By linking groups together with on-the-ground 'agents of change', we're able to dissipate myths, widen horizons and promote transformational learning that sets students up to become successful and responsible citizens in today's widening society.

### Objective:

To provide students with practical examples of global development challenges offering maximum learning potential in combination with hands on experience.

### Educational Aim:

- To gain a basic understanding of the key developmental challenges facing rural communities in Malawi.
- To develop an understanding of cultural identity and how this influences sustainable development.
- To possess the skills and confidence to teach others about global sustainability issues.

### We believe that...

Experiential learning widens horizons and promotes transformational development, leading to an improved life & global skill set.





Our Global Development Workshops (GDW's) aim to develop bi-lateral community partnerships through the medium of international tourism.

Our programmes are heavily focused around the UN Global Goals, offering a number of practical Workshops across the country. Each of these can be tailored to the group's interests when building a programme framework.

We have partnered with two primary residential Training Centres, which specialise in developing Social Impact projects through bed night levy.

Every visit will have a direct financial benefit to the area, supporting and engaging with different initiatives, while learning first hand about social enterprise projects within rural African environments, creating positive symbiotic bi-lateral partnerships between organisations.

## Workshop Options

- ▶ Environment & Climate Change
- ▶ Healthcare & Village Based Homecare
- ▶ Education & Village Learning
- ▶ Water & Sanitation
- ▶ Sustainable Business Practice
- ▶ Business & Social Entrepreneurship
- ▶ Religion & Culture
- ▶ Agroforestry & Permaculture
- ▶ Food Production
- ▶ Sport for Development
- ▶ Music & Arts
- ▶ Homestay Initiatives
- ▶ City & Community Markets





## How we work with local communities in Malawi?

- We are linked with communities in Blantyre, Thyolo, Zomba, Lake Malawi & Central Malawi.
- We facilitate and support skills training and capacity building and work to link groups and individuals with community initiatives during their time in Malawi as well as when they return home.
- Our approach is bi-lateral, respectful and driven by equitable growth & sustainable development.
- We aim to ensure tourism generated income reaches local communities.

## UN Global Goals Sustainable Development Goals

1. No Poverty
2. Zero Hunger
3. Good Health and Well Being
4. Quality Education
5. Gender Equality
6. Clean Water and Sanitation
7. Affordable and Clean Energy
8. Decent Work and Economic Growth
9. Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure
10. Reduced Inequalities
11. Sustainable Cities/Communities
12. Responsible Production/Consumption
13. Climate Action
14. Life below Water
15. Life on Land
16. Peace and Justice - strong institutions
17. Partnerships for the goals





## **Hiking Mount Mulanje**

- 1-3 day hike on Central Africa's highest free standing mountain
- Reach one of Mulanje's 21 peaks.
- Ideal for a Team Building

## **Safari**

- Take a boat safari on The Shire River
- Head out on a night safari spotting the park's nocturnal wildlife
- Rise early for a morning walk tracking rhino

## **Lake Malawi**

- Kayak to one of Lake Malawi's islands for 1-3 nights Robinson Crusoe style
- Cook locally caught fish, learn how to canoe, snorkel with hundreds of species of Cyclid fish.



# Sample Programme



Each programme is tailored to your group's interests & budget, however a sample programme structure is based around 3 Primary Pillars;

1. School Partnership Project & Visit (CfM)
2. Global Citizenship Workshops
3. Experience & Team Building (Hiking, Safari, Lake)

A Sample Two Week Programme;

Day 1-4: School Link Partnership

Day 5-6: Mount Mulanje Hiking Challenge

Day 7-12: Village Development Workshops

Day 13-14: Safari & Lake Malawi Experience

Prices start from £2,500 pp for a 2 week programme (\*fully inclusive)





## What support will we have from UK?

- ▶ Full programme Planning
- ▶ Comprehensive Travel Support
- ▶ Flight Bookings
- ▶ Travel Documentation
- ▶ Parent & Teacher Presentations
- ▶ Full Industry Licences & Insurances
- ▶ Risk Assessments
- ▶ Air Evacuation Cover
- ▶ 24hr NHS Hotline
- ▶ Payment Plans
- ▶ Coach Bookings

## What support will we have from Malawi?

- ▶ 24 Hour Emergency Back up & Support
- ▶ Blantyre Based Head Office
- ▶ First Aid trained Guides
- ▶ Fully Insured Vehicles
- ▶ International Public Liability
- ▶ Comprehensive Risk Assessment Management Plans





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