

FACTSHEET



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INTRODUCTION

nThambo Tree Camp is the sister camp to Africa on Foot and offers affordable, luxury accommodation in your choice of five wooden tented cabins on stilts. Located eye-level with the trees, it's ideally situated to game watch from the comfort of your verandah. The camp is not fenced off and you will hear animals grazing nearby. Don't be surprised to see elephants drinking from the splash pool in front of camp.

There is an outdoor lounge and dining area, under thatch, that offers guests beautiful views of the plain and small waterhole in front of camp, as well as the Drakensberg mountain range in the distance.

The camp prides itself on being eco-friendly – nThambo uses a grey water system, solar power and has an in-house recycling program.

AT A GLANCE

- Big Five game drives and optional bush walks
- Accommodation on stilts eye-level with the trees
- Lion pride sightings
- Eco-friendly camp
- Knowledgeable guides
- Affordable luxury Kruger Safari
- Flexibility in terms of guests' needs
- There are only 5 cabins/tents sleeping a maximum of 10 guests
- The Klaserie is one the least "commercially developed" reserves in the Kruger

FACILITIES

- Splash pool with decking area
- Small watering hole in front of camp
- WiFi in lounge area
- Fully stocked bar
- Small library area stocked with reading material
- 5 cabins/tents/rooms on stilts
- Plug points in chalets and in the main area
- Mosquito nets in rooms
- Boma area with campfire
- Safari dining area overlooking the wilderness
- Showers only
- Pedestal fans in each room
- Credit card facilities
- Weddings can be arranged upon request
- Air horns in each room in case of emergency

ACTIVITIES

- Evening and morning game drives
- Optional walking safaris offered after breakfast
- Sundowners in the bush
- Breakfast in the bush (on request)
- Bird watching
- Boma dinners around the fire
- Traditional South African braaivleis (barbecue) cooked over the open fire.



A TYPICAL DAY AT nTHAMBO TREE CAMP

Each morning begins with a game drive in the Klaserie, followed by breakfast and the option of a bush walk thereafter. Daily schedule is as follows (depending on season):

- 05h00 – Wake up call followed by coffee and rusks at the lodge
- 05h30-06h00 – Depart for game drive
- 08h30-09h00 – Breakfast served at the lodge
- 10h00 – Depart for bush walk (optional)
- 14h30 – Lunch is served at the lodge followed by something sweet for high tea
- 16h00-16h30 – Depart for game drive
- 20h00 – Dinner is served at the lodge

LOCATION

nThambo Tree Camp is located in the heart of the Klaserie Private Nature Reserve. The reserve shares unfenced borders with the Kruger National Park and is west of the Timbavati, covering 60 000 ha on either side of the Klaserie River. As there are no fences wildlife roams free between the major reserves that form the Greater Kruger Park, which include the Klaserie, Timbavati, Manyeleti, Sabi Sands and the Kruger National Park.

GPS Co-ordinates for nThambo Tree Camp:
S 24 degrees 17.438"
E 031 degrees 13.836"

HOW TO GET THERE

Guests have the below options:

- 1) Self-drive to the camp.
- 2) Fly from Johannesburg, Durban or Cape Town to either of Hoedspruit or Nelspruit Airports and then arrange a road transfer to the camp through our reservations office.
- 3) There is a daily shuttle service from Pretoria / Johannesburg / OR Tambo that departs approx 6am and arrives at the Timbavati Gate at approx 1pm. Return shuttle also available and both transfers can be booked through our reservations office.





GENERAL TRAVEL INFO

Weather

The average mean rainfall for the year is 350mm, with most rainfall occurring during mid-summer (November - February). The rainfall generally occurs in the form of thunderstorms where a downpour is experienced, very seldom lasting longer than a few hours.

The mean average maximum temperatures range from 24.5°C in July to 31.5°C in January with the mean monthly minimum occurring in July at a temperature of 8.5°C.

Wildlife

During the dry season the vegetation is sparse and wildlife congregates around watering holes. During the wet season the vegetation is dense and wildlife is more dispersed. Expect to see the Big Five over the course of a 2-3 night stay. There are two resident prides that traverse the Africa on Foot area – the Ross and Giraffe pride.

In addition to the **Big Five** animals that are regularly sighted include giraffe, zebra, warthog, spotted hyena, baboon, hippo, impala, kudu, vervet monkey, waterbuck, wildebeest, bushbaby, mongoose, duiker and steenbok.

You might also see wild dog, cheetah, honey badger, porcupine, aardvark, civet, caracal and serval. Birds that are regularly seen are vultures, owls, bee-eaters, rollers, eagles, bustards, hornbills, starlings and shrikes.

Game Drive Vehicles

On game drives you are able to get a lot closer to big game. The animals are generally habituated to the vehicle. This means that they are used to the vehicle approaching them and know that it never causes them harm. This enables you to get within five to 10 metres of the large animals – and safely! All game drives are conducted in open 4 x 4 Toyota Land Cruisers or Landrovers.

Malaria

The Klaserie region is a low risk malaria area. It is best to consult your local Doctor for advice. Generally, the type of medication needed for the Kruger area is Malarone, Doxycycline or Mefloquine. Mosquitos are more prevalent in the wet, warmer season. Mosquito repellent and creams are also great preventative measures.

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