

FACT SHEET



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BUSHWA PRIVATE GAME LODGE



INTRODUCTION

Perched high on a koppie and with expansive views of the Waterberg Mountains, Bushwa Private Game Lodge is situated in a malaria free area of the Limpopo Province.

This hidden gem, with accommodation including the main lodge and a treehouse, offers a variety of activities – from guided game drives, lazy days at the swimming pool to spa treatments of the ultra luxurious kind. At less than three hours drive from Johannesburg, it is the ideal breakaway spot from the hustle and bustle of city life.

With a prolific bird and animal life and delectable local cuisine, this piece of bushveld paradise will sooth the soul.

AT A GLANCE

- Check in time: 14:00. Check out time: 11:00.
- Accommodation in chalets and tents with viewing decks giving rise to expansive wilderness views
- Self-catering bush camp available for families and small groups



- Sparkling rim-flow swimming pool overlooking the Waterberg biosphere
- Treehouse overlooking a waterhole
- Fully functional spa offering various treatments
- Flexibility in terms of guests' needs
- Situated in malaria free area, a mere 3 hours drive from the centre of Johannesburg
- Knowledgeable guides
- Natural finishings complimenting the surrounding bush
- Home grown vegetables and fresh produce served with meals

FACILITIES

- Quaint swimming pool on wooden deck with expansive views
- Small waterhole in front of lodge
- WiFi available throughout lodge
- Fully stocked bar with fine wine selection
- Spa room/two luxury chalets/two luxury safari style tents/rustic romantic treehouse/traditional bush camp
- Plug points available in all rooms and dining area
- Mosquito nets in rooms
- Boma area with campfire
- Under-the-stars-dining area overlooking the wilderness
- En-suite bathrooms with private outdoor showers
- Pedestal fans in each room
- Credit card facilities

ACTIVITIES

- Early morning and later afternoon game drives with qualified field guides

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- Optional guided bushwalks
- Bird watching
- Luxury spa
- Private breakfasts and lunch available on request
- Boma dinners around the fire

TYPICAL DAY AT BUSHWA PRIVATE GAME LODGE

Each morning begins with a game drive in the Waterberg region, followed by breakfast. Daily schedule is as follows (depending on season):

- **05h15** - Wake up call at first light, followed by coffee and rusks at the lodge
- **05h45 - 09h00** - Morning game drive, or other pre-planned activity
- **09h00 - 11h00** - A gourmet breakfast is served, and guests will spend the rest of the day at leisure
- **14h00** - Light lunch
- **16h00 - 19h00** - Afternoon and evening game drive, complete with sundowners
- **19h30** - Dinner is served. After dinner guests can relax around the campfire in the boma area.

LOCATION

Bushwa Private Game Lodge is located in a private reserve within the Greater Waterberg Biosphere in the Limpopo province. The nearest town is Vaalwater.

HOW TO GET THERE

Bushwa Private Game Lodge is located in a private reserve within the Greater Waterberg Biosphere in the Limpopo province, and is an easy self-drive journey, with the closest town being Vaalwater and the closest major international airport being O.R Tambo.

There are Toll gates en route, so do be aware that you

will need to pay road tolls. We estimate the drive to be between 2 - 3 hours, dependent on traffic.

Follow the R21 from O.R Tambo towards Pretoria, the R21 becomes the N1. Follow the N1 through Pretoria until you reach a toll gate (Kranskop) where you will take the Modimolle/Nylstroom turn-off.

Head towards Vaalwater, turn right at the SPAR shop onto the R33 Ellisras/Lepalale Road. After 10km turn right at the Zanddrift dirt road for 5km. Turn left at Bushwa Game lodge sign.

GPS Co-ordinates: S 24° 11' 39" S 28° 11' 28

RATES

R1850 per person sharing / Single supplement R2100

CHILD POLICY

Children under 12 pay 50% of the adult rate.

RATE INCLUDES

Rates all meals, drives, teas & coffees

RATE EXCLUDES

Transfers, drinks, all items of personal nature, any item not described above

GENERAL TRAVEL INFO:

Weather

Daytime temperatures range between 14 and 25°C. The dry season runs from May to September, with June and July relatively cool and August and September hot and humid. The wet season begins in November and finishes in March. April is autumn and a transition month while late September to early November is spring. While its

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levels of annual rainfall – which range between 485mm and 719mm – are not exceptional, there are plenty of permanent sources of water.

Wildlife

The Waterberg has a wider variety of flora and fauna than elsewhere in Africa. The diverse reserve sustains over 40 species of game including buffalo, sable, giraffe, nyala, gemsbok (oryx), kudu, eland, blue wildebeest (gnu), red hartebeest, zebra, impala, bushbuck, duiker, steenbuck, mountain reedbuck, waterbuck, warthog, blesbuck, baboons, bushpig, klipspringer, leopard, jackal, brown hyena, caracal, civet and genet to name but a few. In addition there are well over 300 species of resident and migrant birds.

Game Drive Vehicles

Take full advantage of the best times of the day for game viewing, dawn and dusk. Open safari vehicles with expert guides offer prime viewing experiences and an educational opportunity.

Malaria

Bushwa Private Game Lodge is situated in a malaria free safari area.

WHAT TO PACK

During the summer months the weather can be hot and sticky. You may want to bring a few outfits.

- Comfortable walking shoes
- Sun hat, sunglasses and sunblock
- Cameras and binoculars
- Light, neutral coloured clothing
- Bathing suit
- Warm jackets essential in winter (May – Oct)
- Beanie and gloves – the mornings are cold during winter

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