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YOUR GUIDE TO LEOPARD MOUNTAIN

The Big Five and more.

Leopard Mountain Safari Lodge

Everything you need to plan a safari that's full from start to finish, on a mountaintop in the heart of Manyoni Private Game Reserve.

MANYONI PRIVATE GAME RESERVE · ZULULAND · KWAZULU-NATAL



SUNSET FROM A SUITE DECK

01 · WELCOME

A safari full from first light

The giraffe that wouldn't move off the road. Impala rams clashing at dawn. A chameleon, perfectly still, on a branch beside the vehicle.

Thank you for considering Leopard Mountain. A great safari is about rhythm: constant life, constant movement, and something always waiting around the next bend. This guide shows you what a stay with us looks like, what you're likely to see, and how to make the most of your time in KwaZulu-Natal.



FLAP-NECKED CHAMELEON · MANYONI



02 · WHY MANYONI

A reserve built like a mosaic

Open grassland, thick bushveld, riverine valleys and mountain slopes sit side by side within one private reserve. Each habitat holds different animals, so a single safari moves through several worlds without long, empty stretches between sightings.

GRASSLAND

Open plains

Zebra, wildebeest and impala, with cheetah never far behind.

BUSHVELD

Acacia & thicket

Giraffe, kudu and nyala browse; elephant and rhino move through.

RIVERINE

River valleys

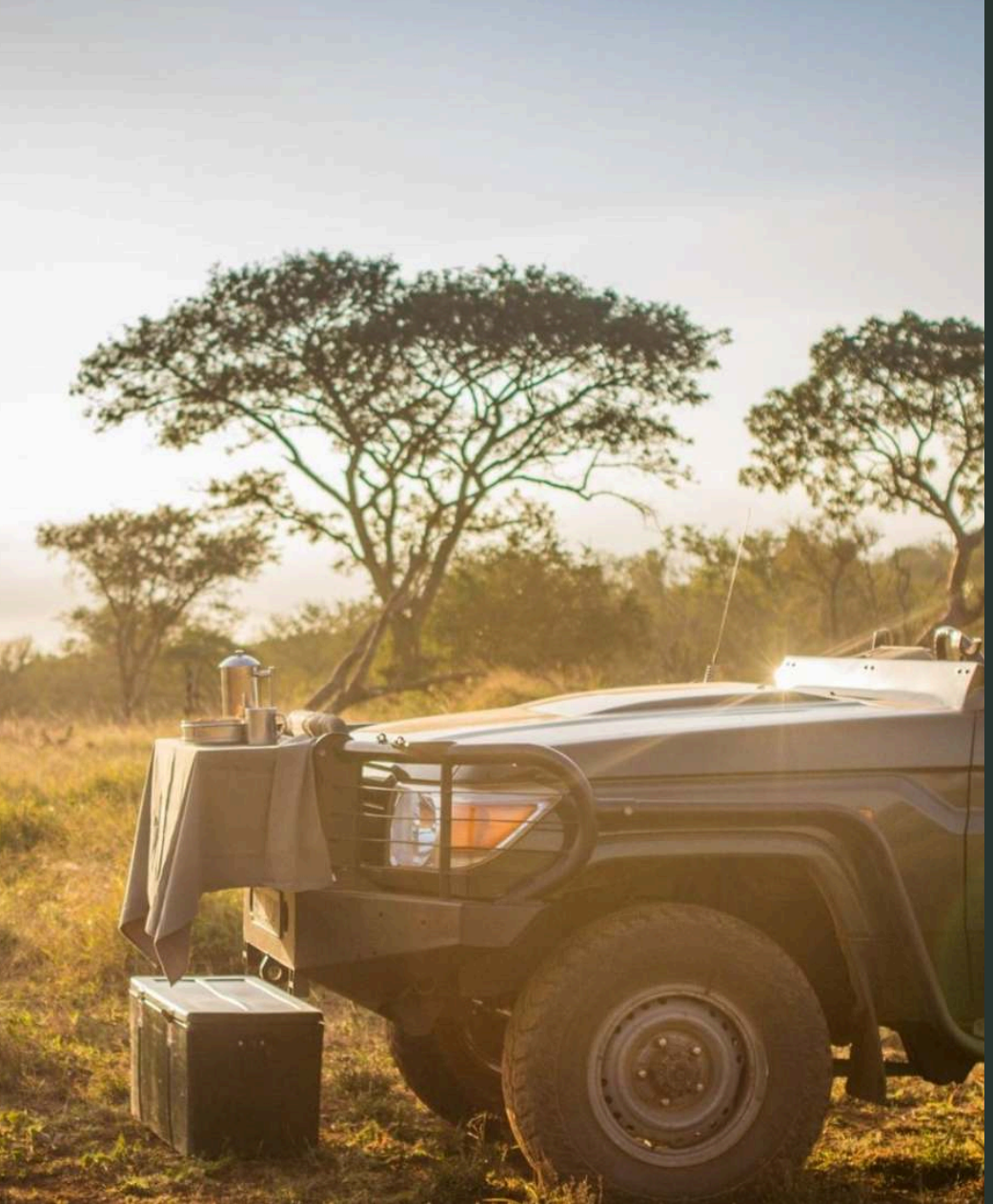
Lush corridors where leopard rest and shy suni hide.

MOUNTAIN

Lebombo slopes

Rocky ground and lookouts over the whole reserve, and home to the lodge itself.

MANYONI AT SUNSET



03 · YOUR DAY AT LEOPARD MOUNTAIN

One day, many worlds

FIRST LIGHT

Coffee, then out on your morning safari as the sun lifts over the Lebombo Mountains.

ON SAFARI

Giraffe in the acacias, zebra and wildebeest on the plains, fresh tracks in the sand, and perhaps a cheetah or leopard.

MIDDAY

Back at the lodge: breakfast with a view, a workout in the gym, a spa treatment, or simply your deck and the silence.

AFTERNOON & EVENING

Your afternoon safari into the golden hour, then dinner under an African sky.

04 · WHO YOU'LL MEET

The full cast



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The Big Five

Lion, leopard, elephant, buffalo, and both black and white rhino.



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Plains game

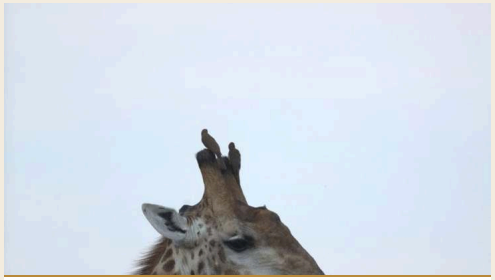
Zebra, giraffe, wildebeest, impala, kudu and nyala.



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Specials

Cheetah, spotted hyena, and rarities like suni and pangolin.



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Birdlife

From oxpeckers riding giraffe to raptors overhead.



Big Five, and then some.



CHEETAH · MANYONI

05 · SAFARI WITH PURPOSE

A reserve founded on rhino conservation

Manyoni is a working conservation landscape. As our guest, you don't just see wildlife; you can see the work that protects it, up close and in the field.

- Rhino horn trimming
- Pangolin encounters
- K9 anti-poaching unit
- Wildlife orphanage visits
- Zulu cultural tours

Arranged through our reservations team



WHITE RHINO CALF · MANYONI

06 · YOUR STAY

Leopard Mountain Safari Lodge

Perched high on a mountain in the heart of Manyoni. After a morning of variety, you come home to stillness.

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Suites

Each with its own sweeping view over the reserve.

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Safaris daily

Guided morning and afternoon safaris, included in every stay.

Cuisine

African-inspired dining with a view.

Spa

Treatments on the deck, overlooking the bush.

The gym, safari-style

Safari days have a natural rhythm: out at first light, back by mid-morning, then a long, quiet stretch before the afternoon safari. That midday window is perfect for our new gym, complimentary for staying guests, so you can keep your routine and cool off on your deck afterwards.



07 · GOOD TO KNOW

Planning your stay

YOUR STAY

Included

Two guided safaris every day, morning and afternoon, with our experienced rangers.

Complimentary use of the lodge gym.

TAILOR YOUR STAY

Experiences

Conservation experiences, cultural tours and spa treatments are arranged through our reservations team. Ask us when you book so we can plan them around your safaris.

A reserve conservation levy applies and is payable separately.

LOCATION

Getting here

We're in northern Zululand, about a three-and-a-half-hour drive north of King Shaka International Airport, Durban, with easy connections from Johannesburg and Cape Town.

Our reservations team will share detailed directions once you book.

SEASONS

A year-round safari

Winter (May to September) brings dry, crisp days and thinner bush for easier sightings. Summer (November to March) is lush and green, with newborn animals and migrant birds.

PACK

Packing tips

Neutral-coloured clothing, warm layers for early mornings, a hat, sunscreen, binoculars and a camera. Pack your swimwear and gym kit too.

HEALTH

Malaria-free safari

Leopard Mountain is in a malaria-free area, so there's no need for anti-malaria medication. That makes it ideal for families with children and anyone who prefers to avoid it.

08 · HOW LONG TO STAY

Choosing your nights

2 NIGHTS

A taste of the bush

Four safaris. Ideal as part of a wider South African journey.

3 NIGHTS · OUR RECOMMENDATION

The classic stay

Six safaris, time to settle into the rhythm of the bush, and room for a conservation experience or spa treatment.

4+ NIGHTS

Bush & beach

Four nights at Leopard Mountain, then a few days on the Zululand coast. *Ideal for honeymooners.*

Not sure what suits you? Our reservations team will happily help you plan the right stay.

09 · WHY LEOPARD MOUNTAIN

For seasoned safari-goers, Leopard Mountain adds rare specials. For first-timers, it offers something better: a safari that's full from start to finish, in a province that turns a safari into a complete holiday.



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