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Share The Magic



At Makumu, we believe that the magic of the African wilderness is meant to be shared. Whether you're seeking a romantic getaway, an adventurous solo trip, or a rejuvenating escape as a family, Makumu Private Game Lodge invites you to be a part of its story. Connect with nature, immerse yourself in the bush, and create cherished memories that will stay with you forever.

As we open our doors to travelers, we also open their eyes to the magnificence of our home within the Klaserie Private Nature Reserve. By sharing the magic, we create a ripple effect that reaches corners of the world we might never physically touch, yet profoundly influence.

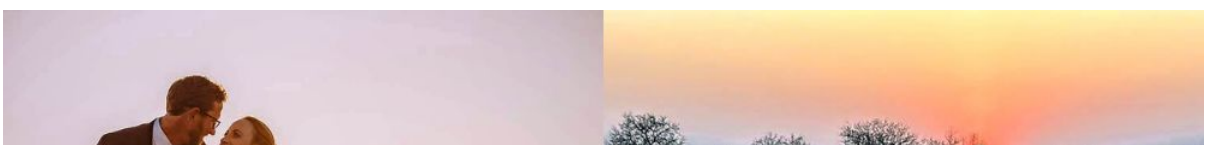
We believe that every safari should be a personal journey. With limited guest numbers, our safaris are designed to provide you with an up-close and personal encounter with the captivating wildlife, ensuring an experience that's uniquely yours.

While the Big Five are stars of the show, we've had incredible moments at the lodge that is equally as magical, from stargazing around the boma, indulging in delicious meals, proposal moments, birthdays, even a bush wedding!

Continue reading below to uncover the #MakumuMagic moments we could not wait to share with you!

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Love Is In The Air





At Makumu, we're not just witnesses to nature's beauty – we're witnesses to love's magic! We're thrilled to share two heartwarming tales that unfolded within our wild haven: a wedding and a proposal that left us all in awe...

A Makumu Wedding:

We hosted a beautiful intimate bush wedding celebration this past month at our lodge. The setting for the ceremony was set up in a sandy creek and we even had an unexpected visitor (an elephant) join in the wedding photos! We placed countless candles that lit up the entire lodge for the reception which gave a true 'bush' feeling and arranged all the décor, delicious canapes, as well as a scrumptious wedding cake!

***A quote from newly weds:** "Choosing Makumu to host our wedding celebration in the bush was undoubtedly one of the best decisions we have ever made! That rare, special occurrence where the reality far exceeds any expectations. Besides being a stunning venue for our celebration, owners Stefan and Karin, and the Makumu management team of Ruan, Shelley, Adi and Cherie made wedding planning an absolute breeze! Also, during our stay, every single one of Makumus' staff went above and beyond to accommodate us and any requests. An absolutely phenomenal experience, we wish we could do it all over again, but we will have to settle for anniversaries at Makumu! We cannot recommend choosing Makumu highly enough. Thank you Makumu for the best wedding ever."*

A Makumu Proposal:

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We recently hosted a lovely couple for a 6 day safari experience at Makumu, but this experience would be unlike any other! Whilst out on a sunset game drive, our rangers found the perfect spot for a special question to be asked! As the beautiful colours of the sun started to set over a waterhole, we captured the memorable moment with many tears of joy!

A quote from bride to be: *"This place will always hold a special place in my heart. For the first time, I teared up on the way out of a lodge - it might have been the wind, or the sand, or maybe it's the people, the place, the bond and the nature. It was more than just a lodge - so homely and warm. Also, since this was where Daryl proposed to me... made it extra special!"*

To book your perfect bush proposal, anniversary or wedding day, contact us and we will make sure all your dreams come true!

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Feature In Off The Path Travel Blog



We have been featured in 'Off The Path' travel blog titled: *These are the most beautiful lodges in South Africa...*

In these South Africa lodges, nature is the luxury. Marvel at the endless starry sky before going to bed, experience breathtaking sunrises in the bush and be woken up briefly at night by the roar of lions - all this awaits you in South Africa's lodges.

When you book your stay at Makumu Private Game Lodge you get a totally authentic and excellent safari lodge experience. The private game lodge is designed in an African style and thanks to the warmth of the team, you will feel right at home in the guest house.

Read the full blog [here](#).

Spend Your Birthday At Makumu



Spend your special day with us!

To all the adventurers and dreamers seeking an unforgettable birthday experience, Makumu Private Game Lodge invites you to celebrate with us in nature's wonder! Let us create a bespoke celebration that you'll always cherish for many years to come...

Embark on an intimate birthday safari with your friends and family where you can have up close encounters with the Big Five, a gift that the bush itself presents to you!

Then head back to the lodge for some birthday cake and refreshments...

Ready to celebrate with Makumu? Book with us today!

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Aug Wildlife Report



As stated in previous reports, this year we experienced substantial rainfall that extended into the later months. Even now, the Klaserie River maintains a modest yet picturesque flow, meandering through the reeds and over rocky terrain with its crystal-clear water.

This period marks our windy month and the season for controlled fires, a crucial practice when executed correctly. Essentially, it serves as a surface exfoliation, while we remain concerned about the uncontrolled fires beyond the reserve during this dry season with scorching winter days thus far. Fortunately, our game reserve remains unaffected, bearing only a distant smoky haze on the horizon.

During this time, we're treated to absolutely breathtaking sunsets, offering our guests the chance to capture iconic photographs for their bucket lists. From a wildlife perspective, this month has been one for the books. Despite encountering a couple of cold fronts, animal sightings have been abundant. The sparse vegetation has simplified the process of locating and trailing animals.

Read the full report [here](#).

All images in this article were taken by Ranger & GM - Ruan Ferreira

We love our Guests





Magic @ Makumu Private Game Lodge!

"I don't usually share reviews but this time I make an exception as our trip to South Africa became magic thx to our stay in Makumu. From the moment we arrived, we became part of the Makumu family! We only needed to enjoy and relax all the beautiful adventures: fabulous safaris, great sights of lions eating their prey only 2 meters away, a fantastic day in the photographic bunker, with lots of birds, zebras & giraffes at the pool, all nicely guided by Julia. We loved the breakfast, high teas and especially the fantastic dinners, together with the Makumu team. As my son stated: a dream became true! Thx to all team for a once in a lifetime experience!"

Johan B - [Tripadvisor](#)

Special Offers



AIR FLYING SAFARI PACKAGE

Experience the wilderness from above!

Join us in booking a 2-night stay, all inclusive with meals, drinks, 2 game drives a day & a 1 hour sightseeing helicopter flight for 2!

T&C Apply

Excludes Conservation Levy, Airport Transfers, Laundry, Additional Activities, Entrance fees

Valid until the 31st December 2023

T&C's Apply.

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Stay safe + healthy.
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