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ABOUT MORE COLLECTION

MORE Collection owns and manages a collection of luxury safari lodges, boutique hotels, and exclusive-use residences in South Africa offering seamless itineraries between our properties. Led by custodian and CEO Robert More, ours is a fourth-generation family business – our origin dates to 1933 when our great grandfather Guy Aubrey Chalkley purchased the land that Lion Sands Game Reserve was later established on. We now have four luxury lodges at Lion Sands.

Our footprint spans four iconic safari destinations - Sabi Sand, Kruger, Thornybush and Marakele - alongside a boutique hotel set in the shadow of one of the world's Natural Wonders, Table Mountain. Our portfolio includes Lion Sands Game Reserve in Mpumalanga, Marataba Game Lodges and Monwana Game Lodge in Limpopo, and Cape Cadogan Boutique Hotel in the Western Cape. Across every property, we are committed to environmental stewardship, community upliftment and sustainable practices, guided by our purpose of creating life-enriching experiences for every guest.

ABOUT MONWANA

Thornybush Nature Reserve is part of the Greater Kruger National Park, one of Africa's oldest and richest protected wilderness areas. It is home to the Big Five (lion, leopard, elephant, rhino and buffalo), and countless other creatures in their natural habitats. The reserve is renowned for sightings of Africa's most elusive cat - the leopard.

Being part of a private 14 000-hectare reserve means guests enjoy personal, uncrowded sightings. The wildlife here is extraordinary, thanks to the rivers, landscapes and vegetation, and the unfenced border with the Greater Kruger National Park.

Morning and afternoon game drives and guided bush walks bring guests closer to this natural world. Our field guides and trackers share their knowledge, and we create a few surprises along the way.

ABOUT THE LODGE

Monwana Game Lodge embodies the spirit of *coming home*, home to the body, mind and soul in this incredible natural world that allows for breathing space and reconnection. Monwana is a luxurious lodge, which promises an utterly customised private safari experience in Africa.

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OUR SUITES

We have six Suites - four that accommodate two adults, and two Family Suites with a second en-suite bedroom for up to two adults and three children. All Suites have their own private shaded deck with views over the bush, a plunge pool and outdoor shower. There's air-conditioning and ceiling fans for summer heat, with underfloor heating and heated towel rails for chilly winter evenings. Quality linen, towels, gowns and amenities create a comfortable home.

ABOUT THE RESIDENCE

Monwana Residence is a large exclusive-use living space with sweeping views over the bushveld. It has two en-suite bedrooms for four adults and two children, a fully equipped kitchen, lounge and dining area. The wide deck, braai area and fire deck are perfect for relaxing after a day in nature. There's a dedicated team including a private chef and residence butler, plus a private game viewing vehicle and dedicated field guide team. Additional guests can be accommodated in one of the luxury suites.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Thornybush Nature Reserve shares an unfenced border with the Greater Kruger National Park with an abundance of non-migratory species, including the Big 5, that guarantees an exceptional safari experiences all year round
- There is an active waterhole and a dry riverbed in front of the lodge that sees the passage of a diversity of wildlife
- An intimate lodge environment that caters for a maximum of 24 guests
- Experienced field guides and knowledgeable trackers
- Only six people per safari vehicle
- A private open safari vehicle is allocated to Monwana Residence guests, and to families travelling with children staying in a Family Suite
- Exceptional dining in beautiful locations – no two dining experiences are ever the same
- Our food philosophy centres on fresh, healthy, sustainably and ethically sourced produce
- All dietary needs are accommodated - vegan, vegetarian, reductarian, halal etc - and kosher can be arranged with advance notice (at an additional cost))
- Wine tasting experiences in our amply stocked wine cellar
- A spa with a range of therapeutic treatments, and a fitness centre that offers weightlifting, cardio, and yoga
- Daily scheduled flights from Johannesburg and Cape Town to Hoedspruit Airport
- Federal Air daily shuttle flights from major game reserves
- For Federal Air shuttle flights and private charters, the closest airstrip to Monwana is the Thornybush Airstrip
- Easily accessible by road from Johannesburg and Nelspruit/Mbombela
- Seamless itineraries can be arranged between the MORE Collection properties

LOCATION

Monwana Lodge is located on Guernsey Road in Thornybush Nature Reserve, a private 14,000-hectare reserve that shares an unfenced border with the Greater Kruger National Park in the Limpopo Province of South Africa.

GPS co-ordinates: 24°24'50"S | 31°09'30"E

WEATHER

The average maximum temperatures range from 24°C/75°F in July to 33°C/90°F in January, with the lowest average minimum occurring in July at 8°C/46°F. The average annual rainfall is 350mm (14in), most of which occurs during midsummer (December – February). Rain is usually in the form of thundershowers, where a downpour is experienced, very seldom lasting longer than a few hours.

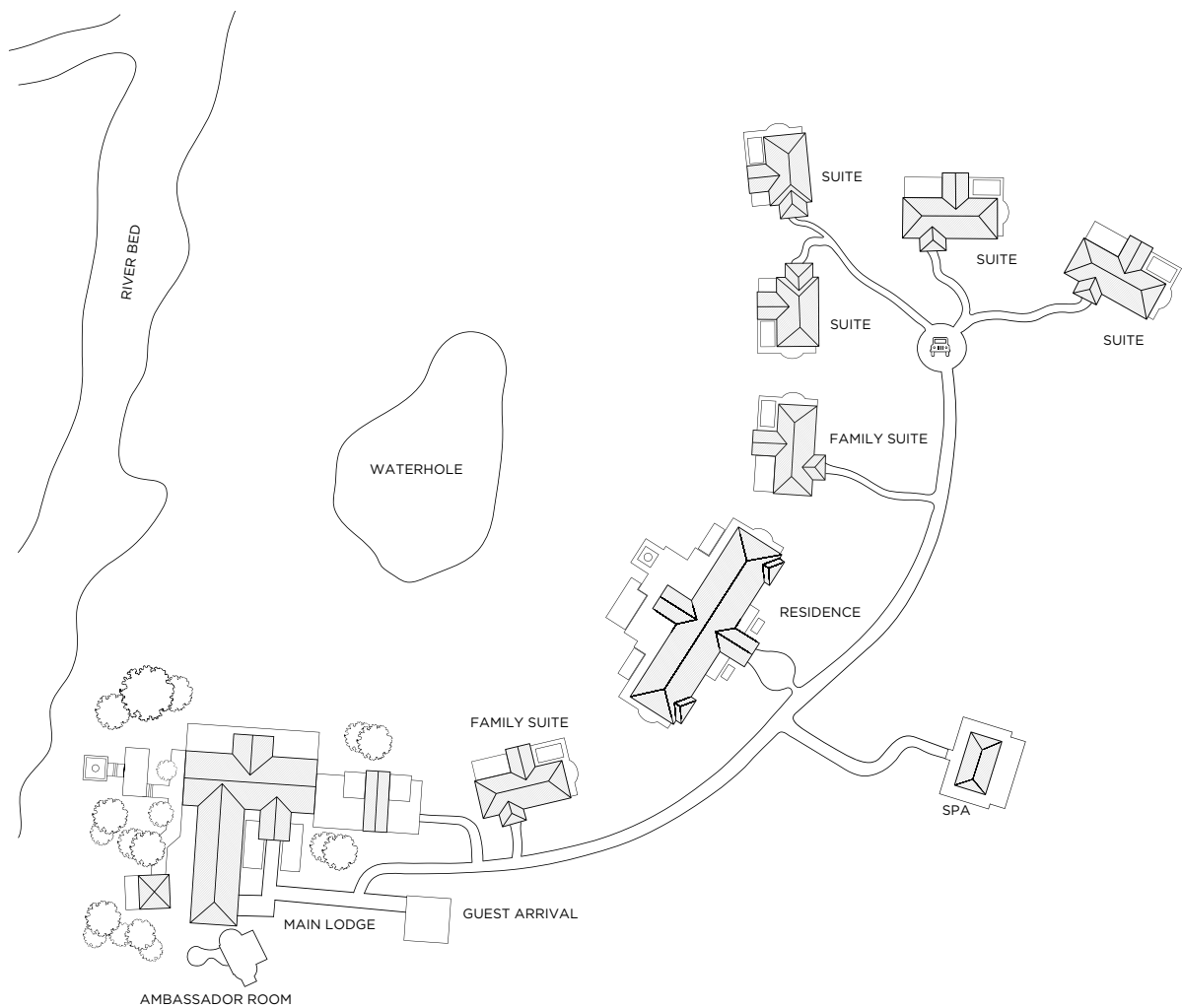
BEST TIME TO TRAVEL

A year-round safari destination. The animals in Thornybush Nature Reserve are non-migratory, and variation in the safari experience is season- rather than location-related. The best period for birdwatching is from October to April.

HEALTH INFO: MALARIA

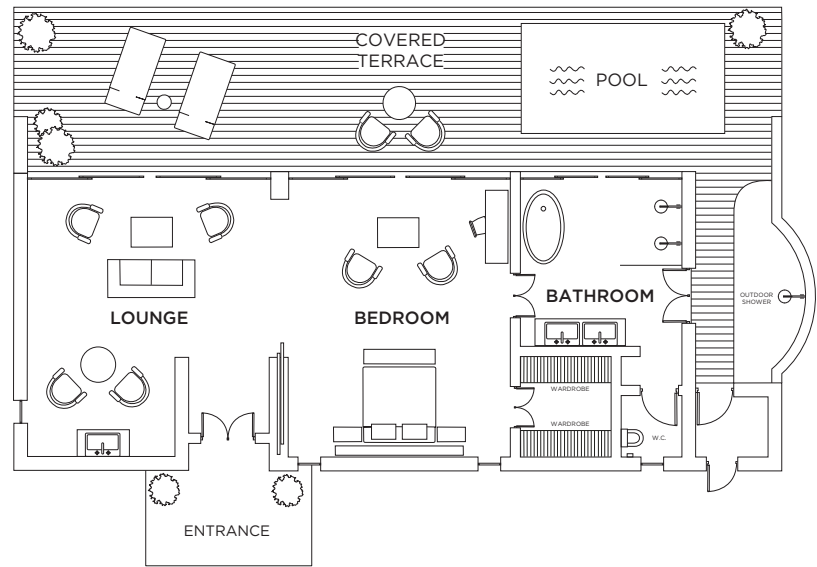
Thornybush Nature Reserve is in a low-risk malaria area. We recommend consulting with your doctor regarding antimalarial prophylactics before visiting.

MONWANA LODGE LAYOUT



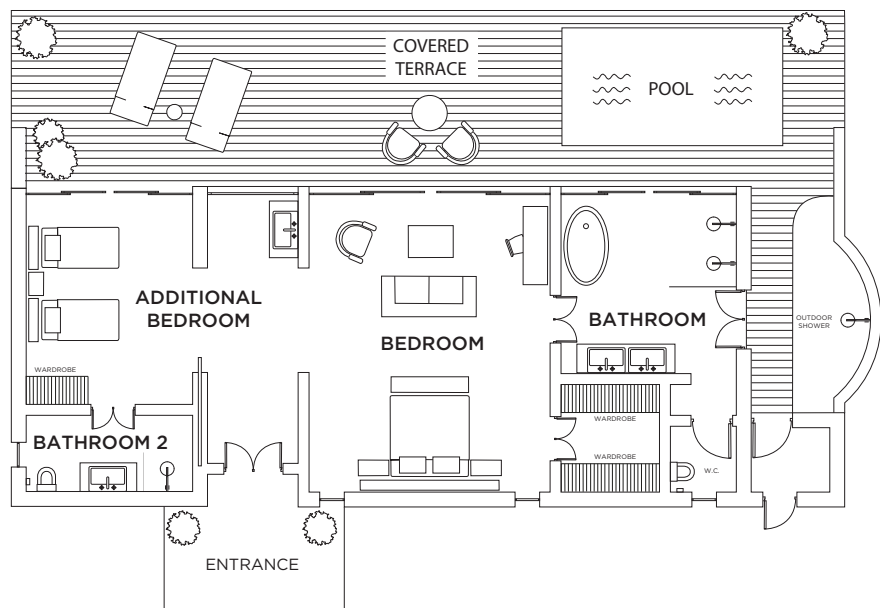
SUITE LAYOUT

Internal suite area – 1 055ft² | 98m²
Covered terrace – 215ft² | 20m²
Open deck area – 375ft² | 35m²
Total – 1 647ft² | 153m²



**FAMILY SUITE
TWO-BEDROOM LAYOUT**

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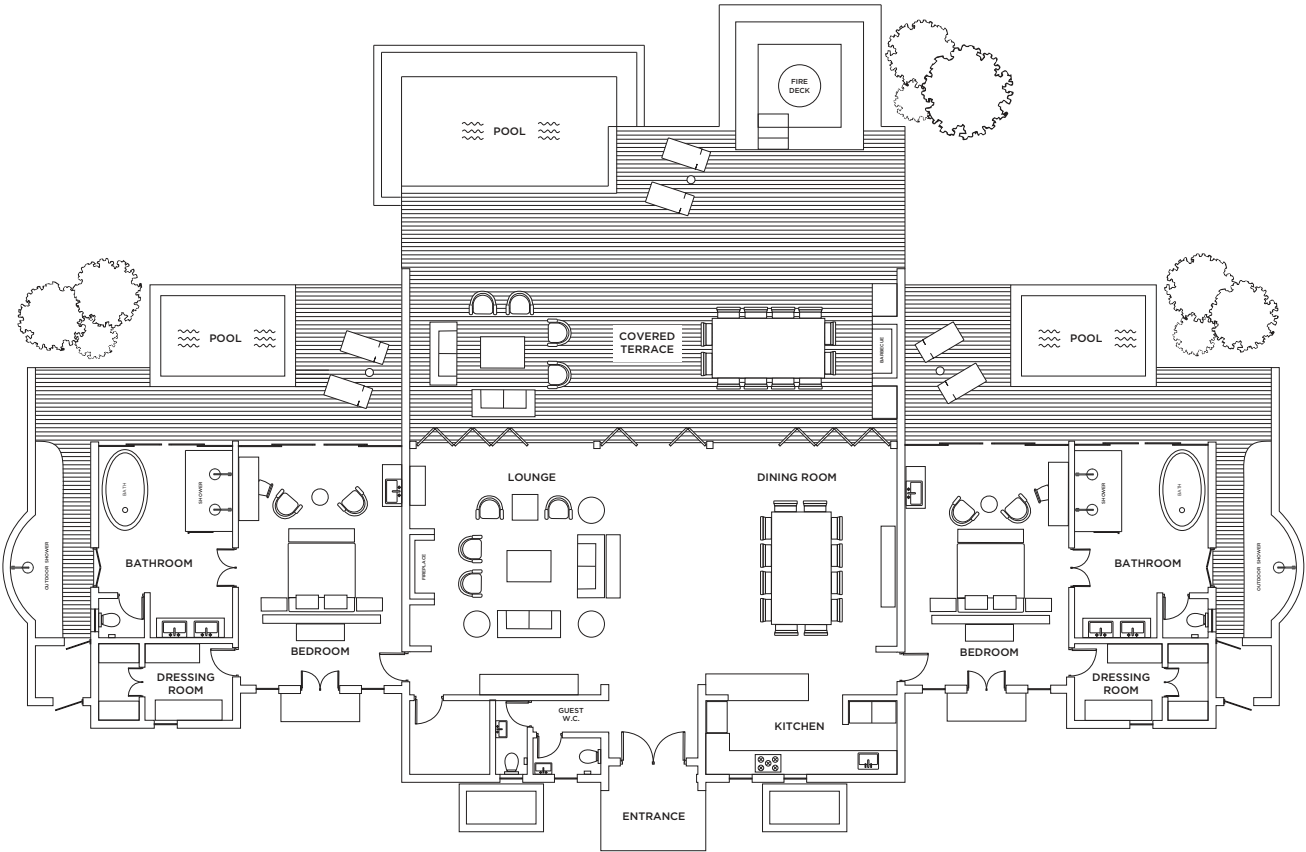
MONWANA RESIDENCE LAYOUT

Internal area – 3 337ft² | 310m²

Covered terrace – 861ft² | 80m²

Open deck area – 1 399ft² | 130m²

Total – 5 597ft² | 520m²



REFERENCE TABLE – MONWANA GAME LODGE AND MONWANA RESIDENCE

REFERENCE	MONWANA GAME LODGE AND MONWANA RESIDENCE
Suites	4 Suites 2 Family Suites 1 Monwana Residence
Size of suites	Suites: 1 055 ft ² /98 m ² Family Suites: 1 055ft ² /98m ² Residence: 3 337 ft ² /310 m ²
Guests	24
Children	Yes: >10 years Family Suites (max 2 adults and 2 children) Monwana Residence (4 adults and 2 children)
Children on safari	Twice-daily game drives (>10 years) Monwana Residence: Children of all ages welcome on game drives in a private safari vehicle In line with reserve protocols, no person below the age of 16 may participate on guided bush walks
Children activities	Yes - Mosaba Rangers
Childminding	Yes (additional cost)
Single traveller supplement	Waivered (subject to availability)
Central guest pool	Yes (12m lap pool)
Private plunge pool	Yes (temperature controlled)
Air conditioning	Yes
Room fans	Yes
Mosquito nets	Yes
Outdoor shower	Yes
Underfloor Heating	Yes
Indoor showers	Yes
Separate WC	Yes
Free Wi-Fi	Yes (all areas)
Satellite television	No
In-room telephone	Yes (direct dial)
Mobile coverage	Fair
In-room safe	Yes
Personal bar	Yes
Hairdryer	Yes
Laundry service	Yes (included)
Conference facilities	No
Spa	Yes
Fitness Centre	Yes
Suitable for disabled guests	No
Distance between rooms	20–25m/60–75ft
Closest hospital	Hoedspruit Private Hospital (1 hour away)
Closest airport	Hoedspruit Eastgate Airport (HDS) (45 minutes away)
Helipad	Yes
Chartered Flights	Can be arranged
Guests per open safari vehicle	6
Private open safari vehicle	Monwana Residence (included) Suites (additional cost, subject to availability) Family Suites (included)
Languages of field rangers	English, Afrikaans, Shangaan, Zulu
Kosher dining	Booked with prior notice and at an additional cost
Power	220V AC
Credit cards	Mastercard, Visa, Amex
Cheques	Not accepted