

RIVER

SAFARI LODGE

A sanctuary shaped by water and wilderness, Karongwe River Safari Lodge offers a cinematic setting where every moment unfolds with intimacy, refinement, and a deep connection to place. Spacious suites, wide decks, and tranquil spaces invite you to pause between game drives. Intimate and unique, the lodge sits on the banks of the Makhutswi River with the Drakensberg Escarpment rising in the distance. Guests enjoy gourmet plated meals, warm hospitality, and a setting that is ideal for honeymoons, small romantic weddings, or simply time together. Expansive viewing decks, a bird hide, a swimming pool, and elegant lounges ensure that the river is never far – its shimmer in the morning sun, its cool reflection in the afternoon, its calm silver at night.

WHY RIVER

- Exclusive, intimate, and romantic
- Set on the riverbed of the Makhutswi River
- Gourmet plated meals
- Bird hide at the dam
- Ideal for honeymoons and small romantic weddings
- Close access to the Greater Kruger National Park
- Set in the beautiful Drakensberg Escarpment

SUMMER SEASON ITINERARY

01 Jan – 30 Apr & 01 Aug – 31 Dec

05h00: Wakeup Call
Hot drinks and rusks in the Main Area
05h30 – 08h30: Morning Game Drive
09h00: Breakfast
13h30 – 15h00: Lunch
16h00 – 19h00: Afternoon Game Drive
19h30: Dinner

WINTER SEASON ITINERARY

01 May – 31 Jul

05h30: Wakeup Call
Hot drinks and rusks in the Main Area
06h00 – 09h00: Morning Game Drive
09h30: Breakfast
13h30 – 15h00: Lunch
15h30 – 18h30: Afternoon Game Drive
19h00: Dinner

MALARIA

Karongwe Game Reserve is situated in a low-malaria Area. We still recommend you visit your GP before your visit.

CHILDREN'S POLICY

- 0–2 yrs: Stay free (reserve fees apply)
- 3–11 yrs: 50% of adult rate (when sharing with adults)
- 12+ yrs: Adult rate
- Under 6 yrs: Not permitted on game drives
- Little Paws programme available at an additional cost

WIFI

Complimentary WiFi is available (limited)

PARKING

Secure parking available on-site

LAUNDRY

Same-day laundry service available at additional cost (weather permitting).

FACILITIES

- 5 Luxury Suites (1 wheelchair accessible)
- 2 Family Suites
- 2 Executive Suites
- 2 Presidential Suites (honeymoon)
- 1 Guide Room
- Main swimming pool
- Dining area and deck (breakfast/ lunch/ dinner)
- Boma (weather permitting)
- Bird Hide
- Triple Rooms subject to availability

ROOM AMENITIES

- King-size beds / Queen-size beds with mosquito nets
- Private decks
- Air-conditioning
- Mini bar fridge (with filtered water)
- Coffee/tea Facilities
- Hair Dryer
- Safe
- Complimentary amenities
- Presidential Suites: bath, shower & private plunge pool

CELLPHONE RECEPTION

Limited cellphone reception.

VOLTAGE & PLUGS

220 V. International adaptors available. Shaver plugs available in bathrooms.

CLOSEST AIRPORT

Hoedspruit

TRANSFERS

Can be arranged directly with Central Reservations at an additional cost.

CLOSEST TOWNS

Hoedspruit or Tzaneen

DOCTORS & HOSPITALS

Hoedspruit or Tzaneen Medi Clinic

DIRECTIONS

FROM JOHANNESBURG

Take the N4 motorway towards Mbombela (Nelspruit), passing eMalahleni (Witbank) and Middleburg. Turn left into eMakhazeni (Belfast). Once in eMakhazeni, follow the signs and turn right towards Dullstroom, passing through Mashishing (Lydenburg). Continue on the R36 to Ohrigstad and the JG Strydom Tunnel. Approximately 10km after the tunnel, turn left onto the R36 towards Tzaneen. The Karongwe Game Reserve is situated on your right, with the lodges located as follows:

Shiduli Safari Lodge - 22km

Kuname Safari Lodge - 24km

Noka House - 24km

River Safari Lodge - 27km

Chisomo Safari Camp - 27km

Becks Safari Lodge - 27km

FROM HOEDSPRUIT

Head south on Argyle Road (650m). Then turn left toward R527 (100m). Turn right toward R527 (140m). Turn right onto R527 (31,1km). Turn right onto R36 (23,1 km).

GPS Coordinates:

-24.1869913,30.539705



CENTRAL RESERVATIONS

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