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FACT SHEET

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## INTRODUCTION

Elevated above the landscape and built on an old anthill lies Nambu Camp, located in the heart of the Greater Kruger in the Olifants West Nature Reserve. This 6-bedroom safari camp overlooks a winding dry riverbed, bustling waterhole and the Drakensberg Mountain range which carves across the distant skyline. Views of this wilderness are framed by the lodge's unique and open design.

The camp has been in the Drinkwater family for almost 40 years, passed down through the generations and home to many memories with both family and friends. The name Nambu means 'river' in the local language of IsiThonga, and this unique lodge has many ties to this natural source that flows through the traverse. From the family name to the flowing waters of the Olifant's River nearby. Tawny eagles soar above and herds of elephants' drink down below; this hilltop lodge is certainly a wildlife haven surrounded by nature.

During the heat of the day, relax by the camp's poolside or bird watch from the lodge's vast viewing platform before a mid-day brunch up at the main camp. Here at Nambu there are two activities per day, situated in a big five reserve head out on game drives and explore this vast and diverse landscape, you never know what you may find here in South Africa's true wilderness.



## AT A GLANCE

- Authentic safari lodge with 6 en-suite bedrooms
- Spacious viewing platform overlooking a dry riverbed and waterhole where many of the bushveld's inhabitants come to visit
- A large traverse area with the Olifant's River running through the reserve, rocky outcrops, drainage line and natural springs, which makes for incredible game viewing amongst the landscape scenery.
- Simple, yet modern and stylish cuisine is served in the open dining area which overlooks the vast landscape below.
- Natural, Safari-style decor throughout, raised wooden pathways lead the way through the camp and gardens
- Swimming pool and sun lounges with bushveld and mountain views.

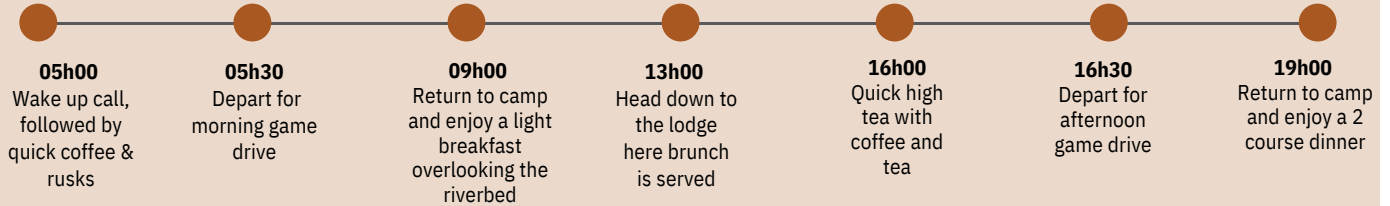
## FACILITIES

- 2 luxury chalets equipped with modern interiors and private balconies (Rooms 1 and 2)
- 4 standard chalets with simple and authentic interiors (Rooms 3, 4, 5 and 6)
- Accommodating up to 12 people, Nambu is a quiet and intimate safari camp
- Framed scenic views from the upper deck and an open-air viewing platform below
- Air-conditioning in all rooms
- Bathroom products are supplied
- Swimming pool located on lower deck with waterhole views
- Shaded and comfortable lounge areas on both upper and lower wildlife viewing decks
- There's a lodge boma area and fireplace where fires are lit before the evening meal
- Daily turndown service / laundry available upon request
- Wi-Fi available at the lodge



## A TYPICAL DAY AT NAMBU CAMP

Each morning begins with a morning wake-up call, coffee and a game drive in the Olifants West Nature Reserve.



## LOCATION

Nambu Camp is located in the big five Olifants West Nature Reserve in the heart of the Greater Kruger, 16.2 km outside of Hoedspruit. The Eastgate Airport is a short 45-minute drive away, making it easily accessible for fly-in guests, while many might choose to self-drive from Johannesburg, which is a scenic 5-hour drive away.

## ACTIVITIES

- Morning & evening game drives Sundowners in the bush
- Bird watching
- Plated Traditional South African braaivleis (barbecue) cooked over the open fire.
- Kruger National Park Day Trip (*additional charge - pre-bookable*)
- Private Panoramic Day Trip (*additional charge -pre-bookable*)





## GENERAL TRAVEL INFORMATION

### WEATHER

The average mean rainfall for the year is 350mm, with most rainfall occurring during mid-summer (November - February). The rainfall generally occurs in the form of thunderstorms where a downpour is experienced, very seldom lasting longer than a few hours. The average maximum temperatures range from 24°C in July to 34°C in January with the average minimum occurring in July at a temperature of 8.5°C.

### WILDLIFE

Nambu Camp is built in the heart of the Olifants West Nature Reserve which is open to the Kruger National Park. This wild and diverse reserve is home to the big five and overall a vast array of wildlife. The camp itself overlooks a winding dry riverbed and waterhole and there are also natural springs dotted in the riverbed, many animals are drawn to the little oasis. This undulating landscape means that there are many great vantage points perfect for spotting any movement below from the towering giraffes, herds of elephants to the bushveld's predators. The flowing waters of the Olifant's River run through the reserve and life can always be found here and you're almost guaranteed to see large pods of hippo and basking crocodiles. The Olifants West Nature Reserve birdlife is second to none with a huge variety of riverine species drawn to the winding waterway. The rare pel's fishing owl has quite often been seen as well as kingfishers, herons, vultures and many eagle species. However, a perfect location to observe the birdlife, is at the camp itself – where a tawny eagle's nest can be seen in front and vibrant sunbirds are attracted by the flourishing gardens here at Nambu. Bird-watching at camp is a true highlight.

### MALARIA

The Olifants West Nature Reserve region is a low risk malaria area. It is best to consult your local Doctor for advice. Generally, the type of medication needed for the Kruger area is Malarone, Doxycycline or Melfloquine. Mosquitoes are more prevalent in the wet, warmer season. Mosquito repellent and creams are also great preventative measures.

### WHAT TO PACK

The climate in the Kruger Lowveld brings the hot summer months between October and April when the rainfall is high, and so is the temperature, reaching over 40 degrees Celsius. The dry winter months begin in May and carry on until October/ November, during which time the weather is mild during the day with temperatures averaging mid-high 20s, while very cold in the evenings and early mornings.

- Throughout the year, we recommend packing lightweight, neutral-coloured clothing with short sleeves
- Bring sun protection in the form of sunblock, sun hats, and glasses.
- Insect Repellent
- Scarfs, jackets, and gloves are needed for early mornings on game drive, especially in winter.
- Comfortable walking shoes as well as open sandals for when the weather is hot.
- Cameras & Binoculars for the many wildlife sightings and daytrips on your visit to South Africa
- Adaptor plug

