



THE ROYAL MADIKWE

LUXURY SAFARI LODGE

PRIVATE AND SHARED AIR TRANSFER OPTIONS

Please contact reservations@royalmadikwe.com for a personalized quote.

SHARED SHUTTLE FLIGHT

Guests will be met in the arrivals hall by an airline representative and escorted to the kiosk where you will be driven to the boarding lounge for check in to your flight to Madikwe. The one hour flight will arrive in Madikwe and guests will be collected from Royal Madikwe Western Airstrip by our guide and transferred to the lodge at no extra charge – approximately 30 minute drive time. Shuttle flight times may vary by up to an hour, so please ensure to allow a minimum of 3-4 hours between connecting flights as neither the airline, nor Royal Madikwe will be held liable for missed connecting flights.

Luggage restrictions are very strict with an allowance of 20kg checked luggage per person in soft sided bags only as well as 5 kg hand luggage per person. For excess luggage, the complimentary luggage storage facility at the Federal Airlines lounge can be utilized, or an additional seat must be booked and is dependent on availability at the time of enquiring. Please do note that seats are limited and if flights are fully booked there is an option of Private Charter flights, or a Private Road Transfer.



PRIVATE CHARTER FLIGHT

Private Charters can be arranged in the event of the Shared Shuttle Flights being fully booked, or for a more private and luxurious experience which includes a meet & greet facility whereby guests will be escorted off international flights through customs / immigration on arrival and driven to the boarding Lounge. Flight times are reasonably flexible to suit guests' requirements and dependent on flight and lodge operations. Please be sure to enquire with our reservations team about the possibility of an earlier check-in or later check-out as a surcharge may be applicable for transfers to / from the airstrip.



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PRIVATE ROAD TRANSFER OPTIONS

Please contact reservations@royalmadikwe.com for a personalized quote.

PRIVATE ROAD TRANSFER

A private road transfer can be arranged to transfer guests to / from The Royal Madikwe. Approximately 4.5 hours' drive from Johannesburg, approximately 3 hours' drive from Sun City and approximately 1.5 hours' drive from the Sir Seretse Khama Airport in Gaborone, Botswana. Please enquire for transfers from other destinations. Please take note that Madikwe Game Reserve entry gates open at 06h00 and are locked at 21h00 in the evening, so please ensure to take these times into account when arranging your connecting flights in relation to travel times for road transfers and self-drive options.

DRIVING YOURSELF

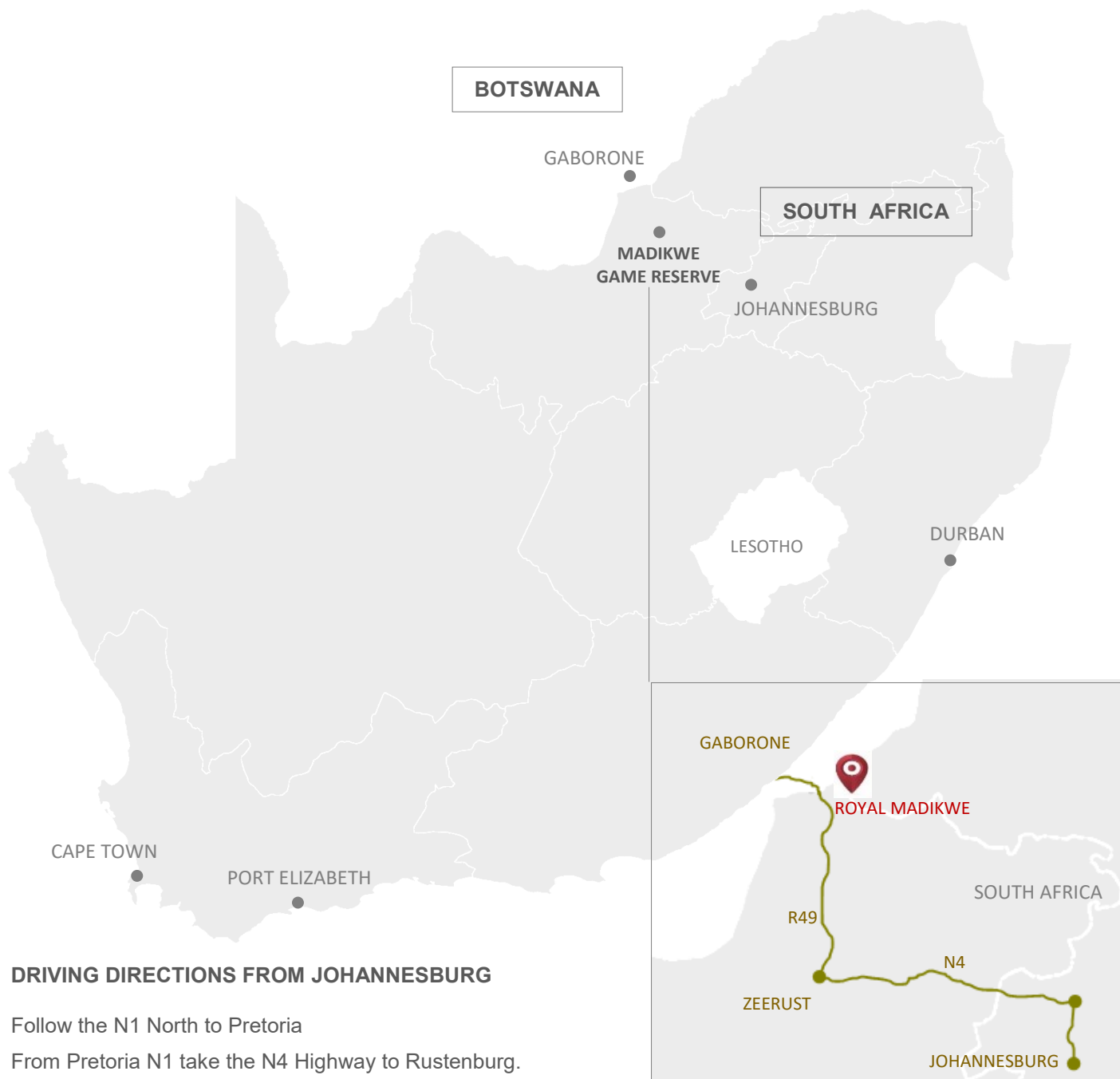
For the more adventurous, there is also the option of renting a vehicle at the airport and driving yourself to the lodge. This is a great way to see more of the country and the roads are generally in good condition, thus a 4x4 vehicle is not a requirement. We do advise using the driving directions herein in collaboration with Google Maps. Please take note that Madikwe Game Reserve entry gates open at 06h00 and are locked at 21h00 in the evening, so please ensure to take these times into account when arranging your connecting flights in relation to travel times for road transfers and self-drive options.



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MAP AND DIRECTIONS



DRIVING DIRECTIONS FROM JOHANNESBURG

Follow the N1 North to Pretoria

From Pretoria N1 take the N4 Highway to Rustenburg.

Keep to the N4 which bypasses Rustenburg and head for Swartruggens.

From Swartruggens, continue to Zeerust. Ignore all signs to Madikwe before Zeerust and enter the town itself.

(Please call us when you reach Zeerust (t) +27(0)82 568 8867) At the 4th intersection into the town of Zeerust you will turn right into President Street. Travel 90km along this road towards Gaborone on the R49.

Look out for a sign board on your right indicating "Wonderboom Gate," Madikwe Game Reserve - turn right here. Once through the boom-gate, take the first turn on your right at the sign indicating "Lodges" and follow the road until you see the Royal Madikwe sign on your left.



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SEASONS AND PACKING GUIDELINES

Summer (December—February)

Summer is our rainy season and we experience some of the most breath taking thunderstorms in the Southern Hemisphere, which can continue for 10 minutes or up to 2 hours. As Madikwe is a semi-arid area, with an average annual rainfall of only 500mm, it does not typically rain every day and thunderstorms generally occur in the afternoons, however this is not always the case, and this may cause disruptions to the wifi and mobile phone connectivity. Daytime temperatures can vary from 25°C to 40°C, with an average of 31°C.

Recommended Clothing... Light cotton / linen fabrics are recommended for the hot daytime temperatures and a light jumper for the game drives. Short trousers, summer dresses, swimming trunks / costume and open toe sandals are recommended.

Autumn (March—May)

One can still expect some rainfall in Autumn, but much less than in summer time. By now, the daytime temperatures have dropped down to 20°C, with a maximum of 31°C. The early morning and afternoon game drives are a little cooler, but we do provide cozy blankets on game drives for extra comfort.

Recommended Clothing... Light summer clothing will still be required, but we recommend a warm jumper, long trousers and closed shoes for the game drives which can be a little cooler.

Winter (June—August)

Winter in Madikwe boasts lovely warm days with temperatures between 15°C and 25°C – much like European Summer temperatures! By now, the early morning and afternoon game drive temperatures have dropped and can be as low as 10°C to 0°C on some mornings, with an average of 6°C.

Recommended Clothing... Long trousers, long sleeve shirt, jumper, closed shoes and a warm jacket, scarf, gloves and a woolly hat for the cooler game drives is recommended, as well as some lighter clothing for the warmer daytime temperatures.

Spring (September—November)

There is a definite change in temperature and, although the early morning and afternoon game drives still present a chill, midday temperatures range from 20°C to 30°C with an average of 25°C most days.

Recommended Clothing... Trousers and a warm jacket are still required for the game drives, but lighter clothing can be worn during the warmer midday temperatures. Both closed shoes and sandals will be useful.

All year round necessities... Sun hat | Sun glasses | Sun block & lip balm | Closed shoes for Nature walks | Camera with extra memory card | Extra batteries / chargers | Binoculars





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HEALTHCARE AND DOCUMENTATION

MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS

Madikwe Game Reserve is a Malaria FREE area, therefore no anti-Malaria medication is required. We have a medical box available with basic medication for your convenience, however, if you are taking any prescribed / chronic medication, please ensure that you have an additional supply available in case of any unforeseen circumstances due to our remote location.

A paramedic is stationed in the reserve and can be called out to the lodge in necessary situations. Emergency Medical evacuation is also available for emergency cases, but each case is assessed individually and therefore no guarantees are given. We do advise that all guests take out personal travel insurance.

DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED

Please ensure you check visa requirements prior to departure. All guests visiting South Africa are required to have a minimum of two blank pages in their passport to allow the entry visa to be issued and failure of this requirement will result in entry being denied.

COVID-19 DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED

On entering South Africa, each guest is required to present a completed Passenger Locator Form (paper copy) as well as an authentic medical certificate indicating a Covid-19 negative PCR test result (paper copy) not older than 72 hours on the date of arrival in South Africa. Failure to do so may lead to entry into South Africa being denied.