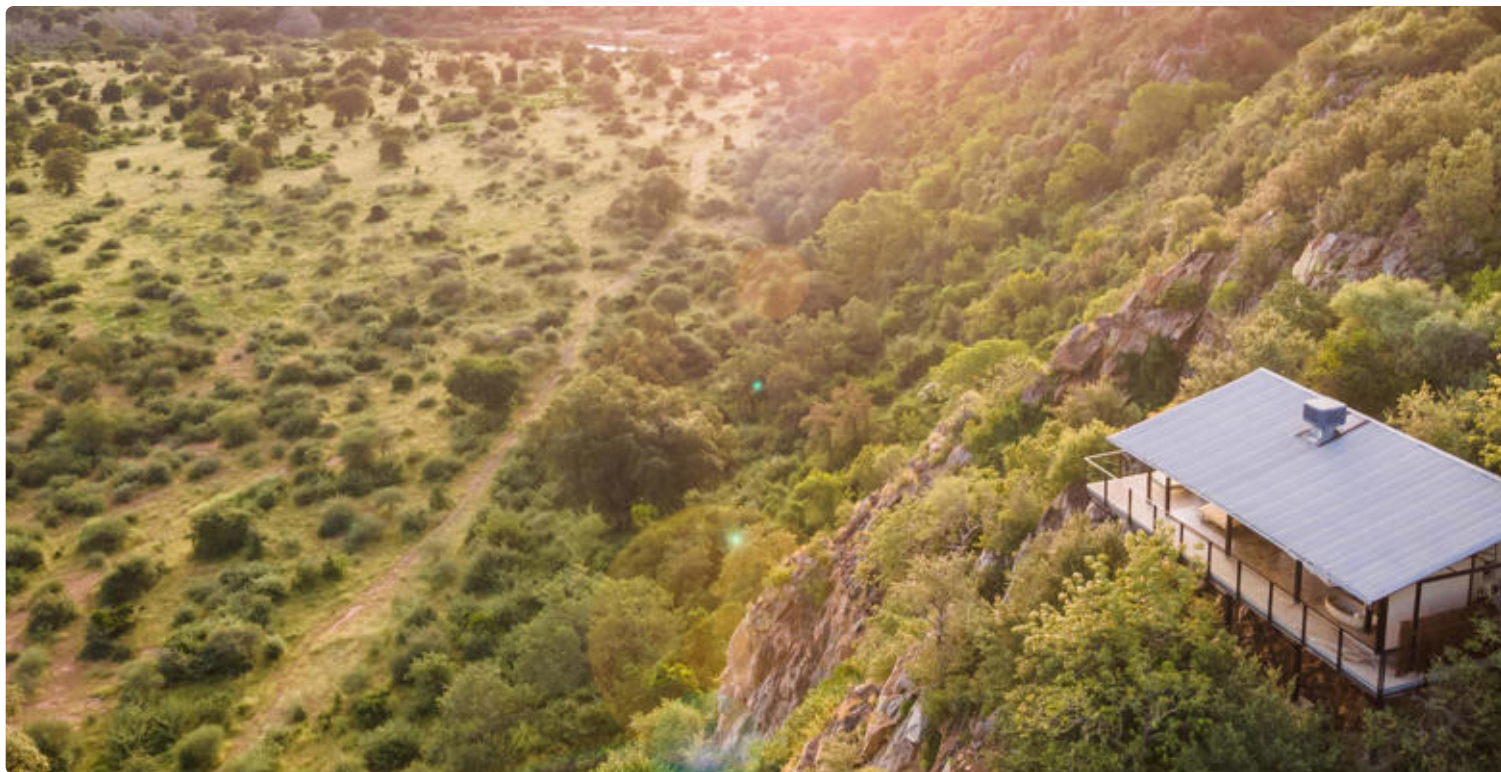




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South Africa's Big Five Trio

\$4800 per person

Discover the Unique Wonders of a Trio of South Africa's Premier Safari Destinations that are home to the Big 5

Madikwe Game Reserve, Home to the Big Five and over 60 mammal species, Madikwe is renowned for its thriving populations of endangered wild dogs. Experience the thrill of tracking these elusive predators in their natural habitat. It is Malaria free so offers a safe safari experience without the need for medication. With our choice of opulent accommodations that blend seamlessly into the landscape, it provides an intimate and immersive experience with nature.

Welgevonden Game Reserve is nestled in the Waterberg mountains, Welgevonden boasts breathtaking vistas and lush vegetation, creating a picturesque backdrop for your Big 5 safari adventures. With limited lodges and fewer tourists, Welgevonden offers a more private and tranquil safari experience, perfect for couples or those seeking solitude. It provides a variety of ecosystems, from open savannas to dense bushveld, supporting a rich diversity of wildlife and bird species.

Northern Kruger National Park (Pafuri) : The Makuleke concession (Pafuri region) in the northern Kruger park is steeped in history, featuring ancient rock art and archaeological sites that offer a glimpse into the lives of early inhabitants. The confluence of the Luvuvhu and Limpopo rivers creates a unique environment, attracting an abundance of wildlife, including rare species like the Sharpe's Grysbok. As well as the Big

5, the area is known for its exceptional birding opportunities, Pafuri is a must-visit for avian enthusiasts, with over 400 species recorded, including the shy Pel's fishing owl.

Experience the Best of the Bush with the Big 5 Trio

Whether you're captivated by the wildlife, enchanted by the landscapes, or eager to immerse yourself in local culture, the Africa Sky Runners "Big Five Trio" Flying Safari offers a unique safari experience that will leave you with unforgettable memories.

Join us for a flying safari that showcases the best of Madikwe, Welgevonden, and Pafuri in the Northern Kruger!

Above price per person is for two people and includes accommodation, meals and local drinks, all flights with Africa Sky Runners (1 aircraft), airport taxes and landing fees.

(Price shown is per person for 4 people : For 3 people price is \$5200 per person; for 2 people price is \$6800 per person)

Includes personal pilot, host and guide for the duration of the trip

All excursions are included. Additional excursions can be added on request for additional fees.

Trip Summary

Day 1

10:00 AM Africa Sky Runners - Private Flight Cessna 206/ Cessna 210
 12:00 PM Check in at Rockfig Lodge Madikwe - Rockfig Lodge Madikwe
 Afternoon game drive

Day 2

Accommodation at Rockfig Lodge Madikwe - Rockfig Lodge Madikwe
 Early morning Game walk
 Afternoon game drive

Day 3

Early morning game drive
 10:00 AM Direct flight from Madikwe to Welgevonden with Africa Sky Runners
 Land in Welgevonden airstrip and Transfer to the Ekuthuleni lodge
 Check in at Ekuthuleni Lodge
 Evening Game walk

Day 4

Ekuthuleni Lodge - Ekuthuleni Lodge
 Morning game drive
 Evening Game walk and sundowners in the bush

Day 5

Early morning Welgevonden game drive
 10:00 AM Direct flight from Welgevonden to Kruger Park with Africa Sky Runners
 Land at Pafuri airstrip and Transfer to the Outpost Lodge
 Check in at The Outpost - The Outpost
 Sundowners at Lanner Gorge overlooking Luvuvu River Canyon

Day 6

The Outpost - The Outpost
 Experience a walk in the ethereal Pafuri Fever Tree forest
 Experience a might ancient baobab tree up close
 Afternoon game drive

Day 7

Picnic breakfast in the Fever tree forest
 10:00 AM Direct flight back to Johannesburg

Day 1



DEPARTURE 10:00 AM - 1 hr 30 min - South Africa Standard Time

Africa Sky Runners - Private Flight Cessna 206/ Cessna 210

Start your incredible adventure with Africa Sky Runners and board your flight at Lanseria (or Wonderboom regional) airport for a direct flight into your bush adventure at Madikwe game reserve

Flights are conducted in a Cessna 206 single engine piston, 6 seater, CAA Type-Certified aircraft by a qualified and type-rated pilot



CHECK-IN 12:00 PM - South Africa Standard Time

Check in at Rockfig Lodge Madikwe

Rockfig is a small and intimate lodge nestled in the unspoilt wilderness of Madikwe Game reserve.

Each villa is set apart from the rest, giving you a sense of complete immersion in the African wilderness. Unwind in luxury in our modern villas which are as comfortable as they are contemporary, and complete with all the amenities you need.

Delight your senses; the luxurious comfort of your villa, refreshing dips in your private plunge pool, amazing sunsets, delicious dining, beautiful bird calls and the exciting sounds of the African wildlife.

The beautiful hilltop setting and our luxurious accommodation combine to ensure a truly memorable African safari. Our experienced team work around the clock to indulge your comfort and curiosity, and to exceed your expectations.

Madikwe is known for its large herds of elephants, lions and the re-introduction of wild dogs. Early morning and late afternoon safaris are designed to take advantage of the best game viewing times in the day.



Rockfig Lodge Madikwe
Madikwe, North West, ZA, 2840



Afternoon game drive

Get closer to thrilling wildlife interactions and see creatures big and small on morning and afternoon game drives in open 4 wheel drive safari vehicles

A wildlife sighting is always unpredictable and that's what makes a game drive so exciting. Look out for tracks. Listening for alarm calls and be on the alert for nearby predators. There's so much to see, and being the first to spot something brings a whole new level of satisfaction to your day.



Day 2



Accommodation at Rockfig Lodge Madikwe



Rockfig Lodge Madikwe

Madikwe, North West, ZA, 2840



Early morning Game walk

Experience wild Africa on foot:

Embark on a captivating adventure through the heart of the wild with a guided bush walk in the renowned Madikwe game reserve. As the golden sun rises, casting its golden light over the veld, you'll be led by experienced and knowledgeable guides who will point out secrets of the wild. The earthy scent of the bush, the distant calls of exotic birds, and the rustling of unseen creatures will heighten your senses, connecting you intimately with nature. Your journey unfolds along winding trails, each step revealing tracks of elusive animals and stories etched in the soil. With the expert guidance of your hosts, you'll witness the intricate web of life that thrives in this remarkable ecosystem – from the intricate insects that thrive beneath the leaves to the majestic predators that rule the land. This immersive encounter grants you a deeper appreciation for the delicate balance of nature



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Day 3



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DEPARTURE 10:00 AM - 1 hr - South Africa Standard Time

Direct flight from Madikwe to Welgevonden with Africa Sky Runners

Continue your adventure and enjoy the freedom flexibility and exclusivity of your dedicated aircraft and pilot ready to take you to your next "Best of the Bush" destination

Your private flight will take you from Madikwe directly to the our next Bush destination - the wonderful Welgevonden Game reserve in the Waterberg.

A short 1 hour hop in our Cessna will have you immersed in your next Bush adventure destination with comfort and ease.



- 30 min - South Africa Standard Time

Land in Welgevonden airstrip and Transfer to the Ekuthuleni lodge

Land directly in the Welgevonden game reserve and be met by your personal Safari guide who will be your professional guide for the next 2 nights and transfer to Ekuthuleni - your home for the next 2 nights.



Check in at Ekuthuleni Lodge

Welgevonden Game Reserve is set in the shadow of the ancient Waterberg mountains, and is home to more than 65 mammal species, including the Big Five. The density of wildlife in the reserve, its easy accessibility and its status as a malaria-free destination make it the perfect location for an escape from the city surrounded by the beauty and tranquillity of a pristine wilderness.

Welgevonden Game Reserve is incredibly diverse, offering sightings of hundreds of other species of mammals, reptiles, frogs, birds and insects.

- High wildlife density with exceptional Big 5 sightings
- Abundant resident and migratory birdlife
- Diverse and breathtaking landscapes
- Malaria-free reserve

Standing sentinel over the savanna at the foot of a rocky ridge in the centre of Welgevonden Game Reserve, Ekuthuleni Lodge offers guests a classic Big 5 safari experience. This elegant property has five standalone suites complemented by generous indoor and outdoor living spaces and expansive views of a bustling waterhole – providing exclusivity and intimacy - a perfect getaway.

Translated as “Place of Peace”, Ekuthuleni Lodge is a soothing and idyllic home-away-from-home; an African bush escape that offers guests contemporary comfort and quiet serenity.



Evening Game walk

Experience wild Africa on foot:

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Day 4



Ekuthuleni Lodge



Ekuthuleni Lodge

Welgevonden Game Reserve 0530, Welgevonden Game Reserve, South Africa



Morning game drive

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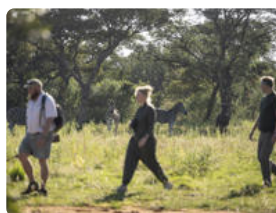
Evening Game walk and sundowners in the bush

Experience wild Africa on foot:

Embark on a captivating adventure through the heart of the wild with a guided bush walk in the renowned Welgevonden game reserve.

As the golden sun slowly sets, casting its golden light over the veld, you'll be led by experienced and knowledgeable guides who will point out secrets of the wild.

Finish the experience with an amazing sundowner in a bush setting.



Day 5



Early morning Welgevonden game drive

Get closer to thrilling wildlife interactions and see creatures big and small on morning and afternoon game drives in open 4 wheel drive safari vehicles

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DEPARTURE 10:00 AM - 1 hr - South Africa Standard Time

Direct flight from Welgevonden to Kruger Park with Africa Sky Runners

Continue your adventure and enjoy the freedom flexibility and exclusivity of your dedicated aircraft and pilot ready to take you to your next "Best of the Bush" destination

Your private flight will take you from Welgevonden directly to the our next Bush destination - the world famous Kruger National Park - and the Northern Makuleki concession - or Pafuri region.

A short 1 hour and 15 minute flight in our Cessna will have you immersed in your next Bush adventure destination with comfort and ease.



- 30 min - South Africa Standard Time

Land at Pafuri airstrip and Transfer to the Outpost Lodge

Land at Pafuri airstrip inside the Makuleke concession of the Kruger National Park. Be met by your personal Safari guide who will be your professional guide for the next 2 nights and transfer to the outpost lodge





Check in at The Outpost

Pafuri is arguably one of the most scenically beautiful and diverse wilderness areas in the Kruger National Park. This 26,500ha private concession, belonging to the Makuleke people, boasts nearly 80% of the Kruger Park's biodiversity. Immerse yourself in the beauty, splendour and stillness.

In the heart of the untamed Pafuri region, the Outpost Lodge stands as an oasis of luxury and tranquility amidst the wilderness. Surrounded by the lush landscapes of Kruger National Park, this architectural marvel seamlessly blends into its surroundings, offering an unparalleled connection to nature. As you step inside, the lodge's elegant design welcomes you with open arms – minimalist yet sophisticated, allowing the breathtaking views to take center stage. The expansive suites, perched on a hill, provide panoramic vistas of the Luvuvhu River below and the abundant wildlife that frequents its banks. Whether indulging in gourmet dining, lounging by the infinity pool, or simply gazing at the African sunset from your private deck, every moment at the Outpost Lodge is a harmonious blend of luxury and the untamed beauty of Pafuri.

Enjoy your evening meals under the stars alongside a crackling campfire. Unwind with a luxurious spa treatment in the privacy of your room. Experience the wilderness on morning and late afternoon game drives, taking in the astonishing biodiversity of the concession and its spectacular landscapes.

Check out more details of the lodge [here](#)



The Outpost

Makuleke Contractual Park, Makuleke Contractual Park, South Africa



Sundowners at Lanner Gorge overlooking Luvuvhu River Canyon

A view that rivals the Grand Canyon but in Africa's sublime wilderness:

Experience a gin and tonic overlooking as the sun dips toward the horizon, casting its golden light over the sprawling landscape, you'll find yourself perched atop the rugged cliffs of Lanner Gorge, a vantage point that offers a breathtaking panorama of untamed beauty. The tranquil sounds of the wilderness serenade you as you raise a glass to toast the day's end, the warm colors of the sunset reflecting in the crystal-clear waters of the Luvuvhu River below. It's a moment of serenity and reflection, a chance to connect intimately with nature and bask in the sheer magnitude of the African wilderness. With the company of knowledgeable guides, fellow adventurers, and the rustling leaves of the ancient trees, this experience etches an indelible memory that captures the very essence of Africa's wild heart.



Day 6



The Outpost



The Outpost

Makuleke Contractual Park, Makuleke Contractual Park, South Africa



Experience a walk in the ethereal Pafuri Fever Tree forest

The Pafuri Fever Tree Forest, located in the Makuleke part of the Kruger National Park in South Africa, is a unique and captivating natural phenomenon. The forest's formation is primarily attributed to the specific ecological conditions of the area. Fever trees (*Vachellia xanthophloea*), known for their distinctive yellow-green bark, thrive in wetland and marshy environments, and they are particularly drawn to soils with a high water table. The forest has formed along the banks of the Luvuvhu River, where these conditions are met.

Through a unique set of conditions a many of these trees grew close together creating the dense and enchanting forest that visitors can experience today.

The Pafuri Fever Tree Forest is not only a visual spectacle but also a testament to the complex interactions between the landscape, water, and plant life in this remarkable ecosystem.

As you step into this enchanting realm, you are surrounded by a multitude of slender, pale trunks rising from the earth like sentinels. The unique, luminescent yellow-green bark of the fever trees creates an ethereal ambiance, particularly when bathed in the golden light of sunrise or sunset. The forest floor is dappled with sunlight that filters through the branches, casting intricate patterns on the ground below. The air is infused with a sense of tranquility, as the rustling leaves and occasional bird call create a delicate symphony that underscores the forest's beauty.



Experience a might ancient baobab tree up close

Estimated to be over 2500 years old, the mighty giant aged baobab tree in Pafuri stands as a timeless sentinel, a living testament to the passage of centuries and the stories whispered within its gnarled bark. Its immense trunk, weathered by the elements and adorned with deep crevices, seems to hold the secrets of generations past.

Touch its bark and feel its massive presence - both awe-inspiring and humbling. Its shaded refuge that has for centuries allowed weary travelers to seek solace under its ancient embrace. As the sun sets, the baobab's outline transforms into a dark silhouette against the colorful horizon, embodying the essence of Africa's untamed beauty. This iconic tree is not merely a botanical wonder but a living monument, a custodian of history and a symbol of the enduring spirit of Pafuri's wilderness.



Afternoon game drive

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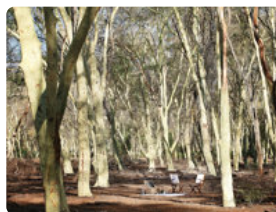


Day 7



Picnic breakfast in the Fever tree forest

Imagine a tranquil picnic amidst the enchanting Pafuri Fever Tree Forest, a place of ethereal beauty and captivating serenity. Beneath the shade of the feathery foliage, a gentle breeze rustles the leaves, creating a soothing melody that accompanies the symphony of nature around you. The golden sunlight filters through the branches, casting dappled patterns on the forest floor. Your picnic spread, a delightful array of local delicacies and fresh fruits, blends seamlessly with the enchanting surroundings. With each sip of your drink, you're not just enjoying a picnic; you're becoming a part of the forest's timeless tale, connecting with the land and its secrets. The Pafuri Fever Tree Forest transforms your meal into a meditative escape, where every bite carries the essence of the wild and every moment is an ode to the enchantment of the African wilderness.



DEPARTURE 10:00 AM - 2 hr 30 min -

Direct flight back to Johannesburg

All to soon your Bush experience is over:

However with the ease and comfort of your dedicated aircraft and pilot, your flight back from Pafuri to Lanseria in your Cessna is quick and easy.

A short 2 hour flight has you back in time for lunch.

