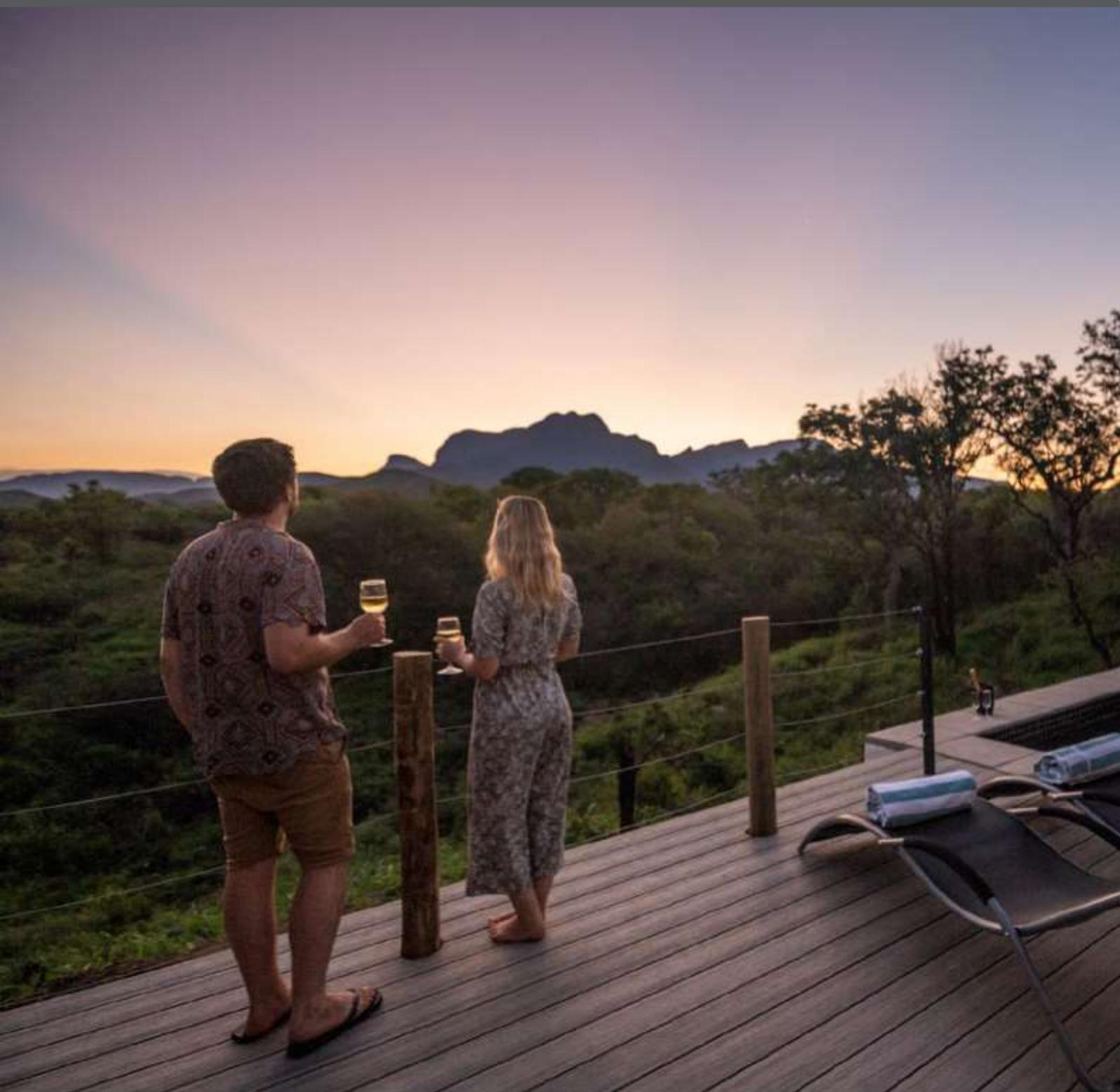


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INTRODUCTION

Kruger Cliffs is a new Kruger Area accommodation offering modern living in mountain view cottages, nestled between the dramatic Drakensberg Mountain Range and the Kruger National Park.

There are four Mountain View Cottages, all of which are completely secluded, have their own private plunge pool, large verandah and covered seating area and boast stunning views of the mountains and surrounding bush.

The experience is entirely up to you - relax in your plunge pool, bird watch from the balcony or plan a myriad of adventurous day trips and safari experiences into the Kruger National Park. The Lowveld is an Eden in itself, with plenty of outdoor activities to do in conjunction with the safari experience.

Kruger Cliffs offers 100% privacy and is ideal for those seeking a scenic setting and a modern self-catering stay in nature.

AT A GLANCE

- There are 4 spacious self-catering cottages at Kruger Cliffs, which is located in the Hoedspruit / Kruger region in South Africa.
- All cottages come with their own private plunge pool and all boast spectacular views of the Drakensberg Mountain Range.
- Each of the Kruger Cliffs cottages are named after a different bird often seen in the area – Kingfisher, Oriole, Sunbird & Turaco.
- Each cottage is well equipped for a self-catering stay and makes for an ideal base whilst exploring the Lowveld.
- A Birders Paradise. From bee-eaters and kingfishers to nightjars and kites, grab a pair of binoculars and look out for a few bird species that can be found here.

- Use as a base for your already planned activities or book excursions in the surrounding area with us.
- Please note that units are not serviced during your stay (except for +4 night stays). If you wish to have the unit serviced, please enquire with the lodge.

FACILITIES

- Four Mountain View Cottages (3 x 1 bedroom & 1x 2 bedroom).
- Air-conditioned bedrooms. Extra length King or Twin beds set-up with stylish suspended mosquito nets.
- Each cottage has its own private deck with plunge pool, sun loungers, outside seating / dining area and BBQ facilities.
- Each cottage has a well-equipped kitchen to cook in during your stay and has everything you need; crockery & utensils, fridge / freezer, modern ceramic hotplate, microwave (no oven), dishwasher, toaster and kettle.
- Indoor and outdoor dining areas in each cottage.
- Bathroom with modern double washbasins and large walk in shower.
- Stylish outside “bucket” shower with mountain views.
- Sleeper couch for children available in each cottage.
- Breakfast/Snack Platter/Braai Pack can be pre-booked at an additional cost and delivered to your cottage.
- Charging points in all rooms. Adapters may be required.
- Free & unlimited Wifi.





ACTIVITIES

Book excursions in the surrounding area before your arrival (preferably pre-book them together with your accommodation).

- Kruger National Park Day-Trip | Experience a full day-trip to the abundant and beautiful Kruger National Park with a private safari guide. Game viewing in the park is exceptional. Leave the lodge in the early morning with a packed-breakfast and spend the entire day exploring the park searching for many of South Africa's iconic animals before returning to the lodge late afternoon.
- Panorama Route Day-Trip | One of the most scenic drives in South Africa. Take a day to explore the views of this dramatic landscape, stopping off at the many viewpoints along this picturesque journey.
- Moholoholo Animal Rehab Centre | Distance from Kruger Cliffs; 10min - Moholoholo takes care of all wounded animals or "problem animals" in the area. Wounded animals are restored back to health and released into the wild, if possible. Problem animals are captured and released where it is safe to do so.
- Manyeleti Reserve Game Drive | Distance from Kruger Cliffs; 30min - Game drives on private reserves with open borders to Kruger are the ultimate safari experience; away from the crowds, going off road where permitted, being able to spend time in an animal's (close) presence. But to be able to participate in such drives you normally have to book a room on the private reserve. There's exactly three exceptions we know of, two of which are on farms very close to civilization. We offer those as well, but the third option is clearly the best one.
- Hoedspruit Reptile Centre snake handling course (1/2 day) | Distance from Kruger Cliffs; 30min – The reptile center is one of the best of it's kind. Absolute highlight; the moment you put your first dangerous snake in it's container, using the right tools and knowledge, and you understand these creatures should not be feared, but simply respected.
- Blyde Dam cruise (1/2 day) | Distance from Kruger Cliffs; 15min - Kruger Cliffs is literally at the door of the Blyde River Canyon Reserve. Here you will do a cruise of about 1,5 hour. Can you spot the crocodiles and hippos? Absolute highlight; can you see the little ants crawling about on top of the mountain? There's people there! If you book the Panorama Route tour, you'll be able to enjoy their viewpoint.
- Balloon Ride over the Lowveld (1/2 day) | Distance from Kruger Cliffs; 20min - A short drive takes you to the starting point of all balloon rides at the banks of the Blyde River. From the air you'll have an amazing view over the Lowveld as well as the mountains. We go where the wind takes us! After about 1,5 hours we land in a field and enjoy a breakfast with a nice glass of Champagne. Absolute highlight; spotting plains game from up in the air - More difficult than you think, until you spot your first animal.
- Helicopter Flight | Departs from Kruger Cliffs own helipad. Duration is 2 hours, of which 45 minutes is spent while flying. During this flight you will gain a unique perspective of the Blyderivierpoort Dam, Kadishi Waterfall, Three Rondawels, Blyde River, Treur and Belvedere Rivers. Exiting the Highveld over the Escarpment towards the Lowveld, through Devil's Window is a breathtaking experience! Halfway the flight we touch down next to the Belvedere River for a picnic with bubbles.
- Mariepskop mountaintop viewpoints & forest walk | We drive you from the lodge to the top of the escarpment with our 4x4. The trip is an adventure in itself. On top of the mountain we visit multiple breathtaking viewpoints and enjoy a picnic breakfast. On the way back down we do a short hike in the lush forests that flank the mountains. This trip includes a specialist mountain guide with extensive knowledge of the area, it's fauna and flora.

This list is far from complete as it is impossible to list all activities in the area. For example, you can go horse riding, quad biking or mountain biking. If the above activities are not what you are looking for, contact us for more ideas.



TYPICAL DAY AT KRUGER CLIFFS

The day is at your leisure and there are no set activities.

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Check in 14:00-18.00 / Check out 10:00

Don't feel like cooking or dining out? Breakfast packs, snack platter and BBQ/Braai packs can be delivered to your cottage.

Please see our webpage for what is on offer;

<https://www.krugercliffs.com/rates/cater-rates.html>

Order the packs at least three days prior to your arrival and at an additional cost. Send us an email and we will reply with a form for you to fill out.



LOCATION & DIRECTIONS

Kruger Cliffs is ideally located, nestled between the famed Kruger National Park and the dramatic Drakensberg Mountain range, close to the Hoedspruit airport and town.

Kruger's Orpen Gate is a mere 30 minutes away on a smooth and quiet tar road and there is a simple and quick route to get from Kruger Cliffs to the park.

The Blyde Dam and Mariepskop are also a short drive away. It's about 30 minutes to the Strydom tunnel, the start of the Panorama Route.

The safari capital, Hoedspruit, is only a 30 minute drive away and has plenty of restaurants, gift shops, gas stations and three supermarkets in which to stock up for your self-catering stay at Kruger Cliffs. Kruger Cliffs is easily accessible for self-driving guests.

Directions as follows:

From Hoedspruit Airport:

- When exiting the airport, turn right.
- After 6km turn left on T-junction.
- Travel for 16km then turn right at the T-junction, where you will go under a bridge.
- After 7km there's a bend in the road to the left and a landmark to look out for is the large water tower on your right.
- Opposite that, our gate is immediately after that bend in the road.
- Follow this short dirt road and you will arrive at Kruger Cliffs



From Johannesburg:

- Exiting O.R. Tambo, take the R21 (Boksburg) motorway and then the N12 toward Witbank / eMalahleni
- The N12 merges with the N4. Continue on the N4, through Middelburg.
- At the R33 turn-off, turns towards Belfast.
- In Belfast, follow the signs to Dullstroom (R540).
- Travel through Belfast and Dullstroom toward Lydenburg / Mashishing on the R540, and continue to Ohrigstad (R36).
- At Ohrigstad, follow the road to Hoedspruit (R527).
- From here, the road leads from the Highveld down to the Lowveld as you descend the escarpment.
- From the town of Hoedspruit - Take R40 south towards Nelspruit
- Travel 23km then turn right at the T-junction where you will go under a bridge.
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GENERAL TRAVEL INFO:

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.

MALARIA

Before travelling, guests are encouraged to consult their local doctors on anti-malarial medication in preparation for their visit to the Lowveld. Insect repellent should also be utilised.

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 for any safari activities.
- Bring sun protection in the form of sunblock, sun hats, and glasses.
- Insect repellent.
- Scarfs, jackets and gloves are needed for early mornings
- Comfortable walking shoes as well as open sandals for when the weather is hot.
- Cameras & binoculars for the many wildlife sightings and day-trips on your visit to South Africa.
- Adaptor plug.

