

HIGHLIGHTS

- A new perspective: how iThumbela, our Photographic Bunker, came to be
- Voted amongst the world's Top 10 Hotels
- New additions to the Makumu team
- Covid testing available prior to departure
- Cape to Klaserie: the perfect partnership
- Promotions: Family Offer and South African Residents rate

Experience iThumbela



There is nothing quite like heading down into our <u>Photographic Bunker, iThumbela</u>, and experiencing a whole new perspective of watching wildlife. Similar to a hide (except that we're underground), the animals are unaware of our presence, and guests are able to take spectacular shots of wildlife visiting the pan for a drink cool off or to witness some playful interaction

Find out more in our video about how iThumbela came to be, and contact us for bookings!

TripAdvisor Travellers' Choice Awards



We are thrilled and so proud to have received the 2021 <u>TripAdvisor</u> <u>#TravellersChoice</u> Award!!

The Travellers' Choice Award celebrates hotels and lodges that consistently deliver fantastic experiences to travelers around the globe.

Thank YOU to our valued guests, travel trade partners, friends and supporters out there for choosing Makumu Private Game Lodge as your safari destination of choice and making us **one of the Top 10% worldwide!**

Welcome to the Makumu Family



We are delighted to announce the appointment of a new Assistant Management couple - Adrian van Zyl and fiancé, Cherié Bredenkamp. We are so excited to have them join the Makumu family.

Adrian and Cherié have been blessed to work and live in the Greater Kruger area for the past 5 years. They have a great love and passion for the wildlife/nature that South Africa has to offer and want to share that same love and passion with others across the world. They are extremely excited to continue their journey amongst an amazing team and bush family as they start their new roles with us at Makumu Private Game Lodge.

Now with Ruan and Shelley Ferreira as our General Managers and Adrian van Zyl and Cherié Bredenkamp as our Assistant Managers, we are excited for what the future holds for Makumu!

COVID Testing on Departure

Should you be departing Makumu Private Game Lodge for your international return flight, we are able to assist in organising a COVID test. Our team on the ground will arrange this with a testing facility in Hoedspruit by setting up an appointment prior to your departure. Transfer costs are not included.

Contact us to find out more.

Cape to Klaserie, Kruger



A reminder about our partnership with the boutique **POD** hotel in Camps Bay, Cape Town.

When visiting South Africa, who doesn't want to experience a beach and bush combination with a safari in the Greater Kruger and the beauty of Cape Town's beaches? For your Cape Town stay

we highly recommend the <u>POD</u>, our partner boutique hotel in Camps Bay, located a short stroll from this popular beach and some of the best eateries and entertainment in the city.

Stay for 3 nights at each property and receive a welcome gift from each - <u>contact us</u> and <u>POD</u> to find out more!

For the Trade

2021 and 2022 Rates

Please take note that our 2021 rates have been updated to reflect our COVID-19 policies. Please contact our Sales Manager, Tessa Dam, for our rates.

Conservation Levies

Please note the following updated conservation levies on a per person per night basis (ages 12+); rates are subject to change.

For international guests:

2021: R300 2022: R350

For South African guests:

2021: R100

Special Offers

Special Rate for SA Residents

Book and stay up to 31 December 2021 for a fantastic value rate of only R3 250 per person sharing per night, minimum 2 night stay; applicable to South African residents only.

We cannot wait to welcome your guests to Makumu!

Please contact our Sales Manager, Tessa Dam, to receive these rates.

COVID-19

Please find our COVID-19 Protocols here. Please note these are subject to change.

Exclusive Use

<u>Enquire now</u> about booking the lodge exclusively to ensure additional peace of mind when travelling.

Rate: only R36 075 (valid until 31st July 2021) per night, available to South African residents only.

Benefits:

- All ages welcome when booking exclusive use
- Guaranteed time at iThumbela, our Photographic Bunker, at no extra charge
- Privacy and flexibility

Wildlife Update



In the month of May we were privileged to have some fantastic sightings. The highlight for the month was a pride of lions on a waterbuck kill which we witnessed first-hand. Patience was key as we sat with them for nearly 30 minutes before it all went down.

Another great experience included a few hyenas joining us during a sundowner stop at one of our waterholes. They are such curious animals and tend to come very close to investigate! We also saw several massive herds of elephant which is always a great highlight - these "gentle giants" are such a pleasure to watch and we never get tired of them.

We had great sightings of general plains game at our lodge pan and were lucky enough to see a male saddle-billed stork walking around calmly before taking flight - an incredible sighting. We are excited to see what June has in store for us!

Read our Ranger Diaries for our recent wildlife update here.

Join us at Makumu to share in these amazing experiences! Contact us now to book.

Stay safe + healthy.

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

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