



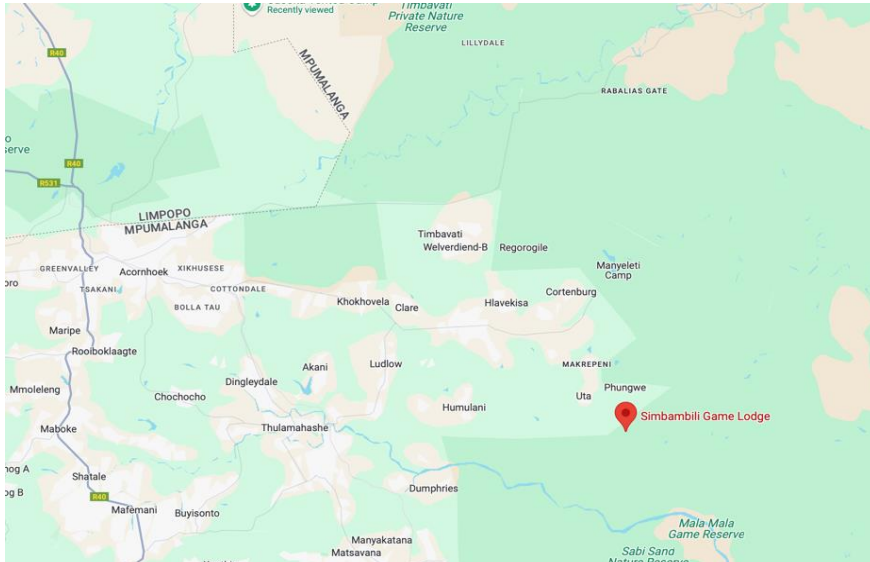
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Directions to Simbambili Game Lodge

SABI SAND GAME RESERVE



LODGE DETAILS

Simbambili Game Lodge is located in the northern part of the world-famous Sabi Sand Game Reserve in the Greater Kruger Park, an area renowned for its game viewing and prolific leopard sightings.

Set amongst the old Knobthorns and Jackalberries, Simbambili offers sophisticated safari accommodation that echoes its unspoilt landscape. The main lodge area overlooks a waterhole so you'd be hard pressed to leave when you can watch a herd of elephants come down to drink or warthogs playing in the mud. One of the secrets to Simbambili's success is that managers and gracious hosts Mike and Tania Cowden have been here for more than 10 years. They manage a team who are loved for their warm, friendly approach and personal attention to detail.

Address:

Simbambili Game Lodge, northern Sabi Sand Nature Reserve, Gowrie Gate, Greater Kruger

Lodge contact number: 013 735 5839

Emergency number: 084 407 1644

GPS coordinates

24°43'38.1"s 31°28'35.5"E

Key instructions

PLEASE NOTE: Please do not follow your GPS 'quickest route' coordinates to Simbambili. This route inevitably leads guests through the incorrect entry gates (Kruger National Park and into the Sabi Sand Reserve), which do not service Simbambili. Furthermore, many of the prescribed roads are not navigable in a normal vehicle. Following GPS co-ordinates can result in getting lost in the middle of the bush, or unnecessary delays of up to 3 hours.

Use Gowrie Gate only when using a GPS. Due to the river crossing, you will not be permitted to use any of the other gates in Sabi Sand Nature Reserve.

It is best to arrive before 15h30 for the afternoon game drive, although check-in time is from 14h00.

It takes approximately 7 hours to drive from Johannesburg to the lodge.

Please remember that the routes change constantly due to either eroded roads or ongoing road works that are ongoing. We recommend guests book transfers, rather than self-drive arrivals/departures.

Please note the Gowrie Gate is only open between 5:00 am (05h00) and 10:00 pm (22h00).

- Please ensure you only use the Gowrie Gate for access.
- Here you will be required to pay an entrance fee of R350.00 and R160 per person for each
- Entrance fee to the Sabi Sands Game Reserve is payable in cash or by credit card
- You cannot enter the reserve via any other Sabi Sand gates to reach Simbambili Game Lodge.



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Distances

- Johannesburg is approximately 550 km / 7 hours by road from Simbambili Game Lodge
- Nelspruit is approximately 170 km / 3 hours by road from Simbambili Game Lodge
- Hoedspruit is approximately 100km/ 2 hours by road from Simbambili Game Lodge

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 ensure 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 Orpen road, **R531**)
- Continue straight for **30km**, once you are at the South African Wildlife College (on your left), turn right onto a tar road. follow this road onto a dirt road for 3km, turn left (turn is **50m** passed a soccer field on your right)
- Drive down a narrow road for **400m**, turn right onto a tar road where road works are visible, continue for another **7.8km**
- At the T-junction, you will see the Hluvukani Viva petrol station in front of you.
- Turn left onto the tar road to Gottenberg / Manyeleti (**Bad quality tar road – lots of potholes.**)
- Follow the tar road for **6.1 km**. turn right onto the dirt road
- Follow the dirt road for **6.4 km** to the T junction
- Turn left on gravel road (the Utha clinic is on your left and the Utha store will be on the right) and continue for **7.3 km** to the Gowrie gate.
- Entrance fee to the Sabi Sands Game Reserve is payable in cash or by credit card
- Once through the Gowrie gate, turn right and follow the fence line for **6 km** at the **Simbambili signboard**, turn left and follow the road to the lodge.
- Here you will be required to pay an entrance fee of **R350.00** and **R160** per person for each

Alternative route from Johannesburg

- Take the **N1 north** to Pretoria and follow the signs to Polokwane
- From Polokwane, take the **R71** to Tzaneen, and then onto Gravelotte
- At the T-junction, turn right and follow the **R40** to Hoedspruit
- Once in Hoedspruit, continue straight on the **R40** south towards Bushbuckridge
- Continue on the **R40**, then turn left at the T-junction.
- Drive about **2 km** and turn left onto the Orpen road (**R531**).
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From Hoedspruit [From the North on the R40 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 **2km** to the Orpen road, **R531**, turn left
- Continue straight for **30km**, once you are at the South African Wildlife College (on your left), turn right onto a tar road. follow this road onto a dirt road for 3km, turn left (turn is **50m** passed a soccer field on your right)
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From Nelspruit | White River | Hazyview

- from Nelspruit, take the R40 and drive towards White River & Hazyview,
- Pass through the town of Hazyview and stay on the R40 towards Hoedspruit.
- You will travel through Bushbuckridge and pass Acornhoek.
- Drive past the Acornhoek turnoff. drive for about 12 km past the Acornhoek turnoff, then turn right onto the Orpen road (R531).
- Continue straight for 30km, once you are at the South African Wildlife College (on your left), turn right onto a tar road. follow this road onto a dirt road for 3km, turn left (turn is 50m passed a soccer field on your right)
- Drive down a narrow road for 400m, turn right onto a tar road where road works are visible, continue for another 7.8km
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From Swaziland

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From Orpen Gate Distance

- Orpen Gate is approximately 46 km / 1.5 hours by road from Simbambili
- Travel from Orpen Gate on the R531 towards the R40
- About 10 km on the tar road, before the South African Wildlife College, you will see a tar road to your left
- Turn left (helpful hint – if you pass the South African Wildlife College, you have gone too far)
- Follow this road for 3km, turn left (turn is 50m passed a soccer eld on your right)
- Drive down a narrow road for 400m, turn right onto a tar road where road works are visible, continue for another 7.8km
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