

Self-drive DIRECTIONS

Your Journey Begins Here!

We can't wait to welcome you to Arathusa Safari Lodge, where an unforgettable safari experience awaits. To ensure a smooth and hassle-free journey, please follow the directions in this document carefully.

Important Travel Notes

Do not follow GPS 'quickest route' instructions.

Your GPS may direct you through incorrect entry points, such as the Kruger National Park gates, which do not provide access to Arathusa. This could lead to unnecessary delays of up to three hours or leave you stranded in the bush.

Use Gowrie Gate **ONLY** for entry.

This is the only permitted access route to Arathusa Safari Lodge.

Due to river crossings, alternative gates within Sabi Sand Wildtuin **cannot be used**.

Entrance Fees (Payable in Cash or Card)

2025 RATES:

- **R350 per vehicle**
- **R160 per person**

2026 RATES:

- **R370 per vehicle**
- **R170 per person**

Timing Your Arrival

- Check-in: **From 12:00 PM**
- Recommended arrival: **Before 3:30 PM** (to make the afternoon game drive)
- Estimated driving time from Johannesburg: **±7 hours**

Road Conditions

- The final stretch includes dirt roads—please drive carefully.
- Expect **inconsistent road conditions** after the Acornhoek turnoff.
- **Follow all signposts carefully** to ensure you reach the lodge smoothly.

For any travel assistance, feel free to contact us:

 **+27 13 735 5363**

Safe travels, and we look so forward to meeting you!



IMPORTANT NOTICE!

Road conditions **deteriorate** once approaching the **Akornhoek turnoff** and will be inconsistent until you arrive at the lodge.
Please **do not drive at excessive speeds**—exercise caution, be patient, and take your time.

To / From
Hoedspruit / Lydenburg
R40

Orpen Road
R531

Acornhoek Road

7km

Canhuk Dr
Cottondale

36km

Hluvukani

Hluvukani
Health Care Centre
KEEP RIGHT

6.4km

TURN LEFT
AT T-JUNCTION

7.3km

Gowrie Gate

5.9km

continue straight to
**ARATHUSA
SAFARI LODGE**

VIEW FROM BUSHBUCKBRIDGE SIDE



Take a right turn at this intersection
onto a dirt road
DO NOT GO STRAIGHT



Gowrie Gate:
(do not turn right to Arathusa Private)



Laduma Hardware



To / From
Bushbuckridge | Hayzyview
White River | Nelspruit
R40



FROM JOHANNESBURG / HOEDSPRUIT

DISTANCES

- Johannesburg is approximately 550 km / 7 hours by road from Arathusa Safari Lodge
- Nelspruit is approximately 170 km / 3 hours by road from Arathusa Safari Lodge
- Hoedspruit is approximately 2 hours by road from Arathusa Safari Lodge

DIRECTIONS FROM JOHANNESBURG

- From Johannesburg, take the N12 to Emalahleni (Witbank). At Emalahleni (Witbank), take the N4 to Nelspruit
- You will go through 2 national toll gates on this road – Please insure to carry enough money for all toll gates
- Take the R40 from Nelspruit to White River and proceed to Hazyview
- Remain on the R40 towards Bushbuckridge (from Hazyview it is approximately 68 km/ 1 hour until Acornhoek / Manyaleti turnoff)
- Turn right at the traffic light to Acornhoek / Manyaleti onto Canhuk Dr

CONTACT US

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DIRECTIONS FROM HOEDSPRUIT

- From Hoedspruit take the R40 towards Klaserie
- Follow the R40 until you get to a T-junction
- At the T-junction, turn left
- Travel on this road for 7km to the Acornhoek / Manyeleti road turn left at the traffic light onto Canhuk Dr

*** FROM HERE THE DIRECTIONS ARE THE SAME**

- Continue straight for 36km
- Turn right onto dirt road
- Follow dirt road for 6.4 km until the Uthar Clinic is on your left
- Turn left on gravel road (Utha Store will be on the right) – 7.3 km to the Gowrie Gate
- Entrance fee to the Sabi Sands Game Reserve is payable in cash or card
- Travel straight through the Gowrie Gate. At signboards continue straight to Arathusa Safari (do not turn right to Arathusa Private) – 5.9 km
- Turn right at the stone wall for Arathusa Safari Lodge and follow the sign boards around the Runway, pass the Delivery sign board and take the Lodge turnoff on the right until the entrance to the lodge on the right

FROM ORPEN GATE

DISTANCES

- Orpen Gate is approximately 46 km / 1.5 hours by road from Arathusa Safari Lodge

DIRECTIONS

Due to the ongoing road works on this route, please enquire with the lodge for directions