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Flying Home  
Oil on Canvas  
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Lockdown presents many challenges and unforeseen circumstances.

I never thought in the last year of my studies I would study from home and not be able to go on campus.

My home is in Mpumalanga on a nature reserve, so I always enjoy going home in the holidays.

When I'm on the reserve it feels as though my family and I are the only people on the planet.

We are surrounded by beautiful grasslands, rivers and animals.

Other people and buildings are far away, the reserve makes it quite easy for social distancing.

These many months spent at home I immensely enjoyed, even though it makes doing projects for my studies a bit more challenging.

Flying home was inspired by a pair Shelducks we see on our daily walks.

Each day we go for a walk next to the river, during these walks we see a variety of animals such as Shelducks, rock hyrax (dassies), Egyptian geese, reedbuck, springbuck, fish eagles and occasionally a grumpy water monitor.

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