



WHY CHOOSE
KEDAR HERITAGE
LODGE?

WHERE NATURE
&
HISTORY MEET



Kedar Lodge offers the leisure traveller and tour groups the perfect escape from the hectic pace of modern living. Situated in the North West Province; just 21km from Sun City, Kedar is built on a portion of Boekenhoutfontein, the historic farm that once belonged to President Paul Kruger.

Enjoy a real, 'Out of Africa' experience

The land around Kedar has been game fenced and is populated with a wide variety of game, including eland, blesbok, impala, bushbuck, nyala, kudu, zebra, blue wildebeest, giraffe and sable – making it a dream destination for nature lovers!

Kedar is also the ideal venue for functions, weddings, and can cater for up to 100 guests. Accommodation is offered in 66 African-themed stone and thatched rooms and suites, all of which are decorated with vibrant, hand-painted ethnic print fabrics and African artworks – reflecting Africa's treasures.

Facilities include the renowned Paul Kruger Country House Museum, Kedar Spa in the Country, themed restaurants, a large swimming pool and private game drives.



THE PAUL
KRUGER COUNTRY
HOUSE MUSEUM



Step back in time at the Paul Kruger Country House Museum

Most of us know Stephanus Johannes Paulus Kruger, affectionately known as 'Oom Paul', as State President of the old Zuid-Afrikaanse Republiek. What you may not know, however, is that before he gained international renown as the face of Boer resistance against the British during the South African War (1899 – 1902), he was a successful farmer who owned and worked several farms in the Rustenburg district.

One of these farms was Boekenhoutfontein, whose buildings were devastated by the British during the Boer War. The farm passed to Kruger's descendants following his death in 1904 and was declared a national monument in 1971. The property was acquired by the Recreation Africa Group some 30 years ago and has since been restored to its former glory. It is now home to the Kedar Heritage Lodge, Conference Centre & Spa and the Paul Kruger Country House Museum.



About the Museum

The property encompasses a collection of unique historic buildings and offers a fascinating insight into Kruger's life at a time when South Africa was locked in a struggle for sovereignty with the British Empire. Monuments to the fighting men of the Anglo Boer War created by renowned South African artist Adam Madebe, pay tribute to our great history and are a must-see during your visit.

Kruger's rifle is on display, although it may not be the one with which he killed a lion at the tender age of 14! Also on show are his many bibles, the bellows organ that was played by his wife, as well as numerous gifts given to him by visiting state dignitaries. In close proximity are family graves, the koppie where he sought religious guidance and the saddle in the hills where he hid his horses from British forces.



We are immensely proud of this historical landmark, and urge you to take the time to explore and discover more about the part it has played in our country's history. To add to the experience, enjoy lunch at one of our restaurants, or make a weekend of it and stay overnight at the Lodge.

MEMORIALS &
MEMORABILIA



Step back into the past and marvel at the history that surrounds you. Memorials to prominent figures from the South African Wars including Sol Plaatjies, Mahatma Ghandi, Emily Back, Jan Smuts and Cecil John Rhodes can be found on the property.

Here we celebrate the rich contributions of not only well known personalities but also ordinary men and woman of a by gone era and showcase a vast collection of militaria of the time.



EMILY BACK

On the battlefield at Koster River, on 22nd July 1900, under severe Boer rifle and artillery fire and with complete disregard for her own safety, Emily Back tended to the needs of the wounded Australian soldiers. The bust is situated in a memorial setting, in the grounds of the Paul Kruger Country House Museum at Kedar Heritage Lodge.



MAHATMA GHANDI

For years, the enormous contribution of the Indians and the Indian army (men drawn from the indigenous people of India) to the British war effort in South Africa has largely gone ignored. Many accounts have been published on the role of contingents from Australia, Canada and other countries that took part in the conflict. Their sacrifices have inspired war memorials scattered throughout the world.



SOL PLAATJIES

Solomon Tshekiso Plaatje was a South African intellectual, journalist, linguist, politician, translator and writer. Plaatje was a founder member and first General Secretary of the South African Native National Congress (ANC). The Sol Plaatje Local Municipality, which includes the city of Kimberley, is named after him, as is the Sol Plaatje University in that city, which opened its doors in 2014. His statue is now situated in a memorial setting at Kedar Heritage Lodge.

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JAN SMUTS



Jan Christiaan Smuts fought in the South African war (1899 – 1902) against the British. He served as a commander in the field, demonstrating a particular talent for guerrilla warfare. He went on to enjoy an illustrious career as a prominent South African and British Commonwealth statesman, military leader and philosopher. In addition to holding various cabinet posts, he served as prime minister of the Union of South Africa from 1919 until 1924 and from 1939 until 1948. Smuts holds the unique distinction of being the only individual to sign both peace settlements reached after the First and Second World Wars. Jan Smuts is also one of the driving forces behind the creation of the United Nations.

CECIL JOHN RHODES



Cecil John Rhodes was a British businessman, mining magnate and politician in South Africa, who served as Prime Minister of the Cape Colony from 1890 to 1896. This English imperialist, financier, and mining magnate founded and controlled the British South Africa Company, which acquired Rhodesia and Zambia as British territories. He founded the Rhodes scholarships.

THE SAREL “ROOI BUL” OOSTHUIZEN GUN



General Sarel Francois “Rooi Bul” Oosthuizen, Boer Commandant, had red hair with a luxuriant beard and was therefore known as the Rooi Bul of Krugersdorp. The gun (cannon) was part of Her Majesty’s Forces strategically stationed at Krugersdorp to combat the Boer Forces, including those led by General De Wet and Reitz. Out of sheer audacity, Rooi Bul and his forces set out to capture this and other guns (which were pivotal in the balance power) at the action at Dwarsvlei. The fascinating story of what transpired that day, 11 July 1900, how the gun ended up at Kedar as well as the actual gun can all be found at the memorial at Kedar.

FACILITIES
AVAILABLE AT
KEDAR LODGE



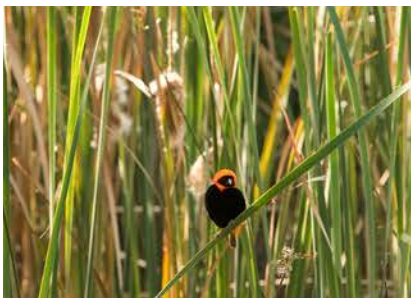
GAME DRIVES

Situated on 1200 acres, Kedar has been game fenced and is populated with a wide variety of game, including eland, blesbok, impala, bushbuck, nyala, kudu, zebra, blue wildebeest, giraffe and sable.



SPA IN THE COUNTRY

Pamper yourself at Spa in the Country, the perfect place to unwind. Conceived and designed as a truly African sanctuary, Spa in the Country uses indigenous African herbs, flowers and spices in all our treatments. These range from anti-stress massage, aromatherapy and reflexology, to advanced biological skin care and water treatments. Our fully-qualified and experienced therapists have been trained to combine ancient African beauty and health therapies with conventional treatments, resulting in a unique approach to body and skin care.



BIRD WATCHING

Kedar is home to many different bird species and significant environmental work has been undertaken to remove alien vegetation and to restore the wetlands to enable a flourishing bird population.

RESTAURANTS AND BARS



THE ARMOURY RESTAURANT

Our Armoury Restaurant is a feast for the senses. Apart from traditional hospitality, diners are exposed to our unique history; in particular, to a fine collection of South African War military memorabilia; and will enjoy authentic South African cuisine in an enchanting ambience.



HEROES' BAR

The Heroes' Bar at Kedar celebrates the heroes of the South African War, no matter the side. Visitors will be amazed by the splendid oil painting collage, the unique chandeliers and other historic artefacts. Even the bar menu is themed around the War. The Heroes' Bar offers a full range of local and imported beverages, cocktails and South African wines, an outdoor seating area and an indoor big screen TV.



THE BOMA

This outdoor venue seats 300 people and has proved popular for informal parties and weddings. With its unique entrance set amid large indigenous trees, a central fire and a traditional outdoor cooking area, the Boma at Kedar offers a uniquely African ambience for relaxed informal buffets and braais, or for private functions.

FACILITIES IN
AND AROUND
KEDAR LODGE



North West (+/- 10 Min drive)

Visit one of 53 Battle Sites in the area

Sun City Casino & The Valley of Waves

Lion Park

Predator World

Pilanesberg National Park

Arts & Crafts Villages

Kwena Gardens Crocodile Farm

Horse Trails

Hot Air Ballooning

Hiking Trails

Royal Bafokeng Stadium

Buffelspoort Dam

Golf Courses – The Lost City Golf Club, The Gary Player at Sun City and the Rustenburg Country Club

Other (+/- 20 Min drive)

Waterfall Mall

TRANSFERS

Transfers can be arranged to venues on request.

Packed lunches and breakfasts can also be arranged for group trips and excursions.