



BUSH VILLAS

Yingwe & Mangwa

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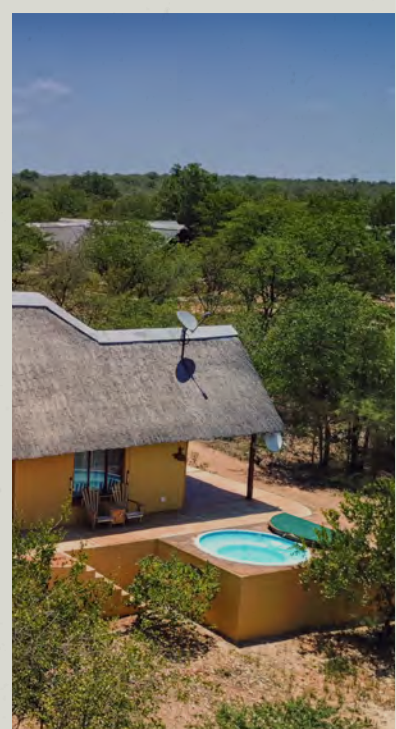
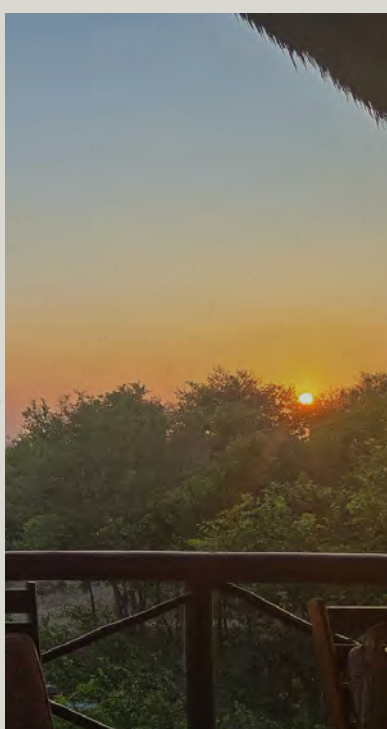
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Our villas are hidden within the bush, where privacy, space and nature come together. Designed to slow you down, they offer comfort without distraction. Soft light, open views and the sounds of the bush create a sense of calm.

This is a place to unwind, reconnect and simply be.

YINGWE

- living room
- 2 bedrooms
- 2 bathrooms
- 1 outside shower
- fully equipped kitchen
 - smart TV (DSTV)
 - private parking
 - private jacuzzi *1
- view over Kruger NP
 - +/- 100 m2
- dining table inside
- dining table outside
 - sofa inside
 - sofa outside
- Keith Hamilton Braai
 - games
 - books
 - solar
- back-up batteries
 - full privacy
 - alarm system
- free private WIFI
 - waterhole
- fireplace outside
 - large patio

MANGWA

- XXL living room
- 3 bedrooms
- 3 bathrooms
- 3 outside showers
- extra separate toilet
- fully equipped kitchen
 - TV (DSTV)
 - private parking
 - private jacuzzi *1
- view over Kruger NP
 - +/- 200 m2
- Large top deck
- dining table inside
- dining table outside
 - sofa inside
 - sofa outside
- Keith Hamilton Braai
 - games
 - books
- back-up batteries
 - full privacy
- free private WIFI
 - waterhole
- fireplace outside
 - large patio

**1 The jacuzzis are only heated on request before arrival and do not have bubble jets.*





TRAVEL TIPS

Especially for non-South Africans

You drive on the left. Easy reminder: as the driver, you are never on the side of the road's shoulder.

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Speed checks are everywhere. Stick to the limits.

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Tipping is normal, 10–15% is more than sufficient.

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Parking attendants appreciate a small tip, 5 rand is a kind gesture.

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Toll gates do not always accept foreign cards. Carry some cash.

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Malaria vaccinations are not required in our region. If you develop a fever, see a doctor immediately.

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Rent a solid, preferably higher car. Roads can be uneven and visibility in Kruger is better.

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If staying in Johannesburg, City Lodge at the airport is convenient and stress-free.

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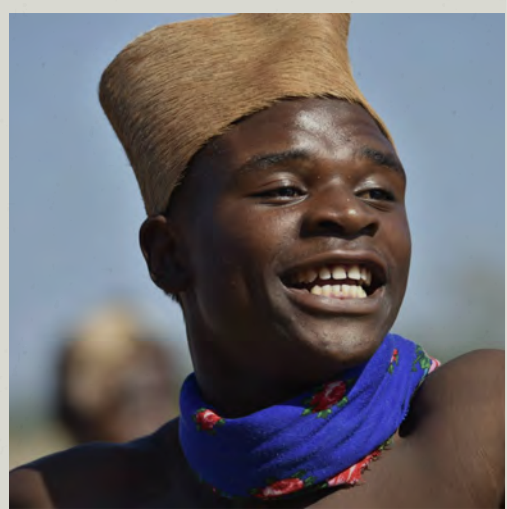
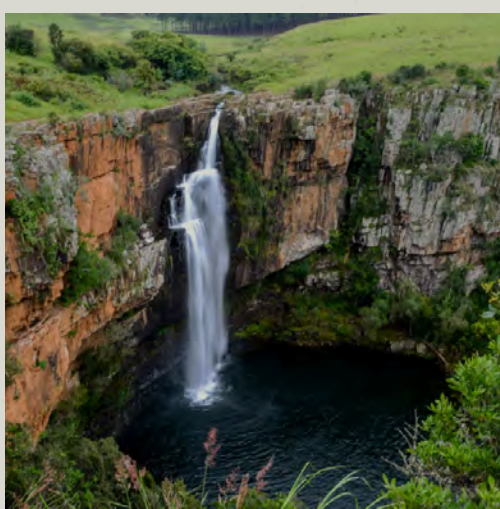
Avoid driving after dark.

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Go with the flow. South Africa moves at a relaxed pace.

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Restaurants are excellent and vegetarian options are widely available.,





WATERHOLES

Both villas overlook a waterhole that regularly attracts wildlife. Which animals you may see depends on the season and the amount of recent rainfall, but there is almost always something happening.

A camera is focused on the waterhole, allowing us to observe it remotely. The camera is aimed only at the waterhole and does not record sound or any part of the patio or living areas. On request, we can add guests to the camera feed so you can watch along yourself.

Please be aware that when you walk towards the waterhole, you are visible from that area. Wildlife may be present at any time. Animals should never be fed or approached.

In addition to larger animals, birdlife is abundant. If you keep your voice low and take a moment to listen, you may be surprised by what appears. Often, the most beautiful moments happen when everything is quiet.





SILONQUE HOLIDAY ESTATE

Silonque Holiday Estate is a small and thoughtfully designed bush estate located just outside Phalaborwa, bordering the Kruger National Park.

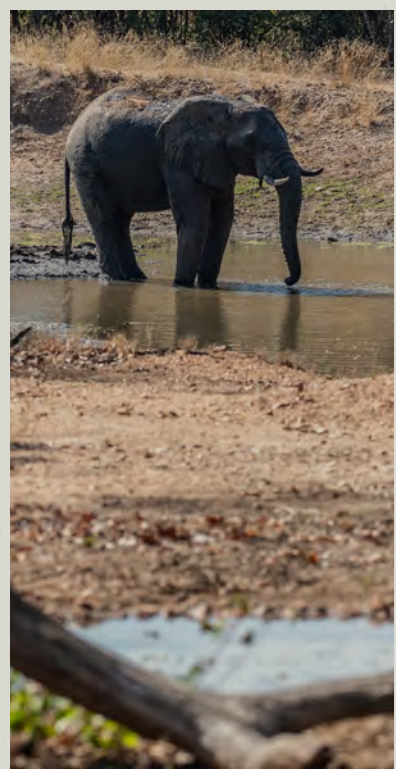
The estate is intentionally kept intimate, with a limited number of homes set within natural bushland to ensure space, privacy and tranquility.

Guests can enjoy shared facilities such as an infinity swimming pool overlooking the bush, a tennis court and a scenic viewpoint. From these spots, it is common to watch wildlife pass by or to take in the wide, open views of the surrounding landscape.

The layout of the estate has been carefully planned, allowing each home to feel private while remaining connected to nature. Paths, buildings and communal areas are subtly integrated into the bush, preserving the natural character of the area.

This unique combination of small-scale design, shared facilities and a prime location makes Silonque a truly special place to stay.

Walking around Silonque at night is strongly discouraged as wildlife moves freely across the estate. If you need to step outside in the evening, keep it brief and always use a torch.





ROUTE

Getting to Phalaborwa

Most international guests fly into Johannesburg (O.R. Tambo International Airport) and continue their journey by rental car. The drive to Phalaborwa usually takes around 6 to 7 hours, depending on traffic and stops. The most common route is via Polokwane. An alternative route via Dullstroom is very scenic, but road conditions can be less consistent. Both routes are explained in more detail on the next page.

A convenient alternative is to fly to Hoedspruit (Eastgate Airport, also known as Maruleng Airport). From Hoedspruit, you can rent a car and reach Phalaborwa in about one hour, making this an easy and comfortable option.

Driving in South Africa

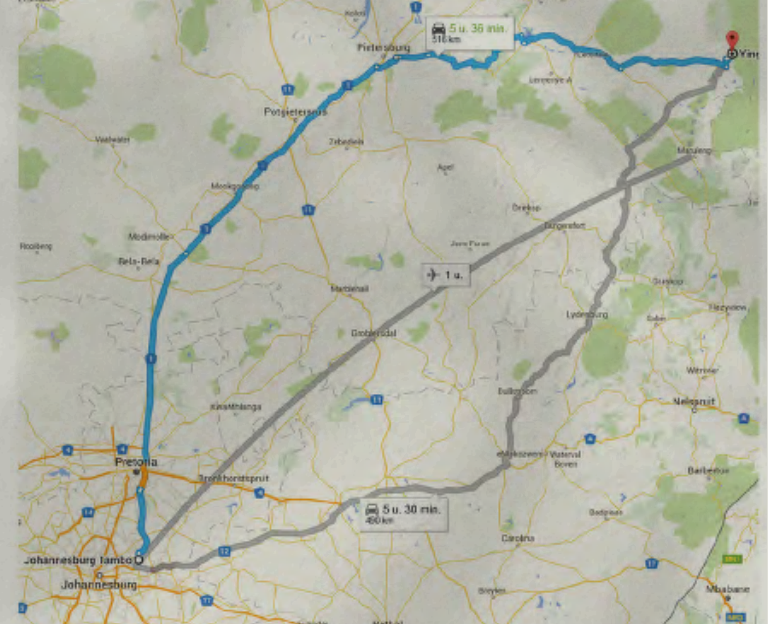
Main roads are generally in good condition and easy to navigate. Please note that driving is on the left-hand side. We strongly advise against driving at night, as animals may be on the road and visibility is limited. Always make sure you have sufficient fuel, especially on longer drives.

Speed checks are common, so it is important to respect the speed limits at all times. Staying calm, friendly and relaxed at roadblocks usually helps.

Please note that: international credit cards are not accepted at the toll roads.

Having around R700 in cash is more than sufficient to reach the house without any issues.





ROUTE

There are two main routes to reach the Keybox: either from the Kruger National Park or from the opposite direction, likely Johannesburg.

From Kruger National Park

Exiting the park, continue straight on the E71. Look out for Spekboom Street on your right and turn onto it. Follow the road to the very end (it will turn into a dirt road). At the end of the road, turn right. The second gate on your left is Masorini Bush Lodge, where you'll find the keybox attached to the entrance gate (hidden on the right side)

From Johannesburg

Please note that international credit cards are not accepted at the toll roads. Having around R700 in cash is more than sufficient.

- Take the N1 north toward Polokwane or the N4 toward Lydenburg—both routes work well.
- Once you arrive in Phalaborwa via the E71, turn left at the first intersection onto Spekboom Street.
- Follow the road to the very end (it will turn into a dirt road).
- At the end of the road, turn right.
- The second gate on your left is Masorini Bush Lodge, where you'll find the keybox on the entrance gate (hidden on the right side)





RULES & REGULATIONS

These guidelines help keep Silonque safe, peaceful and enjoyable for everyone:

- *Smoking is strictly prohibited inside the house.*
 - *Use water and electricity responsibly.*
- *Keep noise levels down between 9:00 PM and 7:00 AM*
 - *The use of drones is not allowed.*
- *Report any broken or damaged items immediately.*
- *Remember, all items in the house are privately owned.*
 - *Do not approach, feed or disturb wildlife.*
- *All visitors must be reported for insurance purposes.*
 - *Children must be supervised at all times.*
- *Please do not flush sanitary products, baby wipes, or other non-biodegradable items down the toilet.*

Before You Leave to help us prepare the house for the next guests, we kindly ask you to:

- ***Ensure all doors and windows are securely closed.***
 - ***Turn off all appliances.***
 - ***Leave all garbage inside the house.***
 - ***Check out by 10:00 AM.***

- *Important Notice*

- *Failure to comply with these house rules constitutes a breach of your reservation terms and conditions.*

If anything is unclear, don't hesitate to contact us for clarification. We reserve the right to evict any guest or visitor who fails to adhere to these rules.





SAFARI

There are several ways to experience the Kruger National Park, ranging from guided safaris to exploring the park at your own pace.

A popular option is an open-vehicle safari with a professional guide, available as a half-day or full-day experience. This can be arranged through a local operator or directly at the Kruger National Park gate. Guided safaris offer excellent visibility and valuable insight into wildlife behaviour.

We highly recommend Shane Royal Safaris, a trusted local operator. Kruger National Park itself also offers guided walking safaris.

For a completely different perspective, consider a boat safari on the Olifants River with Kambaku Boat Safari.

We are happy to assist with arrangements, or you may contact the operators directly:

Shane Royal Safaris (Elias) +27 786 128 777

Kambaku Boat Safari (Leon) +27 82 889 4797

Kruger NP – Phalaborwa Gate +27 13 735 3547



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1. Full day Kruger Safari (05h30 – 16h30)

R 1 780.00pp adult, child under 11 years
R 1 380.00 pp exclude conservation fees
(R 602.00 Adult/Child R 301.00) International rate.
Meals Breakfast, Lunch and drinks included.

2. Half day Kruger AM or PM (6 hours)

R 1 350.00 pp adult, child under 11 years
R 1 050.00 pp exclude conservation fees
(R 602.00 Adult/Child R 301.00) International rate.
Safari 05h30 am to 12h00 pm include Breakfast
Safari 11h30 am to 18h00 pm include Lunch

3. Sunset or Sunrise Kruger (3 hours)

R 950.00 pp adult, child R 750.00 exclude
conservation fees (R 602.00 Adult/Child R 301.00)
International rate, Drinks included.
Times Sunset Kruger 14h30 pm to 18h00
Sunrise Kruger 05h30 am to 09h00 am

4. Village life experience AM or PM

in the townships and villages around Phalaborwa
R 1 150.00 pp, children under 11 years R 800.00 pp.
Drinks included.
AM tour 08H00 am to 12H00 pm.
PM tour 13h00 pm to 17H00 pm.

5. Blyde Canyon Tour on panorama

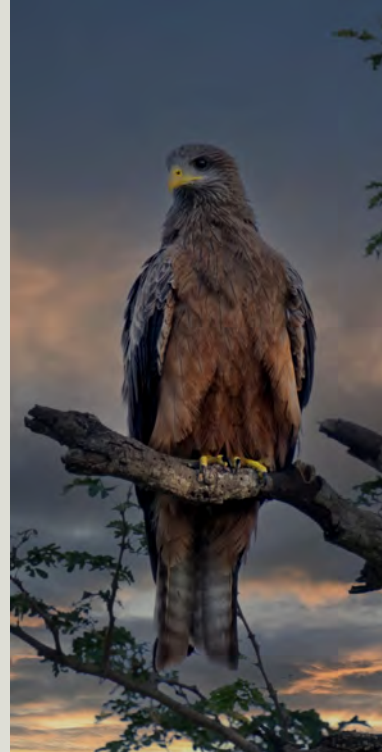
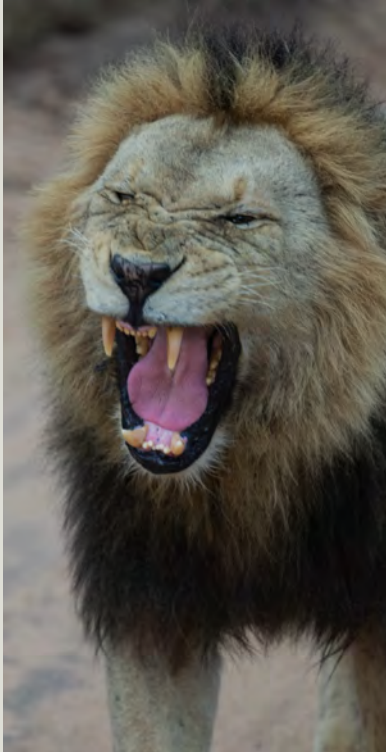
R 3 250.00 pp, children under 11 years R 2 950.00pp.
Lunch in Restaurant at guest own cost.
Drinks included
07h00 am to 16H30 pm

6. Moholoholo Wild Life Rehabilitation tour

and Reptile Park/Jessica the Hippo
R 3 250.00.00 pp, children under 11 years R 2 950.00,
Lunch in Restaurant at guest own account.
Drinks included.
08h00 am to 16H30 pm

7. Hoedspruit Airport Transfer

R 1 350.00 pp, child R 950.00 pp



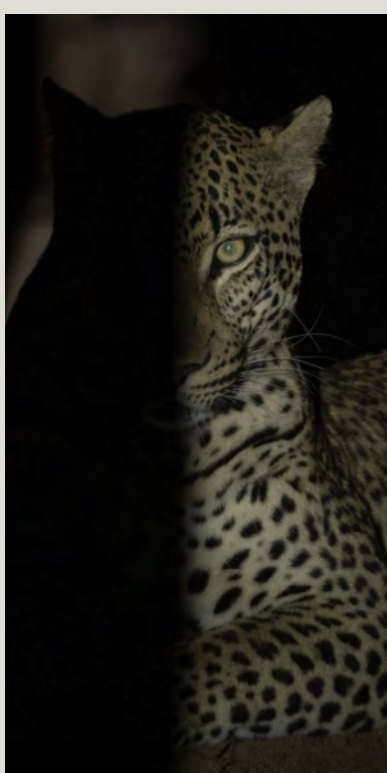
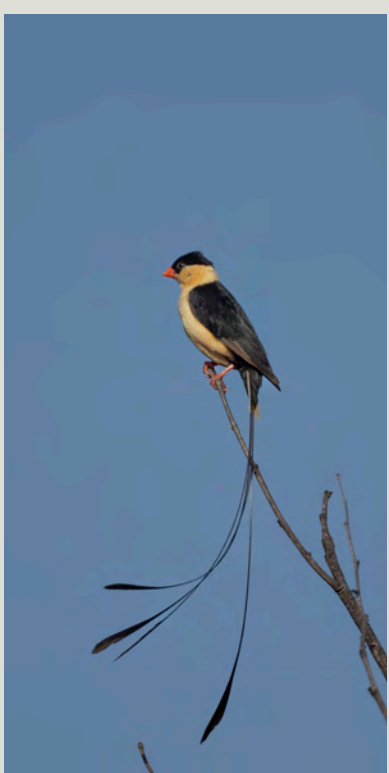
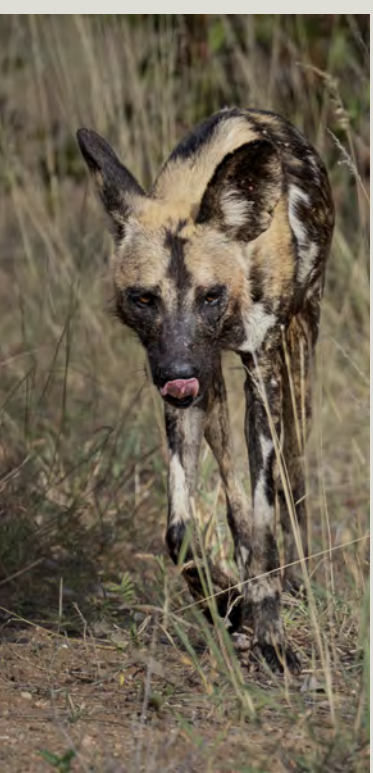
KRUGER NATIONAL PARK

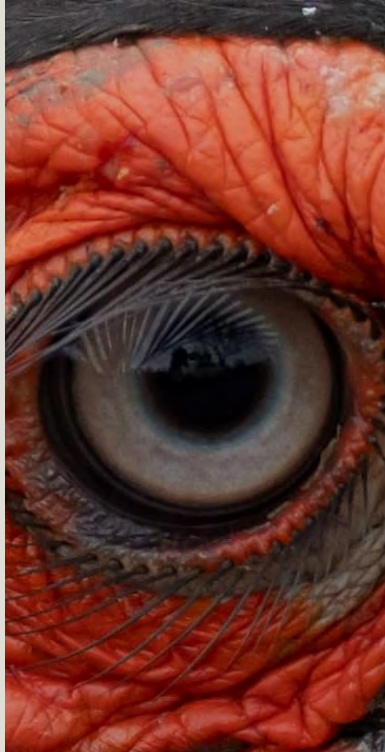
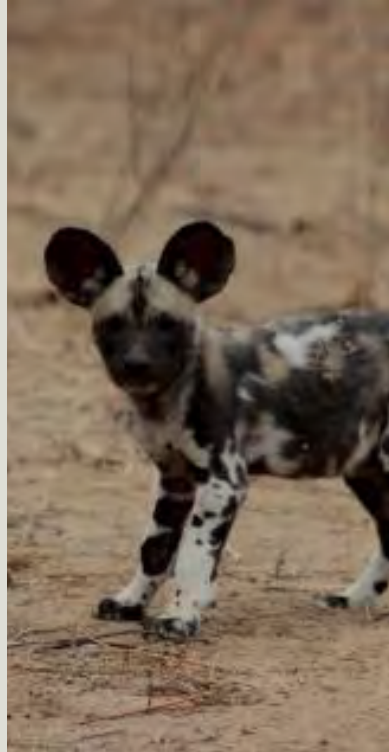
The Kruger National Park lies right next to Sionke and offers one of Africa's most rewarding wildlife experiences. No two visits are ever the same. Some days bring memorable sightings, others are about the landscape, the silence and the sense of space.

For guests visiting Kruger for the first time, we often recommend starting with a guided safari. A professional guide helps you learn how to spot wildlife, understand animal behaviour and read the bush. This makes exploring the park on your own afterwards far more enjoyable.

If you prefer to self-drive, you are free to explore at your own pace. On request, we are happy to create suggested driving routes for you, tailored to your available time and interests. These routes are provided free of charge and are designed to help you make the most of your day in the park.

Whether guided or self-driven, a visit to Kruger is about slowing down, observing and experiencing one of the world's most remarkable natural environments.





Tips for Visiting Kruger National Park

Entering the park early in the morning or later in the afternoon gives you the best chance of seeing wildlife, as animals are more active during these cooler hours. Take your time while driving, stop regularly and enjoy the surroundings. In Kruger, patience is often rewarded.

Please respect the speed limits at all times. The maximum speed is 50 km/h on tar roads and 30 km/h on gravel roads. Driving slowly not only increases your chances of spotting animals, it also helps protect wildlife and keeps everyone safe.

At animal sightings, be considerate of other visitors. Avoid blocking the road, leave space for others to stop and keep moving once you have had a good view. Sharing sightings makes the experience more enjoyable for everyone.

You can purchase a Kruger Wildcard, which offers unlimited access for one year. The Wildcard can be bought online or at the reception at the park gate and is worth considering if you plan to visit the park five days or more in a year. For fewer visits, a day ticket is usually the better option.

Bring enough water, sun protection and allow plenty of time. Kruger is not about rushing from sighting to sighting, but about slowing down and experiencing the bush.

If you would like route suggestions or practical advice before heading into the park, we are always happy to help.



Things to do

What else can be done besides spotting wildlife?

PANORAMA ROUTE

The Panorama Route is one of South Africa's most scenic drives and is well worth a day trip from Siongnwe. The route takes you through dramatic mountain landscapes, deep valleys and spectacular viewpoints. Highlights include Bourke's Luck Potholes, the iconic Three Rondavels, Lisbon Falls and God's Window.

MAGOEBASKLOOF

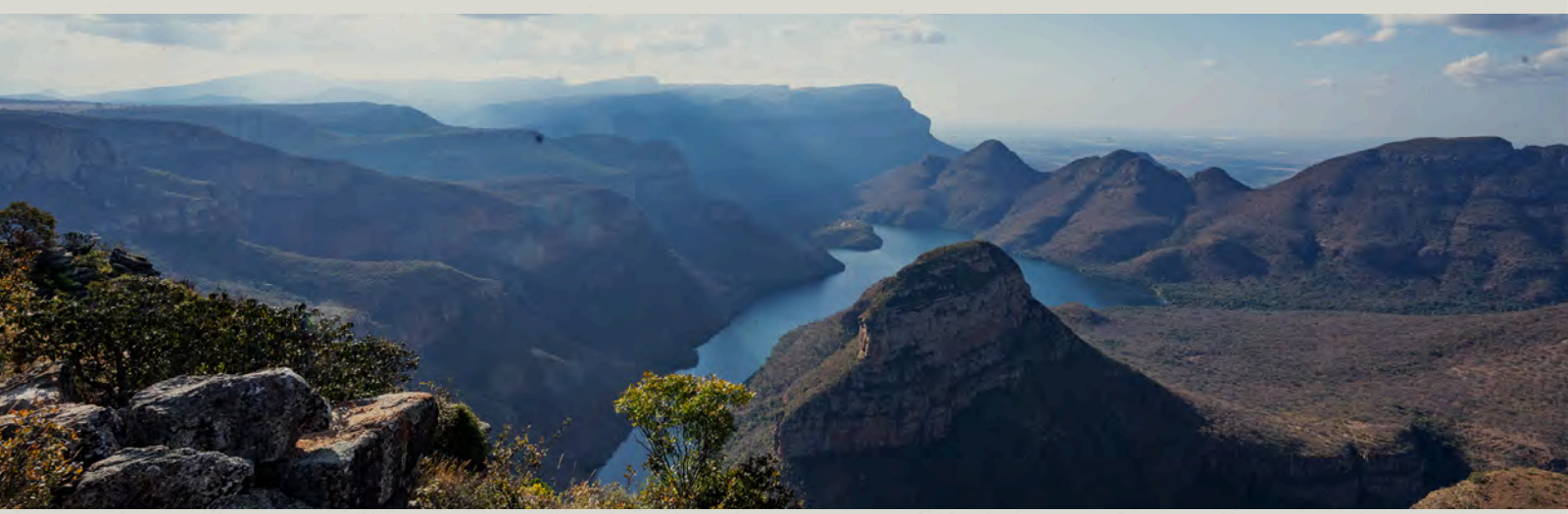
The Magoebaskloof is a lush, mountainous area known for its misty forests, winding roads and cooler climate. One of the highlights is the spectacular zip-line experience with Magoebaskloof Adventures, gliding high above the forest canopy. The area is also home to beautiful waterfalls, including the well-known Debengeni Falls.

HESC

The Hoedspruit Endangered Species Centre offers a meaningful insight into wildlife conservation in South Africa. The centre focuses on the protection and rehabilitation of endangered species, including cheetahs, rhinos and other vulnerable animals. A safari at HESC is highly recommended (reservation is needed)

HORSE BACK RIDING

Experience the bush from a completely different perspective on a guided horseback ride through the Phalaborwa area. Riding quietly through the landscape allows you to connect with nature in a calm and immersive way. No riding experience is required, as the horses are well trained and the pace is relaxed. Along the way, you may encounter wildlife while enjoying wide views and the sounds of the bush. Horseback riding is offered locally by Equatana Stables and can be booked directly with them. Hennie Groenewald +27 68064 0220





SHOPS

Phalaborwa is a fantastic town to have close by, offering everything you need during your stay.

Most shops can be found by crossing the E71 from Silonque and taking the second road on your right (just past Toyota).

Supermarkets

Checkers: The largest supermarket, offering a wide selection of groceries.

Woolworths: Known for premium-quality food—at a premium price.

Pick & Pay: Located in Eden Mall.

Spar: Conveniently situated near the Kruger Gate.

Shops

The **Eden Mall** is home to a variety of stores and services, including: Pharmacies, Clothing stores, Jewelry shops, A phone repair shop, Banks and a pizza restaurant

Checkers is part of another **shopping center**, which also features: Banks, Game and Clothing stores

Hidden Gem: "In House"

If you cross the E71 and take the first road on your right, you'll find "In House". This shop is worth visiting, and they have a coffee and lunch corner, a perfect spot to enjoy a delicious treat!





EAT your heart OUT

Where to Eat in Phalaborwa and Beyond

Phalaborwa offers a variety of restaurants to suit every taste. Here are some great options to explore:

In Phalaborwa:

Bushveld Terrace: Located just before the Kruger Gate on your left, this is perhaps the most popular restaurant in the area. Their steaks and Lemon Meringue Pie are highly recommended!

KFC: Conveniently situated in front of Checkers, it's a hit with younger visitors looking for a quick bite.

Yurok Spur: A family-friendly "fast food" option located outside Eden Mall.

The Calabash Grill Restaurant at Sefapane: A fantastic option for a hearty meal. As you head towards Kruger, turn right just before Spar, and you'll find their entrance just after the first crossing. (at Bushvilla's on Kruger resort)

The Three Bridges: Perfect for a meal or coffee on your way to the Panorama Route or Maruleng. This spot also features a cool crafts shop to browse while you're there.

Dining in Kruger National Park

Kruger's many camps offer great dining options:

Letaba Camp: Ideal for a leisurely lunch. It's about 50 kilometers into the park, typically a 2-hour drive. Other recommended camps: **Mopani, Olifants, and Satara**, all within reach of a day visit and worth trying.

Kambaku River Safari: Every Wednesday, they host a braai night with massive steaks! For something extra special, you can book their short boat safari combined with dinner.

At Masorini Lodge:

The lodge where you took your keys out of the keybox also offers dinner on request. We highly recommend trying it!





YOUR HOSTS

We are originally from the Netherlands and first came to Silonque out of a love for nature, space and the rhythm of the African bush. In 2014, we bought our first home on the estate, and from that moment on, Silonque became a place we kept returning to, with our daughter and later also with friends and family.

At home in the Netherlands we run our own business in corporate clothing, a busy and creative life that contrasts beautifully with the calm and openness of the bush. Silonque offers us exactly what we value most: time, space and connection with nature.

Over the years, we have come to know the area well and we genuinely enjoy sharing our experiences. Whether it is advice about safaris, routes, restaurants or practical matters, we are always happy to help and make your stay as comfortable and memorable as possible.

If you have any questions before or during your stay, please feel free to contact us. Through Whatsapp is the best way.

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We hope Silonque will feel like a special place to you, just as it has been to us for many years.

Guido & Mireille Bos



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