



THE ROYAL PORTFOLIO

ROYAL MALEWANE

The Farmstead



ACTIVITIES
IN THE GREATER
KRUGER PARK



MOHOLOHOLO WILDLIFE REHABILITATION CENTRE

Situated in the shadow of the majestic “Mariepskop” this unique conservancy is home to many wild animals. A visit to the Moholoholo Wildlife Rehabilitation centre is an unforgettable experience. A wide variety of birds and animals can be seen here, where Brian Jones and his team nurture the injured and orphaned, rehabilitating them for release back to the wild wherever possible. Those that are not so fortunate, due to the nature and extent of their injuries, are cared for in captivity to educate the many people who visit Moholoholo each year. Guided tours through the Centre bring visitors in close contact with both common and rare species such as the Crowned and Martial eagles, Owls & Vultures as well as Serval, Wild Dogs, Lions, Leopard and many other animals and birds.

The Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre at Moholoholo contributes to the conservation of endangered species and the rehabilitation of injured and poisoned wildlife. Moholoholo also facilitates a number of successful breeding programs.

- 2 ½ hour tour
- 1st Tour departs at 09h30 and the 2nd Tour departs at 15h00
- CLOSED SUNDAYS

ELEPHANT BACK SAFARIS

In March 2002 Zimbabwe prepared for an election and due to the invasion of farms by war veterans the future of a group of twelve trained elephants was in jeopardy. Lente Roode and her team launched a rescue mission and the elephants were successfully relocated to the safe haven of Camp Jabulani.

Camp Jabulani has morning safari's 365 days a year! At first you will be introduced to the elephants through a fascinating introductory speech on elephants and their behavior in general. The team will also highlight interesting facts about their anatomy and how these magnificent creatures are adapted to their life in the African bush. During this session you will be allowed to get up close and personal with our friendly herd of pachyderms, allowing for many exciting photo opportunities. After this short session, you then move over to the exciting part of the excursion: mounting the elephants in preparation for your excursion. We then set off on our safari, walking slowly through the bush, observing the abundant fauna and flora around us, stopping at special sightings and for the occasional photo opportunity. After about an hour or so on elephant back, your safari terminates and you will have the opportunity to browse at our Curio shop.

Please note that clients are requested to sign an indemnity form and that this activity is not available to children under 6 years. The twelve elephants can carry a maximum of 18 people between them at any one time. Morning Elephant-back Safari departs at about 05h30 (depending on time of year) for 1½ hours interaction and ride.





SUN CATCHERS HOT AIR BALLOON FLIGHT

These Balloon Flights are subject to weather. We use a company called Sun Catchers Hot Air Ballooning, please note that the flight does not guarantee the viewing of game / wildlife.

Flight Details:

We offer one hour-long flights over the scenic, Lowveld section of the Blyde River, West of Hoedspruit. The terrain is a mixture of farmland and private nature reserves at the foot of the Drakensberg Escarpment. The mountains to the South and West provide shelter from the prevailing winds, thereby affording us good flying weather on most days. On very calm days, we sometimes offer flights over the Kapama Nature Reserve, South-East of Hoedspruit. Our pilots and crew will ensure a safe, enjoyable and informative adventure that will be one of the highlights of your visit to the Kruger to Canyons Biosphere.

What to expect:

We meet before sunrise and coffee is served while you watch your eight-storey high balloon being inflated and prepared for flight. After a safety briefing you should be airborne in time to witness the sunrise. The height above ground will vary between skimming the tree-tops to as high as 2 000 feet as the pilot changes altitude in search of favorable wind directions and speeds.

SUN CATCHERS HOT AIR BALLOON FLIGHT (*Cont.*)

As the sun rises, the landscape, the vegetation and, if you're lucky, some wildlife will provide photo opportunities. Game spotting cannot be guaranteed but on most flights we see plains game like giraffe and wildebeest. The flight duration is about an hour and towards the end of the flight the pilot will select a suitable landing site. The landing is an exciting event because the basket meets the earth at whatever speed the surface wind is at the time. Light airs allow the softest of landings while fresh breezes necessitate a "positive" landing so that the basket can serve as an anchor to slow the envelope down. If not already at the landing site, the ground crew will soon arrive to deflate and pack the balloon while passengers enjoy fruit juice and sparkling wine.

A minimum of 2 (two) passengers and a maximum of 12 (twelve) per flight. If you are alone, enquire anyway there might be a flight with space available. If weather conditions don't allow on the day of your booking, you are entitled to a full refund, or you can choose to carry your ticket over to another day. Please note that we require each person's weight when booking this activity.

Passengers must be fit enough to stand unassisted for an hour and must also be able to climb in and out of the basket. Youngsters are welcome but should be at least 1.2m (4 foot) tall, so that they can see over the rim of the basket. Regrettably, pregnant persons may not participate in a balloon flight until after the joyous day.



HELICOPTER FLIGHTS

ALL FLIGHTS ARE WEATHER DEPENDENT

BLYDE BLOWER (Approximately 1 hour)

This is our most popular package. This is a spectacular flight over some of the most scenic areas in our country like the Blyde River Canyon, Gods Window and the Pinnacle. En route we fly over some of the breathtaking waterfalls renowned in the area (which are awesome in the summer months after the rains) like the Mac Mac, Lisbon and Berlin Falls. We stop at a private picnic spot where your guests can experience the ambience and are close to nature while enjoying their meal. The helicopter departs from the Royal Malewane Airstrip (15 minutes from the lodge).

WATERFALL WISK (Approximately 40 minutes)

Another popular second choice is a shortened version of the above; the helicopter flies over the breathtaking waterfalls, Gods Window and the Pinnacle. This option does not include a picnic stop. The helicopter departs from the Royal Malewane Airstrip (15 minutes from the lodge).

FIXED WING

Done in a Cessna 206

BLYDE BLOWER (Approximately 1 hour) This is the same as the helicopter package but unfortunately there is no stop for a picnic.

FLY & RIDE (1 Hour 40 minutes)

A flight in a fixed wing Cessna 206 from the lodge to Kaapsehoop where you can experience the view of the breath-taking escarpment on horseback. Total time away from the lodge is approximately 3 hours.





AFRICAN HORSE COMPANY HORSEBACK RIDING

The horse trails are conducted on the Hoedspruit Wildlife Estate. The Reserve is home to a vast variety of birds and animals such as giraffe, kudu, wildebeest, warthog, impala and many other plains game. Beginners, intermediate and advanced riders are welcome and it is advisable to wear comfortable clothing, long trousers and shoes with rubber soles. The excursion is around 1 and half hours and you will be transferred by road to the Wildlife Estate, 45 minutes from the lodge. The ride follows game paths, through riverbeds. Times of the trail can be advised at time of booking, although early morning and late afternoon rides are optimal. Please advise on each rider's experience level when enquiring (advanced or beginner). No under 6 year olds please.



CANYON CRUISE

This tour features a stunning cruise on the Blyde Dam situated in the breathtaking Blyde River Canyon. The cruise includes a light lunch or picnic on board and an opportunity to learn about the geology, wildlife and biology of this unique area. The cruise is about an hour and a half and is a wonderful experience featuring some exquisite natural beauty. Departs after morning game drive and breakfast. A light picnic is provided by the Lodge.

A LUXURY GOLF EXPERIENCE

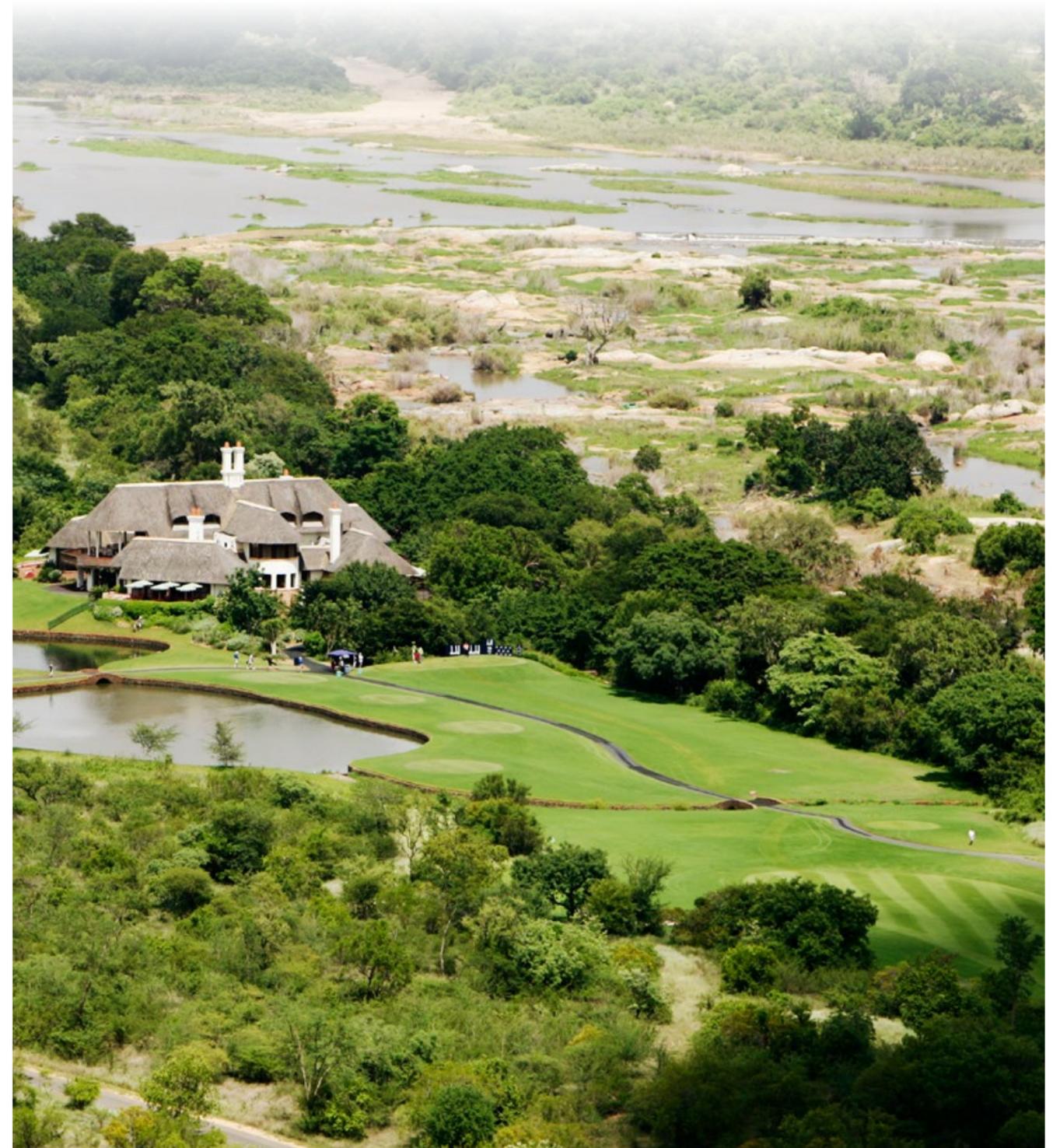
Royal Malewane is situated in the wild and beautiful Greater Kruger National Park. The exclusive Leopard Creek Country Club, with its innovative course designed by Gary Player, is located on the southern border of the Kruger Park. Every hole is as picturesque and exciting as the other with the Crocodile River acting as an unusual water hazard on Leopard Creek's signature hole, the par-5 13th. A scenic helicopter flight to the golf course, personalised fitting of golfing equipment and the chance of sighting animals on the course makes for a truly memorable time.

Non-members are unfortunately not permitted to play on Saturdays, Sundays, School holidays or Public holidays.

This rate is inclusive of collection transfer, golf cart, golf club hire, 1 sleeve of golf balls, changing room facilities and halfway house snacks. No accompanying non-players will be allowed on the course or into the clubhouse. Appropriate golfing attire: Shirts with collar and sleeves | White socks with short pants. Golf shoes with golf/rubber spikes | Tailored trousers or shorts.

This rate is exclusive of transfer from Royal Malewane to Leopard Creek as well as any additional food and beverage purchases and items from the Pro Shop. All rates are subject to change without notification.

PLEASE ENQUIRE IN ADVANCE to ensure The Golf Course is not closed for routine maintenance.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

SIGAGULE NHLUVUKO CRECHE ACORNHOEK

Royal Malewane has a lot of heart for our local Community and we therefore decided our charitable giving was to be focused on Children and Education. **OUR MISSION** was to create a meaningful change in the lives of the children of the Sigagule Crèche, from the closest community to us, Sigagule, by creating an environment where they could learn and have fun while learning in a safe and healthy environment.

The Sigagule Crèche has, 86 pupils who were housed in a class room only big enough for 30 children and who only receive a grant from the Government sufficient to feed 38 children. They had no running water on the property and two very primitive toilet facilities. Royal Malewane with the help of very generous donations from our guests have been able to complete the following improvements at the school:

- Built an additional classroom for the children
- Painted the interior of the existing classroom and hung blinds on the windows
- Lay water pipes to the kitchen and built new toilet facilities
- Built a jungle gym and play area for the children
- Laid out a complete vegetable garden (which now supplies 80% of their vegetables) and planted fruit trees.
- Purchase mattresses for nap time for the children, as they were sleeping on a mat on the concrete floor
- Plastered, painted and put shelving and a stove in their kitchen
- Baby room for the smaller children and babies
- Introducing and training of a Step By Step teachers curriculum for the Crèche and other rural schools in our area
- **This transfer is complimentary;** please note that there won't be children at the school on weekends and school holidays.





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