



SELF DRIVE DIRECTIONS

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RECOMMENDED ROUTE TO &BEYOND PHINDA PRIVATE GAME RESERVE

1. FROM JOHANNESBURG TO PHINDA MOUNTAIN LODGE, ROCK LODGE AND ZUKA LODGE

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- Depart Johannesburg on the **N3** highway to **Heidelberg / Durban**
- Exit the highway at the **R23 Heidelberg (south) / Standerton** off-ramp
- **Turn left** onto the **R23 to Standerton**

Please watch out for the **camera speed-trap** in the 40 km zone a few hundred meters after turning onto the R23

- **Standerton** is approximately 100 km from the R23 / N3 junction

Driving into Standerton, **turn right** at the **first set of traffic lights** onto **Walter Sisulu** (there is a Kentucky Fried Chicken on the corner)

Turn left onto **Dr Nelson Mandela** at the **next set of traffic lights**, signposted **Orange Free State / KwaZulu-Natal R23**

Remain on Dr Nelson Mandela and follow the **R23 Volksrust** signposts through the rest of town

Please drive carefully on this road between Volksrust and Standerton as there are pot holes

- **Volksrust** is approximately 85 km from Standerton

Driving into Volksrust, **turn left** at the **first set of traffic lights** onto **Joubert Str** (there is an Excel service station on the corner)

Turn right onto **Laings Nek Str** at the **3rd set of traffic lights**, signposted **N11 Durban / Newcastle**

- Enter KwaZulu-Natal and continue along the **N11** towards **Durban / Newcastle**

There are 2 stop/go sections, as construction is underway on this section of the road

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- **Turn left** onto the **R34 to Utrecht / Vryheid** (approximately 40 km from Volksrust)

- Pass Utrecht town on the left and continue along the **R34 to Vryheid**
- **Turn left** onto the **R33/R34 Vryheid** (approximately 78 km from the R34/N11 junction)
- **Vryheid** is approximately 24 km from R33/R34 junction

Before entering the town, **turn right** at the **R69 Louwsburg / R34 Ulundi/Empangeni**

Continue for 6 km until reaching the stop street. Continue straight over along the R69 for a further 4 km

Turn right at the **T-junction** onto the **R69 to Louwsburg / Mkuze**

- Pass the turnoff to Louwsburg on the left and continue along the **R69 to Pongola**
- **Turn left** onto the **R66 Pongola / R69 (N2) Mkuze**
- Continue for 21 km to Pongola, then **turn right** onto the **N2 to Mkuze** and on towards Phinda
- Approximately 40 km beyond Mkuze, take the **sign-posted “Phinda” off-ramp**
- At the top of the fly-off, **turn left** and you will reach a **T-junction**
- At the T-junction, **turn left onto a gravel road**
- Follow the gravel road for approximately **4 km** until you reach a **railway line**
- Cross over the railway line and **turn immediately right**
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2. FROM DURBAN TO PHINDA MOUNTAIN LODGE, ROCK LODGE AND ZUKA LODGE

- Take the **N2 highway** northbound towards Stanger; please note you will pass through a toll gate once you have passed the King Shaka International Airport. The toll gate will accept cash or credit card payments.
- **Pass the towns** of Ballito, Tinley Manor, Stanger, Mtunzini, Empangeni, Richard’s Bay, Kwambonambi and Mtubatuba
- Remain on the N2, **passing the town of Hluhluwe**
- **10 km beyond** Hluhluwe, take the **sign-posted “Phinda” off-ramp**
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- 40 km beyond Mkuze, you will see a “Phinda” sign-posted fly-off. Do **not** take this fly-off as it leads to Mountain Lodge and Rock Lodge. Instead **remain on the N2 for an additional 10 km** until you reach the **Hluhluwe fly-off**.
- Take the Hluhluwe fly-off **and follow the signs into the town of Hluhluwe** (4 km)
- Entering Hluhluwe, you will **cross 3 consecutive traffic circles**. The 1st circle is located just before you enter the town. The 2nd circle is located just after the Engen fuel garage. The 3rd circle is located just before the Total fuel garage. Continue to the 4th circle which is opposite the Farmer’s Market.
- At the 4th circle, **turn left** following the False Bay / Sodwana Bay signage. As you pass the “Build-It Hardware Store” you will leave the outskirts of town, and prepare to take a **right turn**, crossing over the railway line. Signage should indicate **Sodwana Bay / False Bay**
- Continue along this tar road for approximately **28 km** (do not take any turns leading to False Bay)
- When you reach the Mduku Crossing (indicated clearly by numerous consecutive speed bumps), take the **“Phinda” sign-posted D675** turning to your **left**
- Continue along this road (soon becomes gravel) for approximately **2.6 km** before you reach a T-junction
- At the **T-junction**, take a **right turn** onto the D448 and travel for **3.6 km** until you reach the entrance gate to the **Munyawana Private Game Reserve**
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- Take the **N2 from Richards Bay airport** and continue on the N2 **past** Matubatuba and **Hluhluwe**
- Approximately 10km past the Hluhluwe off ramp, you take the **Phinda off ramp**.
- At the tip of the fly off **turn right** onto the **bridge over the N2**
- At the T-Junction, **turn left** following the Phinda signboard.
- Continue along the gravel road for approximately **4km**
- Cross over the railway line and **turn right** at the fork immediately after the railway line.
- Proceed for about **4km** until you reach the gate to the **Munyawana Private Game Reserve**.
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DISTANCE CHART

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| • Johannesburg/Phinda | roughly 600 km | roughly 8 hours |
| • Durban/Phinda | 330 km | 3 hours 30 minutes |
| • Richards Bay/Phinda | 150 km | 1 hour 45 minutes |

The GPS co-ordinates for &Beyond Phinda Private Game Reserve are S 27°46.657', E 032°20.942'

Please be aware, as you approach the Lodge that you are in a wilderness area where predators and high-profile game roam freely. Do not leave your car for any reason.

Should you require assistance, kindly call **Mountain Lodge on 035 562 0271** or **Forest Lodge on 035 562 0390**

Wherever possible and available, we do provide covered parking for guest vehicles but please be advised that we cannot be held responsible for theft, loss or damage, whilst vehicles are parked on our premises.

