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Be a Responsible Traveller This July!





TAKE THE SUSTAINABLE ROUTE WHEN TRAVELLING TO MAKUMU!

Traveling is an exciting and essential part of life, a luxury that we took for granted before the pandemic hit, but now that we can travel again, we have the chance to explore new places, experience new cultures, and gain a better outlook on life. Between transportation, accommodation, and everything in between, there is the realisation that mass travel will now have a fast impact on our planet. So since it's Plastic-Free July month, we'd like to remind our travellers that during their excitement to travel to our lodge, we'd like them to be conscious when packing and be open to enjoy an authentic and sustainable safari experience.

Packing light is also a great way to be environmentally conscious when travelling. You don't need to pack that extra shampoo bottle, or container. Everything you need is at the lodge. Many guests that arrive at the lodge will notice the candles and tiki torches located all around the lodge. Our lodge runs on low electricity, giving you a true African experience when the sun sets. You'll end your day walking into a candlelit room after dinner near the boma. This helps towards reducing our carbon footprint. You will also notice the little use of plastic throughout the lodge, from your room features, to your bathroom essentials...

Makumu Private Game Lodge is also part of the Travel Sustainable Programme, which means it's taken significant steps to make your stay more sustainable!

Travel smart this upcoming month, travel to Makumu!

CONTACT US FOR MORE INFO!

Walking Safaris





TRACK GAME ON FOOT IN OUR WALKING SAFARIS...

Feel closer to nature when you explore the bush from the ground. Walking Safaris is an activity we always encourage guests to experience. There is simply nothing more thrilling than walking the same route the 'Big Five' have walked.

Join our highly skilled guides as you find tracks from antelope to elephant and experience the ultimate feeling of being one with the African bushveld. The senses are heightened searching for clues, sounds or smells to indicate an animal is nearby.

Contact us today and join us for the next adventure...

Klaserie Chronicle

**STEFAN'S EYES
OVER AFRICA**
Words: Claudia de Agrelo | Photos: Stefan Breuer

Throughout history, mankind has been curious about the world we call our own. Come to think of it, perhaps it's not a curiosity for the world we've seen, but rather for the world we haven't. A view that's larger than life, a different perspective, if you will. Makumu Private Game Lodge owner, Stefan Breuer, is such a man.

The story of Stefan goes back to his younger years in 1973 when he was a 16-year-old boy. He accompanied his father out into the bush of the Klaserie Private Nature Reserve (KPNR) and it was pure love at first sight! This was the beginning of an incredible story filled with adventure, discovery, and pure passion. Stefan found himself so deeply intrigued by the African continent and the exotic wildlife that inhabited it, that he returned time and time again over the ensuing years. He learnt everything there was to know about life in the bush to one day own a special part of it - that was his dream.

By 2001, he realised his dream by purchasing land that would later become the grounds of Makumu Private Game Lodge, with the lodge itself being built in 2002. This year thus marks the 20th anniversary celebration. Makumu - which means 'endless views' in Xosonga - is the manifestation of Stefan's vision. A place where you arrive as a guest and leave as family. This is his home.

During the earlier years, Stefan wanted to expand on his journey and view matters from a different perspective: to see view upon view like a bird flying above the earth. This led him to his next exciting adventure, a nine-week photographic expedition in his bright red Agusta A109 helicopter from Hamburg, Germany, to

MAKUMU PRIVATE GAME LODGE FEATURED IN KLASERIE CHRONICLE!

We take an in-depth look into Makumu Private Game Lodge owner, Stefan Breuer and his 'Eyes Over Africa' journey. In this issue, we dive into the story of Stefan and his passion for travel and the bush before Makumu was built.

Give it a read [here](#).

BOOK WITH US

No More Masks!



WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOUR SMILES!

Face masks are now a thing of the past and we can't wait to welcome you to Makumu Private Game Lodge with big smiles from the Makumu team...

New Makumu Video





THE MAGIC BEGINS HERE!

We are excited to announce that our new Makumu video is officially LIVE!

We are so proud of our lodge and delighted to share our African home with you, so come and take a look around. For those who have visited, let us take you back to the special memories you made with us, and for those who haven't - let this be your sign!

A special thanks to Travel Brand & our team at Makumu Private Game Lodge for putting our new video together and capturing the true essence of who we are.

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Photo credits: Stefan Breuer

Wildlife Update

I will be covering all the wonderful sightings that happened during June 2022, and what a lucky month we have had. Welcome to another Ranger Diaries Report by our ranger, Ruan.

Leopard:

Leopard sightings have been really good, throughout the traverse. The popular Manzi and her 2

youngsters are still sighted around the lodge quite often and they have been very successful...

Lion:

Lion sightings have been very good, and they have kept us on our toes. With the many bellies to fill we have seen them split more often, so we have been finding tracks all over the traverse...

Elephant:

Elephant sightings throughout the traverse has been very eventful, they have been all over and if I say all over, I mean everywhere, before and after game drive, during brunch, during afternoon tea...

Buffalo:

Buffalo herds have been scarce, even though we have been lucky on 2 occasions finding a nice large herd on our western border...

Hyena:

They are still the apex predator in our area and they rule the Malembeni area all the way to the lodge. There are a few pups around and they all range from +/- 6 weeks to 7 months, at least 3 or 4 different litters...

Highlight of the month:

Both AD and I received new guests and decided to just drive our own property for the afternoon, we both closed down for drinks. I decided to drive up and down between the two watering holes, I drove from Malembeni* (the waterhole where we have our photographic bunker known as 'iThumbela' - we highly recommend booking this for an exclusive wildlife sighting experience during your stay! Contact us for more information on this [here.](#)) to the Windmill and sat there for a few minutes, listening for any vocals or alarm calls, nothing, dead quiet. I decided to drive down to Malembeni again, and as we get there...

Read the full exciting Ranger Diaries report [here](#) to find out more!!!



Special Offers

STAY 2 NIGHTS & GET 15% OFF!

Stay with us between the 1st July until the 30th September 2022 for 2 nights and qualify for our 15% discount. For more information, or to book, click [here](#).

T's and C's Apply.

All Special Offers Subject to Availability.

Not combinable with any other promotions running.

BOOK WITH US TODAY!

Guest Review



AN INCREDIBLE REVIEW FROM A RECENT GUEST THIS PAST MONTH!

A truly magical experience

"Thanks so much to Cherie, AD, Shelley and Ruan for making our first safari a trip of a lifetime! The lodge was built by the owner for his family and has a really nice family vibe with brunch, afternoon tea and dinner eaten together with other guests, we got to meet other people from all over the world! As well as listening to lions, hyenas and monkeys in the bush whilst we were eating outside! Our Ranger, AD was fantastic and very knowledgeable. We spotted the Big Five and so much more, and he made such a big effort to make sure we tracked down the animals we wanted to see. Since the Klaserie is shared with just a few other lodges, the safari was very tranquil and did not feel commercial at all. We were able to track down animals and would only see another 1-3 cars throughout the whole game drive. We were torn between a 3 and a 4 night stay. So glad we went with 4 nights and we could have stayed for so much longer! The whole team is very hospitable and we loved hearing their stories from the bush!"

- Katdoyle2 (Tripadvisor - United Kingdom)

Travel Updates

COUNTRY TRAVEL CHANGES

The South African Government announced on June 22, 2022, that the remaining COVID-19

regulations have been repealed. Travelers entering South Africa are no longer required to produce vaccination certificates or recent negative PCR tests and masks are no longer required.

'We just need to take caution that the Covid-19 virus is not yet gone, it is still in our midst, we are just stronger than before especially with vaccination and we urge those not yet vaccinated to come forward and those due for boosters to also come forward.' - Minister of Health Dr Joe Phaahla

Stay safe + healthy.

The whole team is looking forward to
welcoming you to Makumu Private
Game Lodge!

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