





# GONDWANA FAMILY LODGE

IDEAL FAMILY GETAWAY

With views of the magnificent Anysberg Mountains and overlooking the Bellair Dam, Gondwana Family Lodge is the perfect sanctuary for family, friends and groups.

This spacious thatched Lodge offers guests a sense of modern comfort with a touch of bush authenticity. Interconnecting rooms, indoor and outdoor play areas and a child-friendly pool cater for guests of all ages plus the programme offers educational and recreational wildlife experiences.

## LODGE FACILITIES

- Relaxation Retreat with steam room
- Lounge with fire place and television with satellite channels
- Gift boutique
- Wi-Fi
- Open-air dining boma
- Outdoor pool with shallow area
- Children's playroom with television
- Outdoor play area for children

# SUITE FEATURES

- En-suite bathroom, shower,
  twin basins and free standing
  bath
- Private minibar
- Tea and coffee making facilities
- Electronic safe
- International dial telephone
  Air-conditioning
- Under floor heating
- Private deck or balcony

# SUITE CONFIGURATION

Suites can accommodate a maximum of 2 adults sharing with 1 child, in a king or twin bedded configuration

- 6 suites are located on the ground floor with private deck
- 6 suites are located on the second level with private balcony/ viewing platform
- All rooms have sleeper couches which can sleep one child under the age of 12 years
- Four pairs of rooms are interleading















# AT A GLANCE

## THE WESTERN CAPE'S PREMIER WILDLIFE DESTINATION

Seated at the foot of the Warmwaterberg Mountain Range in the heart of South Africa's Little Karoo, Sanbona reverently honors the San people, who thrived in this arid landscape for centuries. Infused with a captivating tranquility, it exudes an aura of seclusion amidst the untamed beauty and endless expanses of the plains. Sanbona and the spirit of the San people welcomes you.

# EMBRACE THE ALLURE AND REFINEMENT OF A TIMELESS LANDSCAPE.

- One of South Africa's largest privately owned wildlife reserves
- The first authentic free roaming "Big 5" wildlife reserve in the Western Cape
- Home to the critically endangered and highly elusive Riverine Rabbit
- Home to the Dwarf Blue butterfly, the second smallest butterfly in the world
- Over 200 identified bird species
- Important raptor nesting sites, including the Verreaux's (Black) Eagle
- The Bellair Lake provides a wetland habitat for a myriad of water birds. Cruises can be enjoyed with a qualified guide and skipper
- Approximately 650 plant species
- Conserves vegetation types of the Fynbos and Succulent Karoo biomes which are proclaimed Global Biodiversity Hotspots
- The Fynbos Biome is a part of the Cape Floristic Kingdom, a World Heritage Site
- Rock art sites dating back to more than 1500 years
- Stargazing is rated amongst the best in Southern Africa



#### **GUEST ACTIVITIES**

#### **Nature Drives**

Interactive nature drives, lasting up to 4 hours, take place in the tranquil moods of sunrise and sunset. You are guided by your Field Guide in an open game viewing vehicle and you are asked to share any particular interests with your Guide who will try to incorporate these into your nature drive. On nature drives guests will enjoy a sundowner drink at sunset and coffee/tea at sunrise. No persons under the age of 4 years are permitted to join nature drives.

## Guided Wilderness Walks

Qualified walking guides provide the opportunity for guests to experience the excitement of tracking, bird, insect, plant and animal dropping identification. No persons under the age of 14 years are permitted to join the wilderness walks. Kindly ensure to request this activity at the time of booking accommodation as wilderness walks are subject to the availability of qualified guides.

#### Relaxation Retreats

Various treatments can be enjoyed at our Relaxation Retreats which are situated at Tilney Manor, Dwyka Tented Lodge and Gondwana Family Lodge. Treatments can be booked prior to arrival with Reservations. Kindly visit our website for the latest list of treatments available.

#### Stargazing & Story Telling

With the absence of artificial light, the stargazing at Sanbona Wildlife Reserve is phenomenal and amongst the best in Southern Africa. Interpretations about the constellations of the Southern Hemisphere are given by knowledgeable guides. Romantic stories of gods and goddesses banished to the heavens are woven into astronomical facts and unfolds before your eyes. Discover the ancient myths of the stories told by the San about their visions of the stars.







# **PROGRAM OF EVENTS**

The following times are only an indication and approximate as these may vary according to seasons and weather conditions.

Lodges operate independently, each with a full staff compliment including its own management team, chef brigade, hosts and hostesses and experienced Field Guides. Dinner alternates between the in and outdoor facilities, weather permitting.

We do suggest that guests arrive in time for lunch on their day of arrival as not to miss out on any nature drives during their stay. Daily transfers from the welcome lounge are available on request, and must be booked in advance.

Please note the traveling time on the dirt road, from the main gate, to Tilney Manor is approximately 45 minutes, 65 minutes to Dwyka Lodge and 55 minutes to Gondwana Lodge. The main gate closes at 18h00. Arrangements should be made prior to arrival should your arrival time be later.

#### **ARRIVING GUESTS**

Pick-up from Welcome Lounge at 12h30

- arrive at Tilney Manor at: 13h15
- arrive at Gondwana Family Lodge at: 13h25
- arrive at Dwyka Tented Lodge at: 13h35

Pick-up from welcome lounge at 16h00 (these guests will not be able to join the afternoon drive)

- arrive at Tilney Manor at: 16h45
- arrive at at Gondwana Family Lodge at: 16h55
- arrive at Dwyka Tented Lodge at: 17h05

#### **DEPARTING GUESTS**

Pick-up from Dwyka Tented Lodge at 11h00 Pick-up from Gondwana Family Lodge at 11h20 Pick-up from Tilney Manor at 11h35

- arrive at the Welcome Lounge 12h15

PLEASE NOTE: All times are estimated and subject to road conditions and vehicle types

### APRIL - SEPTEMBER (WINTER)

06h30 Wake up call

07h00 Breakfast is served

07h30 Depart for morning nature drive

1 1h00 Depart lodge

13h00 Lunch is served

15h00 Depart for afternoon nature drive

19h30 Dinner is served

### OCTOBER - MARCH (SUMMER)

05h00 Wake up call

05h30 Depart for morning nature drive

09h00 Breakfast is served

11h00 Depart lodge

13h00 Lunch is served

16h00 Depart for afternoon nature drive

20h00 Dinner is served





