



DIRECTIONS FACT SHEET 2015

MARATABA SAFARI LODGE & MARATABA TRAILS LODGE

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Please DO NOT follow your GPS to us. Many of the prescribed roads are not navigable in a normal vehicle. Following GPS co-ordinates can result in getting lost in the middle of the bush, or un-necessary delays of up to 4 hours.

RECOMMENDED ROUTE TO MARATABA (4 HRS)

- Starting at Oliver Tambo International Airport (ORT)
 - Depart ORT following the airport exit signs (R21 & R24)
 - Approximately 200m thereafter, the road forks. Take the right fork towards R21 N Pretoria/R24 Johannesburg
 - The road immediately turns sharply to the right. Get into the left lane and follow the signs to R21 N Pretoria as you exit the airport
 - After exiting the airport, get into the left lane and follow the R21 N Kempton Park/Pretoria signs
 - After 300m, take the left off-ramp, following the R21N Kempton Park/Pretoria signs
 - Once on the R21N drive for 36.3 km
 - You will see signs indicating exit 134 (N1 Noord, Pretoria/Polokwane/Johannesburg)
 - Take the 134 exit
 - Immediately thereafter, the road forks. Take the right fork towards N1 North-Polokwane
 - Continue on the N1 North-Polokwane passing through two toll gates
 - Take off-ramp to Bela-Bela / Warmbaths (R516)
- IN BELA-BELA:
- Turn right at the first set of traffic lights into Marx Street (Waterfront Shopping Centre ahead of you)
 - Continue across one intersection with traffic lights (Engen & Total petrol stations on either side) until you reach a T-junction. The Elephant Spring Hotels is ahead of you
 - Turn left into Sutter Road (Thabazimbi sign post ahead)
 - At the T-junction, turn right into Ritchie Rd
 - Shortly thereafter, you will reach another T-junction, with

the SPAR Centre directly in front of you. Turn left.

- You will get to a circle. Turn left
 - Continue until you reach a traffic circle. Turn left at the sign for Thabazimbi. (R516)
- IN THABAZIMBI
- Turn left at third stop sign towards Lephalale / Sentrum (at the Total petrol station) onto the R510
 - Travel for 32km, and turn right to Lephalale (Stay on the R510)
 - Drive 11km and turn right at the Marataba Safari Lodge sign post
 - Travel 8km along the gravel road. The Marataba gate is on your left hand side

ALTERNATIVE ROUTE TO MARATABA (4 HRS)

- Starting at Oliver Tambo International Airport (ORT)
- Depart ORT following the airport exit signs (R21 & R24)
- Approximately 200m thereafter, the road forks. Take the right fork towards R21 N Pretoria/R24 Johannesburg
- The road immediately turns sharply to the right. Get into the left lane and follow the signs to R21 N Pretoria as you exit the airport
- After exiting the airport, get into the left lane and follow the R21 N Kempton Park/Pretoria signs
- After 300m, take the left off-ramp, following the R21N Kempton Park/Pretoria signs

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- Once on the R21N drive for 36.3 km
- You will see signs indicating exit 134 (N1 Noord, Pretoria/Polokwane/Johannesburg)
- Take the 134 exit
- Immediately thereafter, the road forks. Take the right fork towards N1 North-Polokwane
- Travel for 22.5km along the N1 North-Polokwane
- After 20km, look for exit 156 to the left (N4 Rustenburg).
- Take exit 156, and get onto the N4 to Rustenburg
- The N4 is a toll road, so please be aware of toll taxes which are approximately R22 per car per gate
- Once on the N4, continue for 43km
- Take exit 245 towards the R511 Sandton / Brits
- Turn right at the top of the off-ramp towards Brits
- Continue for 141km along the R511, through the town of Brits
- At the T-junction with the R510 turn right towards Thabazimbi
- Continue for 8.7km into Thabazimbi
- Take the turn off to the left for R510 Lephalale
- Continue for 32km along the R510
- Take the turn off to the right for Lephalale R510
- Continue for 11 km, and take the turn off to the right at the Marataba Safari Lodge sign post
- Continue for 8km along the dirt road passing the Hoopdal Police station on the left
- The Marataba Gate is on the left hand side

ALTERNATIVE ROUTE TO MARATABA via MODIMOLLE/VAALWATER (4 HRS)

- Starting at Oliver Tambo International Airport (ORT)
- Depart ORT following the airport exit signs (R21 & R24)
- Approximately 200m thereafter, the road forks. Take the right fork towards R21 N Pretoria/R24 Johannesburg
- The road immediately turns sharply to the right. Get into the left lane and follow the signs to R21 N Pretoria as you exit the airport

- After exiting the airport, get into the left lane and follow the R21 N Kempton Park/Pretoria signs
- After 300m, take the left off-ramp, following the R21N Kempton Park/Pretoria signs
- Once on the R21N drive for 36.3 km
- You will see signs indicating exit 134 (N1 Noord, Pretoria/Polokwane/Johannesburg)
- Take the 134 exit
- Immediately thereafter, the road forks. Take the right fork towards N1 North-Polokwane
- Continue on the N1 North-Polokwane passing through some toll gates
- Take off-ramp to Marble Hall/Modimolle (R33)
- Follow the R33 out of Modimolle towards Vaalwater
- Stay on the R33 for 58km
- Go through Vaalwater. 2km outside Vaalwater the road changes to the R517. Carry on straight ahead. DO NOT TURN OFF ONTO THE R33. Head towards Lephalale on the R517
- Stay on the R517 for 54km
- Take the turn off to the left for Thabazimbi
- Continue for 27km along the R510
- Take left turn at the Marataba Safari Lodge sign posts
- Continue for 8 km along the dirt road passing the Hoopdal Police station on the left
- Marataba Gate will be on your left hand side

FROM LEPHALALE TO MARATABA

- Follow the R510 out of Lephalale towards Thabazimbi
- Continue straight for 57.2km along the R510
- Take the turn off to the right for Thabazimbi
- Continue for 27km along the R510
- Take left turn at the Marataba Safari Lodge sign post
- Continue for 8 km along the dirt road passing the Hoopdal Police station on the left
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FROM MARATABA TO MADIKWE SAFARI LODGE (2.5 HRS)

- Follow lodge exit signs to the gate
- Turn right onto the main gravel road
- Continue straight for 8km to the T-junction
- Turn left towards Thabazimbi
- Continue straight for 11km, until you reach another T-junction
- Turn right towards Sentrum
- Continue for 14.2 km, and take left turn for Makoppa (Please note the signage is small)
- Continue straight for 88.1 km. Please note there will be 40km of gravel road ahead after approximately 50 km of tarmac. Be careful, as there are potholes in the tarmac
- At the T-junction, turn left towards Dwaalboom
- Continue straight for 3.6km
- At the T-junction take a right turn towards Derdepoort
- Continue for 5.5km until you reach another T-junction
- Take a right turn towards Derdepoort
- Continue straight for 20.6km until you reach a 4-Way stop
- Turn left at the 4-Way stop. Madikwe Derdepoort Gate will be in front of you
- After passing through Derdepoort Gate, continue straight for 8.4km
- Take a left turn at the Madikwe Safari Lodge sign post. Follow the lodge signs from this part on

PLEASE NOTE

• In an effort to prevent poachers from gaining access to Marakele National Park, Welgevonden Private Game Reserve and adjacent farms, The Greater Marakele Security Hub has implemented access control to the area in compliance with the Limpopo Roads Agency. The drivers of all vehicles entering the area through any one of the seven access control points, will be required to present a current driver's license and the vehicle will have to have a valid RSA motor vehicle license disc to allow entry into the area

- Gate entrance fees into the Marataba Game Reserve for 2015 are as follows:
R210 per adult per stay, and R110 per child U/12 per stay (subject to reserve changes)
- Marataba Game Reserve entrance fees are payable per person directly at the Lodge, and will be added to your extras bill
- It is safe to drive, so don't worry about driving through rural areas as the locals have a very high regard for your security
- Please drive carefully, and be aware of village pedestrians, their children and domestic animals
- There are always a number of speed traps with traffic police along the way, so please be sure to follow the speed restrictions
- Please advise us of your estimated time of arrival and note that winter (May to September) game drives leave at 15h30 and summer game drives at 16h30. We recommend that you try make it to us before then
- The wildlife at Marataba Game Reserve must be treated with respect, so please keep a safe distance, and don't get out of the vehicle for any reason as one is never aware of what may be watching and keep to a speed limit of 30 km/hour
- Please take note that the gate opens at 07h00 and closes at 18h00. Please advise the Lodge if you will be arriving outside of these times so that the necessary arrangements can be made

FROM SUN CITY HOTEL TO MARATABA (2 HRS 30 MINS)

- When leaving the resort, turn left onto the R556 and stay on it for 3.9km
- Turn left towards the R510. Stay on that road for 19.2km
- Turn left onto the R510 towards Northam. Go through Northam and head towards Thabazimbi
- In Thabazimbi, take the turn off to the left for R510 Lephallale
- Continue for 32km along the R510
- Take the turn off to the right for Lephallale R510
- Continue for 11 km, and take the turn off to the right at the Marataba Safari Lodge sign posts
- Continue for 8 km along the dirt road passing the Hoopdal Police station on the left
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MARATABA HELICOPTER LANDING PAD

S 24° 20' 49.69"
E 27° 34' 10.61"
Elevation: 1006m