

General Information

Location

Buffalo Ridge Safari Lodge is situated at a prime site in the west of the Madikwe Game Reserve, straddling the Tweedepoort Ridge with expansive views across the northern plains and Inselbergs. The central lodge sits on the slopes of a hill across a ravine, separating it from the chalets. Each of the chalets is positioned on the ridge with expansive views to the North. Buffalo Ridge Safari Lodge opened in November 2004.

GPS Location: 24°46'02.50"S 26°12'10.82"E

Accommodation

The lodge has 8 suites, each with their own viewing deck, decorated in natural hues of colour and texture, offering a very private and luxurious experience. The thatched suites, with sliding doors from each room and shower allows our guests to experience a oneness with the bushveld.

Facilities

The main lodge is spectacularly located on two tiers of the ridge, accessed via a wooden bridge that crosses a ravine surrounded by rock figs. Each of the living areas has its own character, mood and style providing guests with a choice of breath-taking views and tranquil spaces. The lodge has reception, dining, lounge, upper and lower deck and swimming pool areas.

Activities

Open vehicle game drives, stargazing, bush dining, birding, botanical interests. Madikwe is home to a tremendous diversity of fauna and flora, including both black and white rhino, buffalo, elephant, lion, leopard, cheetah and wild dog. The lodge is a superb open vehicle safari destination where guests are accompanied by well -trained and informative rangers who are able to interpret the many encounters whilst on safari.

What to take

Comfortable walking shoes, sun hat, sunglasses, sun block, cameras, binoculars, light neutral-coloured clothing and bathing suit in summer; and warm clothing and jackets are essential in winter (May to October).

Climate

Summer - October to March

Rainy season with hot days and warm nights. Temperatures 25°C - 40°C.

Winter - April to September

Dry season with generally warm days and cold nights. Temperatures 0°C - 25°C.

How to get there

Daily scheduled flights are operated from Johannesburg International Airport to the Madikwe Airstrip with Federal Air / Madikwe Air Charters. Private air -charters are organised on request. It is only a 4-hour drive from Johannesburg to Buffalo Ridge – Road transfers can be arranged and Self-drive is possible in 2x4 vehicles.

Directions to Buffalo Ridge

- From Johannesburg International Airport now O.R. TAMBO AIRPORT –
- Take R21 to Pretoria
- Take N1 North on the N1 towards the N4 Toll Road
- Take the N4 Toll road north west towards Rustenburg, Swartruggens, Groot Marico and Zeerust
- Once in Zeerust turn right at the fourth stop street into President Street. There is a signpost on the left that says "Madikwe Game Reserve/Gaborone" and a First National Bank on the corner to the right
- Follow the R49 towards the reserve for approximately 97km
- The first entrance to the reserve is Abjaterskop gate
- Pass that gate and enter at the next gate Wonderboom Gate exactly 7km from the first gate.

Contact details for Buffalo Ridge Safari Lodge: 018 365 9908 - Godfrey or Priscilla GPS: S24 46min 0.11 sec | E26 12min 17 sec

