

FACT SHEET

Klaserie River Safari Lodge



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INTRODUCTION

Klaserie River Safari Lodge is located in a private game reserve in the Greater Kruger region in South Africa, perched on the banks of the burgeoning Klaserie River.

This highly acclaimed region of South Africa is on the doorstep of the Kruger National Park, the Blyde River Canyon, and the Panorama Route, which are some of the country's greatest attractions.

Riverfront chalets are blissfully private and overlook the fish-filled waters lined with lush reeds and tall riverine trees. There are standard and luxury rooms, as well as an inter-leading family room, making this a fantastic getaway for those wanting a diverse safari experience with loved ones. Bush walks are enjoyed on Klaserie River Safari Lodge's private property and game drives are conducted on two nearby reserves which boast a variety of life.

Hot air balloon excursions, Blyde River boat cruises, village visits, horseback safaris, endangered species centers, and Kruger National Park day trips are all on the agenda.

AT A GLANCE

- Fully-catered
- 11 luxury wooden chalets are positioned along the banks of the Klaserie River.
- All chalets are thatched & have wooden decks looking onto the river
- Chalets equipped with both single and double beds
- Family-owned and run with home-style hosting and hospitality

- Free-roaming wildlife throughout the camp, particularly zebra, wildebeest, giraffe and impala
- Activity packages tailor-made to incorporate various tours of the Kruger Park, Panoramic region, and other sought after South African attractions
- Affordable getaway in South Africa's safari hub
- Road transfers from Hoedspruit, Eastgate Airport, Johannesburg, OR Tambo Airport
- Located 26km from Hoedspruit town and 16km from Eastgate Airport

FACILITIES

- Two main areas of the lodge, nicknamed 'River Camp' and 'Top Lodge' (5 mins walking distance apart). Both areas have dining areas, separate kitchens, bars, swimming pools and WiFi
- 11 Luxury chalets located at River Camp positioned along the Klaserie River
- Open-air boma for alfresco dining at River Camp
- Two swimming pools with sun loungers at River Camp
- Waterhole visited by various wildlife at Top Lodge
- WiFi freely available in the main lodge areas, but not in rooms
- Two chalets share an inter-leading door, creating a family unit sleeping 4 people
- All chalets have en suite bathrooms (showers only), air-conditioning, wooden viewing decks with tables and chairs, coffee facilities, mini bar fridge and snack menu, ceiling fans, and mosquito nets
- Guest toilets located in main lodge area



ACTIVITIES

- Activity packages tailor-made to incorporate various tours of the Kruger Park, Panoramic region, and other sought after South African attractions
- Game drives take place in two nearby reserves and morning bush walks are enjoyed on the Klaserie River property.
- Cultural village tours
- Visits to local endangered species center
- Hot-air balloon excursions near Hoedspruit
- Boat cruises on the Blyde River
- Panoramic tours
- Kruger National Park day trips
- Morning and afternoon game drives.
- Bird-watching
- Sundowners at various scenic locations
- Horseback safaris - can be arranged on request

A TYPICAL DAY AT KLASERIE RIVER SAFARI LODGE

A typical day at KRSL will start with a wake up for morning activity with coffee and rusks followed by a 2-hour game walk. Return to breakfast back at the lodge and the afternoon is yours to relax. Enjoy a light lunch then get ready for the afternoon activity where safari sundowners are served. Head back to the lodge for a drink by the fire, followed by a delicious three-course dinner.

- 5.45am - Wake up for coffee & rusks.
- 6am - Depart for the morning walk.
- 8.30 - Breakfast is served.
- 10am -1pm - Leisure time spent by the pool or on your private deck.

- 1pm - Lunch is served.
- 4pm - Depart for sunset safari activity.
- 7.30pm - Dinner is served.

Please Note: Timings for safari activities will change according to the season.

LOCATION

Klaserie River Safari Lodge is located in the Greater Kruger region in South Africa, and occupies a plot on the banks of the Klaserie River. This prestigious location is in the middle of the popular Greater Kruger safari hub of South Africa.

Within day-trip distance is the Kruger National Park (Orpen Gate), the Panorama Route, Blyde River Canyon, various endangered species centres, and thrilling outdoor activities. The town of Hoedspruit is only 26km away and the local Eastgate Airport is only 16km away, making the lodge very easily accessible.

HOW TO GET THERE

Klaserie River Safari Lodge offers transfers to and from Johannesburg OR Tambo Airport and Hoedspruit Eastgate Airport; however, the lodge is easily accessible for self driving guests.

From Hoedspruit:

Exit Hoedspruit on the R40 in a southerly direction (towards Hazyview/White River). About 6km out of town, turn left at a sign for Timbavati/Eastgate Airport. As you turn, Kapama Game Reserve will be on your right. Pass through control gates and continue straight down the



tar road (Argyle Road). You will pass Eastgate Airport on your left – continue straight for 16km until you turn right onto the Guernsey Road (dirt road). Continue on the Guernsey Road until you see a sign for KRSL 100m to the right. Klaserie River Safari Lodge on the right.

From Johannesburg:

Take the N12 or N4 highway to Witbank/eMalahleni (from Johannesburg Airport, follow signs to Boksburg to find the N12). Follow the N4 highway past Middleburg (Toll Plaza), Belfast and Machadadorp (Toll Plaza). Follow the Schoemanskloof option on the N4 and then take the R36 to Lydenburg/Mashishing.

Follow the R36 to Ohrigstad, go through the Strydom Tunnel and take the R527 to Hoedspruit. Turn right onto the R40 towards Klaserie, and continue along this road until you see the turn off to the left for Eastgate Airport. Turn here (Argyle Road) and you will pass through the control gate where Kapama Game Reserve is on your right. You will pass Eastgate Airport on your left – continue



straight for 16km until you turn right onto the Guernsey Road (dirt road). Continue on the Guernsey Road until you see the sign for KRSL gates 100m to the right.

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Child Policy

Children are welcome at Klaserie River Safari Lodge, but parents are reminded that it is an unfenced camp and children are to be supervised at all times.

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 31°C in January with the average minimum occurring in July at a temperature of 8.5°C.

Wildlife

During the dry season the vegetation is sparse and wildlife congregates around watering holes. During the wet season the vegetation is dense and wildlife is more dispersed.

In addition to the Big 5 species that are regularly sighted in the Kruger Park and Greater Kruger region and enjoyed at close range, animals frequently seen include giraffe, zebra, warthog, spotted hyena, baboon, hippo, impala,



kudu, vervet monkey, waterbuck, wildebeest, bush baby, mongoose, duiker and steenbok.

Some other very special members of the wild you might also see include the wild dog, cheetah, honey badger, porcupine, aardvark, civet, caracal and serval. Birds can be spotted from all over the lodge, but some of the top species are vultures, owls, bee-eaters, rollers, eagles, bustards, hornbills, starlings and shrikes.

Malaria

Before travelling, guests are encouraged to consult their local doctors on anti-malarial medication and preparation, however a repellent stick or spray is effective and should be utilised. All rooms have mosquito nets as an extra repellent.

What to pack

The climate in the Kruger lowveld brings 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.
- 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.

