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Ngala Private Game Reserve



A Big Five and wild dog haven



⌘ Beyond Ngala Private Game Reserve shares an unfenced boundary with the world-renowned Kruger National Park, South Africa's largest wildlife sanctuary, and one of the biggest game reserves in the world.

Why visit Ngala Private Game Reserve?



1

ICONIC LOCATION

Ngala Private Game Reserve shares unfenced borders with the world-renowned Kruger National Park, nearly 2 million hectares (4.9 million acres) of unrivalled wilderness and wildlife land, home to the Big Five and more species of large mammals than any other African game reserve.



2

INCREDIBLE WILDLIFE

Guests who visit Ngala Private Game Reserve are promised more than just a wildlife experience. The Big Five game reserve is home to an abundance of elephant and buffalo herds, large lion prides, leopard, spotted hyena, wild dog, giraffe, rhino, and more.



3

PRIVATE CONCESSION

Ngala Private Game Reserve has exclusive traversing rights on 14 700 hectares (36 324 acres) of wilderness land, which means guests can explore the reserve on foot free from the constraints of roads and vehicles, embark on thrilling game drives, or venture sensitively off-road for intimate wildlife encounters.



4

TREEHOUSE SLEEPOUT

Experience the romance of Africa in the luxurious Ngala Treehouse; a remote overnight retreat allowing guests to sleep on an elevated and safe platform, under a blanket of stars. Indulge in unsurpassed comfort, featuring a warm, running shower and flushing toilet, all while enjoying the most exclusive wilderness experience.

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Why travel with &Beyond?

1 TRAVEL WITH HEART
Our core ethos of "Care of Land, Wildlife & People" drives all that we do. When you travel with us you make a meaningful contribution to the preservation of our world's cultures and wildlife, and leave with an opportunity to gain first-hand experience in some of our conservation and community initiatives.

2 IN OUR HANDS
We are on call 24/7 to assist you throughout your journey. With over 2 000 &Beyonders, including guides and ground logistics teams on three continents, you will be in our hands from the moment you arrive to the moment you leave. Additionally, we offer a personal concierge service that is only a phone call away should you require any assistance at any point during your trip.

3 FINEST GUIDES
We operate three ranger training schools and are renowned for having the most highly trained, professional and knowledgeable guides, rangers, naturalists and trackers, who offer intriguing cultural insights as well as interpretive wildlife experiences.

4 TRAVEL EXPERTS
Big or small, we're all about tailoring trips around your specific interests and expectations. Our expert travel specialists are able to personalise a range of experiences for individual travellers, groups, families, wedding parties, and special interest groups.

5 PERFECT MOMENTS
With journeys lovingly crafted from perfect moments, you will return from an &Beyond adventure feeling that nothing will take your breath away quite like this ever again. Our collection of signature experiences are often exclusive to &Beyond, ensuring a unique adventure.



I cannot express how truly impactful our stay was – from the unbelievable location, peace, and seclusion, to the unbeatable accommodation. ”

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Travel South Africa and beyond

South Africa has an excellent travel network that makes it easy to reach any destination, by air or road.



GETTING TO NGALA PRIVATE GAME RESERVE

Federal Air offers daily scheduled flights from Johannesburg and Nelspruit to the Ngala Private Game Reserve airstrip, followed by an easy drive to both lodges.

Daily scheduled flights from Cape Town to Hoedspruit Airport are available, followed by a 2-hour road transfer to the reserve.

Connect Ngala Private Game Reserve to Johannesburg, Cape Town, the Sabi Sand Nature Reserve or Beyond Phinda Private Game Reserve – all flights route through either Nelspruit or Skukuza.

It's a 6–7 hour drive from Johannesburg, although driving is not recommended.

TRAVEL TIMES						
JOHANNESBURG						
✈️	5hrs 18mins (466,3 km) *2hrs 10mins (45mins layover)	KRUGER NATIONAL PARK - NGALA PRIVATE GAME RESERVE				
	5hrs 22mins (452,1 km) *50mins	2hrs 4mins (89,4 km) *45mins	SABI SAND - SOUTH (SKUKUZA AIRPORT)			
✈️	6hrs 11mins (488,1 km) *2hrs 15mins	1hr 18mins (46,8 km) *45mins	1hr 51mins (80 km) Not available	SABI SAND - NORTH		
	6hrs 35mins (533,8 km) *3hrs 25mins (1hr 25mins layover)	8hrs 48mins (657 km) *2hrs 10mins (20mins layover)	7hrs 34mins (590 km) *3hrs 20mins (50mins layover)	8hrs 40mins (636 km) *4hrs 45mins	PHINDA	
✈️	14hrs 14mins (1 397,8 km) *2hrs 10mins	19hrs 59mins (1 907 km) *3hrs 35mins	19hrs 33mins (1 849 km) *4hrs	20hrs 53mins (1 890 km) *4hrs	20hrs 31mins (1 830 km) *4hrs 35mins (45mins layover)	CAPE TOWN

*Airlink flights may include layovers ranging from 20 minutes to 2 hours depending on routing. Return flight times may differ for this reason.

BEYOND LODGES

- KRUGER NATIONAL PARK**
Ngala Safari Lodge
Ngala Tented Camp
- PHINDA PRIVATE GAME RESERVE**
Phinda Mountain Lodge
Phinda Forest Lodge
Phinda Rock Lodge
Phinda Vlei Lodge
Phinda Zuka Lodge
Phinda Homestead

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Explore Ngala Private Game Reserve

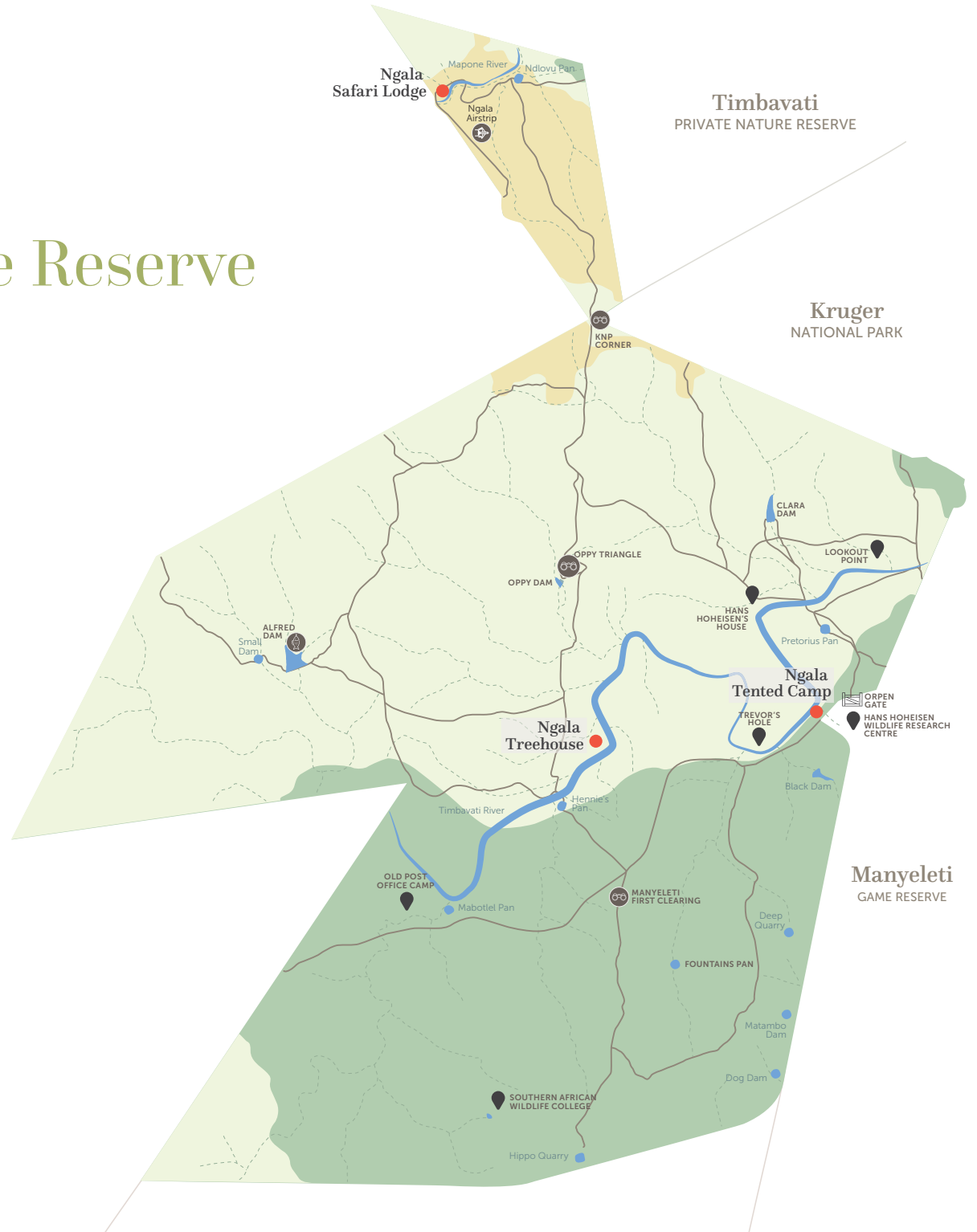
This 14 700-hectare (36 324-acre) reserve is a sanctuary of untouched wilderness, shaped by three distinct vegetation zones.

VEGETATION ZONES

- Mopane woodland (granite)
- Bushwillow woodland (granite)
- Knobthorn savanna (gabbro)

MAP KEY

- Red dot: &Beyond Lodge
- Black pin: Place of interest
- Blue circle: Waterbody
- Blue line: River
- Grey line: Road
- Dashed line: Drainage line
- Binoculars icon: Lookout & hide
- Fishing icon: Fishing



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Regional information

Altitude	418 m (1 372 ft) above sea level
Malaria area	The reserve is situated in a malaria area. Consult your medical professional for advice on whether precautions need to be taken.
Airstrip / Helipad	Access via the Ngala Safari Lodge airstrip
GPS coordinates	24°22.843'S 31°19.328'E
Best time to travel	Game viewing is excellent year-round
Weather	Summer months (November to March) are hot and humid. Temperatures start to cool slightly in April, where the winter months (May to June) are warm with cold nights. July to September is very dry, with cold night and early morning / late afternoon temperatures. Spring (September to October) is very dry, with hot winds.
Rainfall	The rains start towards the end of October. November to March can experience rains and typical afternoon thundershowers, which start to lessen in April.
Temperature averages	Summer: 18°C – 36°C / 64°F – 96°F Winter: 2°C – 16°C / 36°F – 62°F

I've seldom met such a dedicated staff, who will go out of their way to make you feel at home. ”

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Adventures of a lifetime

Encounter iconic wildlife on an &Beyond African safari and enjoy an array of private and specialist experiences.



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Experiences and highlights

Beyond has much to offer – from twice-daily game drives to a range of private and specialist experiences.



1

SAFARI GAME DRIVE

Sharing an unfenced boundary with the world-renowned Kruger National Park means a spectacular diversity of wildlife moves through this immense wilderness, including the Big Five and spotted hyena. African wild dog can also be spotted moving through the reserve. Twice-daily game drives allow for ample time to search for these iconic creatures in their natural habitat.



2

GUIDED NATURE WALK

Walking in nature is the most intimate and immersive way to encounter and learn about the bush. On this walk, you'll traverse the reserve's untamed landscape, up close and personal with its finer details – from medicinal plants and animal tracks to tiny insects. This is an incredible opportunity to experience the smaller things often missed when in a vehicle.



3

CONSERVATION TALK

Meet with our ecological monitor to learn all about our conservation efforts taking place in and around the lodge, as well as within the greater Kruger National Park. You'll gain a new perspective on the importance of protecting the region and its wildlife.



4

WILD IMPACT COMMUNITY VISIT

An immersive, privately guided excursion in partnership with Wild Impact*, visit the neighbouring partner communities of Welverdiend or Hlavekisa gaining insight into the everyday lives of community members. Witness firsthand the community-led projects that focus on education, healthcare, enterprise development and conservation.

**Formerly Africa Foundation*



5

SHANGAAN VILLAGE VISIT*

Hosted by a local Shangaan guide, spend time at a nearby community, sharing interesting insights and narratives about Shangaan culture, including its fascinating customs, beliefs and traditions. During your visit, you'll be invited into a traditional homestead to witness the daily routine of an authentic Shangaan family, where aeons of tradition intersect with modern life.

**At an additional cost*

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Specialist safaris and experiences

When booking a private vehicle and specialist guide, our safari experiences can be tailor-made to suit a wide range of interests.



1

BIG GAME VIEWING WALK

Experience the thrill of seeing animals on foot, engaging all your senses to discover a world where each sound, scent and bent blade of grass has a meaning. Led by a qualified guide and tracker team, track and view certain animals from a respectable distance.



2

PRIVATE SPECIALIST SAFARIS

We can curate a selection of private safari experiences tailored to your interests and needs, from family (Ngala Safari Lodge only) and birding to photography and walking. You let us know what you're interested in, and we'll try our best to make it happen.



3

NGALA TREEHOUSE

Peek out over the reserve's treeline from the upper reaches of Ngala Treehouse. With awe-inspiring sunrise and sunset views, the luxurious Ngala Treehouse provides the most exclusive wilderness experience. A romantic overnight retreat, feel at one with nature as you sleep on an elevated and safe platform, under a blanket of stars, in unsurpassed comfort.



4

RHINO CONSERVATION EXPERIENCE*

Seize the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to participate in the safe darting and capture of a white rhino, while the veterinary team notches the sleeping animal's ear for research and security monitoring. Or assist with the painless removal of both rhino horns in order to ensure their survival and protection against poachers.

*Seasonal



5

WEDDING

From a classic safari wedding in the open bush or a sunset ceremony overlooking a spectacular view to walking down the aisle in a dry riverbed; our meticulous wedding planners can put together a wedding filled with breathtaking moments and joyful surprises that will pamper and delight any couple.



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SCENIC HELICOPTER FLIGHT

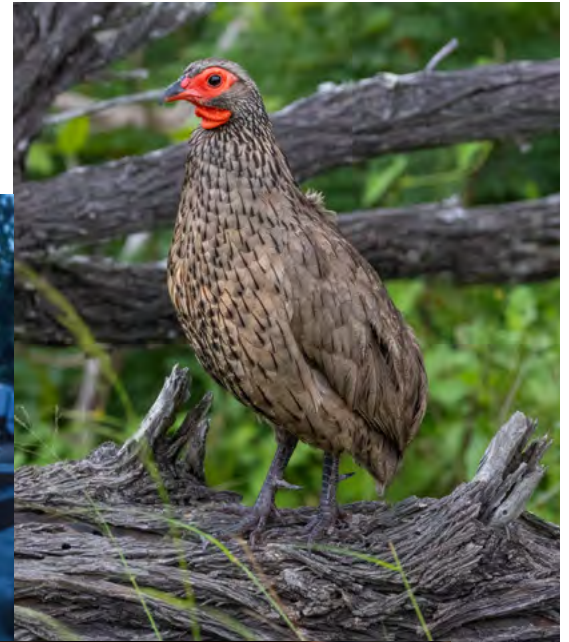
Soar over tropical banana plantations, deep gorges, and lush valleys bursting with colour. Linger above one of the many cascading waterfalls before heading off to God's Window, Blyde River Canyon, and the Three Rondavels.

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Year-round activities

- ✓ Safari game drive
- ✓ Birding
- ✓ Guided nature walk
- ✓ Conservation talk
- ✓ Big Game viewing walk*
- ✓ Private specialist safaris*
- ✓ Wild Impact community visit
- ✓ Shangaan village visit*
- ✓ Boma or bush dining (lodge specific)
- ✓ Sundowners
- ✓ Scenic helicopter flight*
- ✓ Ngala Treehouse*
- ✓ Healing Earth wellness treatment*
- ✓ &Beyond Safari Shop*
- ✓ Wedding*

**At an additional cost
Some experiences are weather dependent*



The staff were incredible. They made us feel like family from the moment we arrived. We were already planning our return trip before we even left! ”

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Timing is everything

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
The ideal time for a tracking or walking safari is during winter when it's cooler in the middle of the day					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Summer is the best time for a photographic safari as landscapes are greener and watering holes fuller	✓	✓	✓						✓	✓	✓	✓
Although offered year-round, night drives are ideal during the winter months when the grass is shorter				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
The ideal time to view baby animals in the bush is during summer, usually at the start of the rainy season	✓	✓									✓	✓
Best game viewing, as animals gather around waterholes and are easier to spot in the thinned-out bush					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Year-round birding, but if you want to see lots of birds then summer is best when the migrant birds return	✓	✓	✓							✓	✓	✓





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Lodge overview

Ngala is home to two beautiful lodges; an intimate tented camp and larger family-friendly lodge, plus an exclusive treehouse experience ideal for a romantic overnight retreat.



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Accommodation Overview

Our lodges in Ngala Private Game Reserve

Ngala was the first private game reserve to be incorporated into the Kruger National Park and has exclusive traversing rights over 14 700 hectares (36 324 acres) of game-rich wilderness.

BEYOND NGALA SAFARI LODGE

This safari-favourite boasts 20 Classic Cottages, including three Family Cottages with interleading doors, plus one spacious Family Villa. Each of the cottages exudes a romantic ambience with nostalgic safari memorabilia throughout. Enjoy floor-to-ceiling glass windows and a private veranda – perfect for intimate dinners. Family Cottages can accommodate two adults and two children, while the gracious Family Villa accommodates up to six guests and includes access to a private swimming pool and the use of a private vehicle. Additional guest areas include a swimming pool and sundeck, a massage sala and a well-equipped fitness room as well as an outdoor boma.

BEYOND NGALA TENTED CAMP

Chic and contemporary, Ngala Tented Camp comprises just nine intimate tents, making it a perfect exclusive-use option for a small family group or friends. The Tented Suites are set on raised platforms and are cleverly designed to blend into the riverside trees. Each Tented Suite has an ensuite bathroom, al fresco bathtubs and showers and private wooden decks. Elegant guest areas overlook the seasonal Timbavati River, while additional spaces include a rim-flow camp swimming pool, wellness spa and gym and spacious viewing decks. Private dinners can be served on the Tented Suites' starlit verandas. If weather permits; lunches and dinners can also be served in the garden or by the pool area.



ENSUITE BATHROOM AT NGALA SAFARI LODGE



DECK VIEWS AT BEYOND NGALA TENTED CAMP



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Ngala Treehouse experience

The ultimate sleep-under-the-stars experience, the Ngala Treehouse is a remote, overnight retreat offering you a luxurious private sanctuary amidst the African bush.



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&Beyond Ngala Treehouse Experience

What we love about it

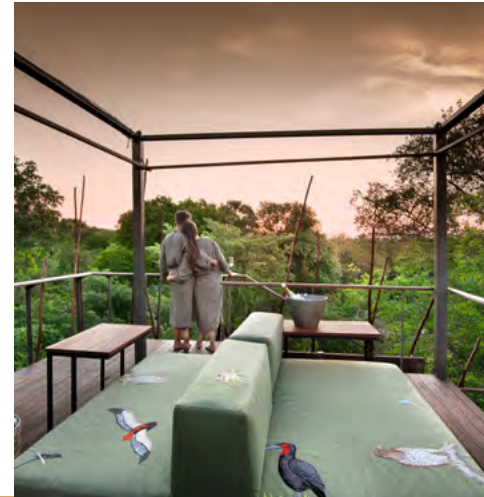
1 A TREEHOUSE JUST FOR YOU
This 4-level treehouse features two sleeping areas cocooned in the natural bush; level 3, an indoor covered and weatherproofed room with a king-size bed, and level 4, a sleep-out platform under a retractable awning. Toast the sunset and enjoy a starlit picnic before tucking into a delicious dinner. Assured of an intimate wilderness experience, completely off-the-grid, themed in luxury and exclusivity; this is one experience you'll never forget.

2 A WILDERNESS EXPERIENCE
Surrounded by home comforts, a fully-stocked bar and a selection of midnight and breakfast snacks; you could be forgiven for thinking you were in a lodge. However, your night at Ngala Treehouse is essentially an overnight wilderness experience that complements your stay either at &Beyond Ngala Tented Camp or Ngala Safari Lodge.

3 LOCATION IS KEY
Set within the Ngala Private Game Reserve, 5 km (3 mi) from &Beyond Ngala Tented Camp: the reserve shares unfenced borders with the Kruger National Park, home to the Big Five and more species of large mammals than any other African game reserve. Ngala (meaning 'lion') lives up to its namesake, with the reserve supporting several large prides.

4 PRIVATE CONCESSION BONUS
Ngala Private Game Reserve has exclusive traversing rights on 14 700 hectares (36 324 acres) of private wilderness land. As a guest of &Beyond Ngala Tented Camp or Ngala Safari Lodge, you will enjoy the exclusivity and flexibility of morning and afternoon drives within this concession area, and the option of interpretive bush walks.

5 BEYOND THE EXPECTED
In the true &Beyond tradition of going beyond the expected – think cappuccinos and cocktails on game drives, or your very own pair of complimentary-use SWAROVSKI OPTIK binoculars during your stay with us – the Ngala Treehouse experience, with its feather-light imprint, is a complete reimagining of a sleep-under-the-stars adventure... and it's yours for the taking.





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Lodge comparison

A quick reference comparing Ngala Safari Lodge and Ngala Tented Camp – each with their own unique personality.

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OVERVIEW

NGALA SAFARI LODGE

NGALA TENTED CAMP

Lodge experience	Large lodge, family-orientated with a classic old-world safari charm	Small, intimate, romantic tents with beautiful riverbed views No small children permitted
Maximum number of guests	47	18
Number of rooms	21	9
Family accommodation	1 Classic Cottage triple room, 3 Family Cottages with interleading doors, and 1 Family Villa with a private pool and use of a private safari vehicle	No
WILDchild programme	Yes	No
Room types	Cottages	Tented Suites
Distance between rooms	20 m (66 ft)	18 m (60 ft)

FACILITIES

Power	220v AC	220v AC
Internet access	Yes, Wi-Fi in rooms and guest area	Yes, Wi-Fi in tents and guest area
Wine store or cellar	Wine cellar	Wine store
Boma	Yes	No
Interactive kitchen	No	No
Lodge swimming pool	Yes	Yes
Private pools	For Family Villa guests only	No
Wellness offering	Healing Earth treatments offered in the massage sala	Healing Earth treatments offered in the wellness spa
Fitness centre	Well-equipped gym	Well-equipped gym
Conference facilities	No	No
Weddings and blessings	Yes	Yes
Wheelchair accessibility	Yes, with assistance	No
Complimentary laundry service	Yes	Yes
BEYOND Safari Shop	Yes	Yes

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Accommodation comparison

	NGALA SAFARI LODGE	NGALA TENTED CAMP
Room size	From 48 m ² (517 ft ²)	100 m ² (1 076 ft ²)
Room configuration	20 Classic Cottages (max. 2 guests), including 1 triple Cottage (max. 3 guests) 3 Family Cottages with interleading doors (max. 4 guests) 1 Family Villa (max. 6 guests)	9 Tented Suites (max. 2 guests)
Private veranda	Yes, some rooms may overlook walkways	Yes
Private plunge pool	Family Villa only	No
Personal bar	Yes	Yes
Personal coffee station	Yes	Yes
Air conditioning / Heating	Yes	Yes
Overhead fans	Yes	Yes
Mosquito nets	No, sealed room	No, sealed room
Bath	Yes	Yes, outdoor only
Shower	Yes, indoor and outdoor showers	Yes, indoor and outdoor
Separate WC	Yes	Yes
Telephone	Yes	Yes
Hairdryer	Yes	Yes
Internet access	Yes	Yes
In-room safe	Yes	Yes
Plug type	220V AC Plug Type C, D, M, N Adapters available	220V AC Plug Type C, D, M, N Adapters available
Triple bed option	1 triple room only	No
Twin bed option	Yes	Yes
Double bed option	Yes	Yes
Wheelchair accessibility	Yes, with assistance	No

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Sustainability initiatives

In partnership with Wild Impact*, our long-standing community and conservation development partner.



CARE OF Land

- 53 362 Plastic water bottles eliminated per year by ♻️Beyond Mpumalanga** lodges as a result of on-site bottling plants
- 100% of our ♻️Beyond Mpumalanga lodges have advanced wastewater treatment plants
- 5.4 Kg CO₂ per head reduction annually in our Mpumalanga region since 2018
- 98% Achieved by ♻️Beyond Ngala Private Game Reserve in an environmental audit conducted by the specialist Rhengu Environmental Services
- 18% improvement in ♻️Beyond Mpumalanga sustainability audit scores since 2016, highlighting a progressive reduction of our direct carbon footprint through a system of ♻️Beyond Group goals



CARE OF Wildlife

- 64 Learners and teachers received conservation lessons in 2019, with the aim not only to educate, but also develop an understanding of the interdependence of conservation and community empowerment
- 25 200 Hectares of rich biodiversity significantly influenced by ♻️Beyond Ngala Private Game Reserve (14 700 Ha) and Sabi Sand Nature Reserve (10 500 Ha)
- 414 000 ZAR contributed in annual park fees, July 2019 – March 2020



CARE OF People

- 29 Years of compounded positive impact across 23 local communities
- 50 Million ZAR annual disbursements to Mpumalanga communities, 2018 – 2020
- 55 % Local community staff to total employees at our ♻️Beyond Mpumalanga lodges
- 272 CLEF tertiary education bursaries granted to 206 young Mpumalanga leaders through this legacy-building Wild Impact* programme
- 28 Million ZAR local-procurement spend by ♻️Beyond Mpumalanga, 2018 – 2020
- 17 Million ZAR social infrastructure investment in collaborative, community-led projects
- 3.2 Million ZAR donor funding for Bilton High School, Thlvekisa, close to ♻️Beyond Ngala Private Game Reserve, in a community project spanning 7 years



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