

THE ROYAL PORTFOLIO

ROYAL MALEWANE

Africa House

FACT SHEET



FRONT DECK

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WELCOME TO

Africa House

Bigger, bolder and brighter than ever, Africa House has been completely refurbished by Liz Biden as the ultimate expression of her eclectic style. Liz has effortlessly created unique and exciting spaces that bring people together, and help them connect with the magic of the bushveld.

At the heart of Africa House, the long room provides a focal point for families and friends to meet, eat, play and relax.

Children of all ages are welcome at Africa House. The 1,448m² (15,583ft²) villa offers ample space for up to 12 guests. Private services (private chef, host and private safari vehicle with a Guide and Tracker) let you determine the shape of each day and night that you spend there.

VIEW RATES

VIEW VIDEO



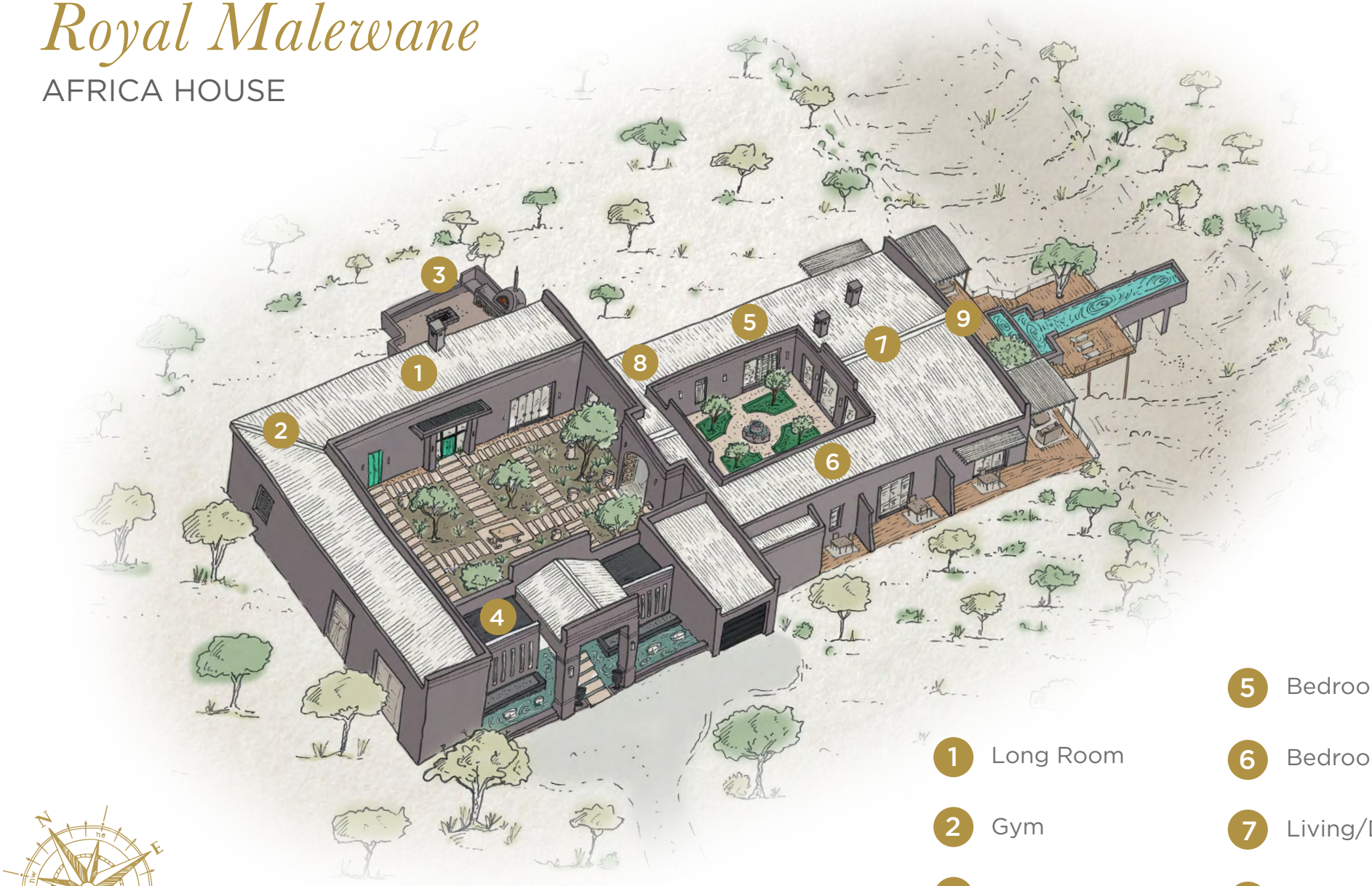
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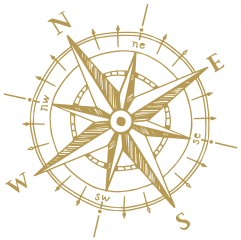
Royal Malewane Lodges and Villas



Royal Malewane

AFRICA HOUSE





1. Long Room
2. Gym
3. Boma
4. Treatment Room
5. Bedrooms 1, 3 & 5
6. Bedrooms 2, 4 & 6
7. Living/Dining Room
8. Pilot's Room
9. Front Deck

Floor Plan of Africa House





THE COURTYARD

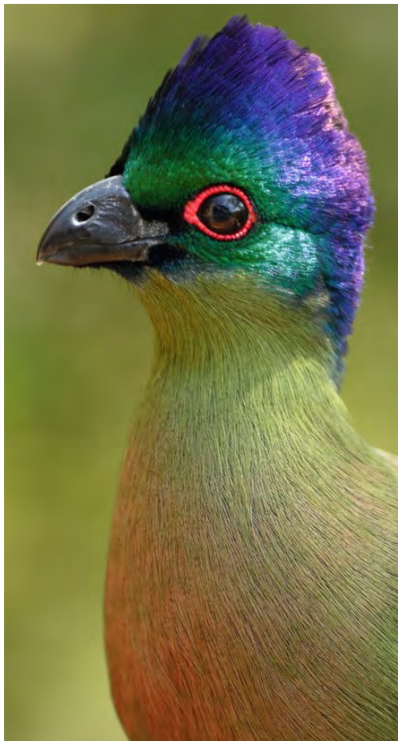
Bigger, Bolder, Brighter

Liz has given free rein to her creative impulses and combined bold pops of colour with found treasures from her travels. This blend of the antique and the contemporary from every point of the compass could only work under Liz's guidance – and it all comes together wonderfully as an iconic expression of her signature style.

> *"This is a place that holds many special memories for me and my family, and I'm excited to offer the magic of Africa House to people who share my passion for spending quality time with loved ones in unique environments."*
>
> LIZ BIDEN











Africa House Rooms

Each of the six guest rooms at Africa House has a unique décor scheme, with a dominant colour.

ALL ROOMS INCLUDE:

- Air conditioning
- En-suite bathroom
- In-room safe
- Telephone
- Wi-Fi
- International adaptors and hairdryers
- Private deck with outdoor showers

INTERLEADING ROOMS

Africa House features two sets of interleading rooms. The first set includes rooms 3 and 5, while the second set includes rooms 4 and 6. These interconnecting rooms allow families to stay close together while still enjoying their own private spaces.

Four of the rooms have king size beds (1, 2, 3 and 4), while rooms 5 and 6 each have two twin beds (which can be combined to create king size beds if required)



Guide/Pilot's Room

The Guide/Pilot's Room provides a restful yet inspiring space for any private staff you may choose to bring with you, whether they are pilots, private guides or nannies.

- Air conditioning
- En-suite bathroom
- Telephone
- Wi-Fi
- International adaptors and hairdryer
- Private deck with outside shower



EN-SUITE BATHROOM

Courtyard

The redesign of Africa House has involved the addition of a second, larger atrium which has more than doubled the size of the villa.

This expansive, planted area bridges the gap between the beauty of the bush and the luxury of Africa House. Grouped around the new courtyard are the living and wellness spaces of the reimagined villa: the long room, with its dedicated areas for play, dining and living, and the spa treatment room and gym room.

The long room in turn links to the open-air boma, the perfect place to start the day.





THE DINING/LIVING ROOM



FRONT DECK

A Family Safari

As an exclusive-use private villa, Africa House welcomes children of all ages. It provides the perfect setting for multigenerational travel and precious family time. Nanny accommodation (in the guide/pilots' room) is also available should you need an extra pair of hands to ensure that everything goes smoothly.

WHY CHILDREN LOVE AFRICA HOUSE

- Friendly staff who genuinely enjoy spending time with younger guests
- Child-friendly game drives
- Pool table and games
- The long room where they can spend time with family and friends
- A pool overlooking a dry river bed where animals pass by
- The Royal Rangers programme is specifically designed for children to learn bush skills, such as tracking, birdwatching, and even some words in the local language, Shangaan



Activities

Inviting endless opportunities to reconnect and experience a sense of togetherness in this pristine natural setting, guests can choose how to spend their days.

- Twice daily game drives with the most accomplished guiding team in Africa
- Discover the finer details of the bush while on foot during a bush walk
- Soothing wellness treatments at Africa House's double treatment room or at Royal Waters Spa close by
- Photographic safaris
- World-class wine tastings
- Make use of the gym facilities

CONSERVATION ACTIVITIES

- Visit Royal Malewane's Conservation and Research Centre
- Rhino dehorning experience
- Helicopter patrol flight
- APNR Ground-hornbill project experience
- Elephants Alive experience
- K9 Unit demonstration
- EWT wild dog conservation experience

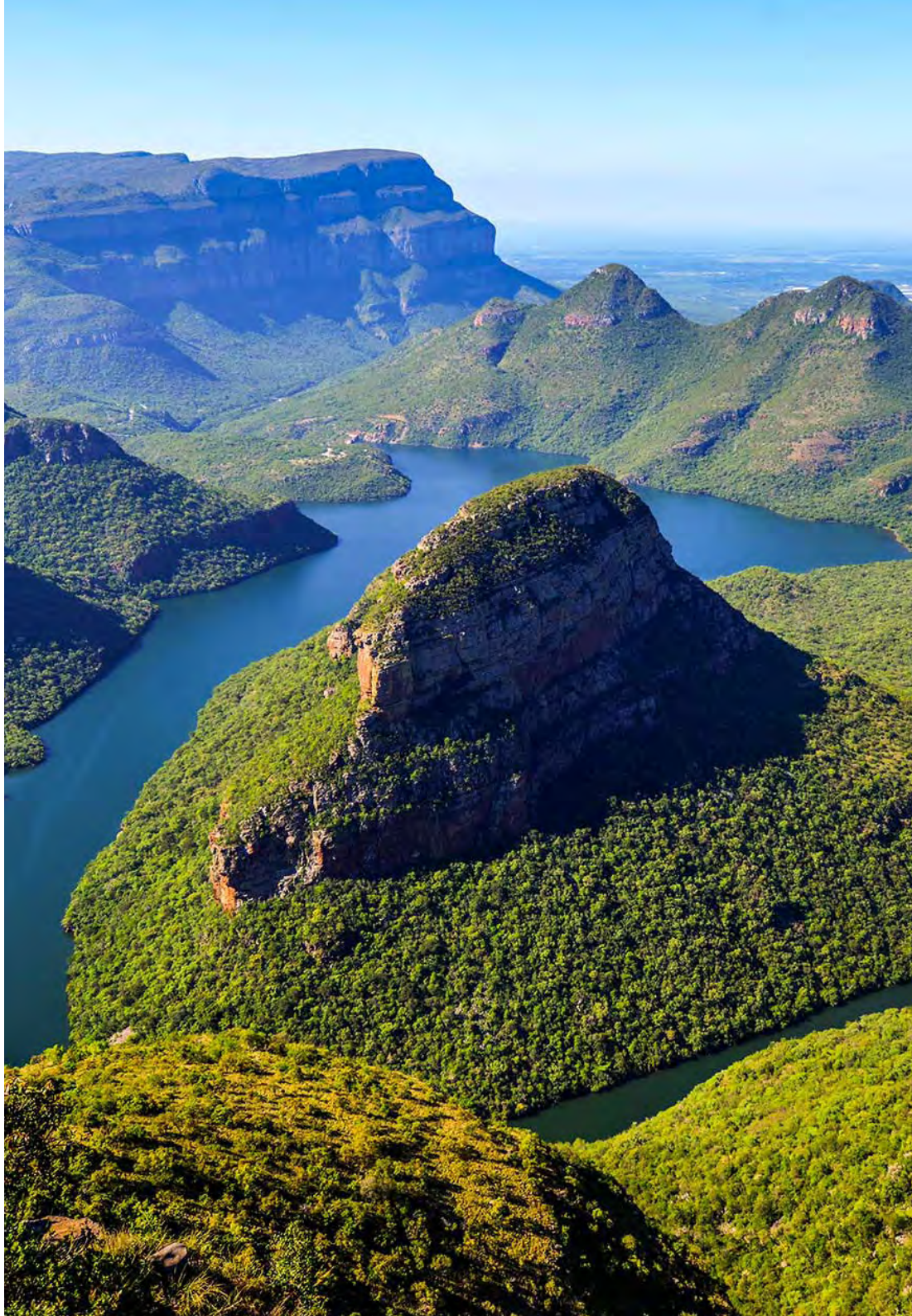
*For more information on these conservation experiences, click **here**. All conservation activities are subject to operational availability.*



Excursions

If you feel like venturing further afield, our Reservations team can arrange the following activities at an additional charge.

- Helicopter flights over the Blyde River Canyon, the world's deepest green canyon
- Golf at Africa's most exclusive bushveld golf course – Leopard Creek
- A visit to the Timbavati Museum
- A visit to the Mohololoholo Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre
- Visit Langutelani Crèche, Sigagule Crèche, or Sihlekisi Primary School in the local community, each supported by The Royal Portfolio Foundation



The Most Qualified Guiding Team
IN AFRICA

Royal Malewane is often referred to as the 'Harvard of the Bush'. That's because of the guiding team's unyielding passion for learning and their ambition not just to be the best, but to raise the standards of the industry as a whole. The Guides at Royal Malewane strive to achieve the highest Field Guides Association of Southern Africa (FGASA) qualifications, as well as advanced rifle handling certificates.

These qualifications ensure that you will enjoy an exceptional game-viewing experience – not only while on game drive, but also on foot during guided bush walks. At the pinnacle of the professional guiding qualifications are the Special Knowledge & Skills (SKS) Qualifications such as Dangerous Game and Birding. Very few guides in Africa achieve these qualifications which require extensive knowledge as well as technical skills - the team at Royal Malewane has these attributes in abundance.

Further to the impressive qualifications above, is the FGASA Scout status. There are only 13 Professional Field Guides with FGASA Scout status in the world, and two of those, are on the Royal Malewane team. We are also very proud to have two of only 11 living Master Trackers in the world on our team, and they are the only two working in the Greater Kruger region. Wilson Masiya, who passed away in 2015, was a legendary Master Tracker at Royal Malewane who left a remarkable guiding legacy.

Collectively, our guiding team brings over 300 years of combined African bush experience, ensuring exceptional safari experiences for our guests.









Spa and Wellness

Spending time in the African bushveld is undoubtedly good for your soul, and you can also use your time at Africa House to top up your wellness reserves.

Our experienced therapists offer a wide range of treatments, many of them drawing on traditional herbal medicine.

Choose from treatments designed to help you relax, rejuvenate or revitalise. Shed the stress of your journey to South Africa, fight fatigue and achieve inner peace with hands-on therapies that focus on different parts of your body.

Treatments can be enjoyed in the double treatment room at Africa House, in the privacy of your room or at the award-winning Royal Waters Spa at Malewane Lodge.



Dining

Dining at Africa House is a unique experience with a wide variety of beautiful settings in which to savour soul-stirring recipes and our handpicked selection of South Africa's finest wines.

Africa House offers you complete dining flexibility. We can tailor a menu to your personal tastes and dietary requirements. All meals, local beverages and house wines are included in our rates.

Bush Dinners bring a whole new meaning to "al fresco" and should not be missed. Feast under the stars, surrounded by the wilderness, and comforted by the glow of lanterns and a crackling fire.

Please speak to us about private chefs, our Kosher Compliant Kitchen (at an extra cost) and any dietary requirements.

What to Pack

The Golden Rule to remember is that safari should always be more about comfort than style; however, it is very possible to achieve both. Pack very minimal and lightweight, clothing in neutral, earth colours. Since Royal Malewane provides laundry services, packing light should be easy.

- A good pair of walking shoes and socks (for bush walks)
- Sandals for around the lodge and in your room
- Closed shoes for the evenings
- Long sleeve and mid-sleeve cotton shirts for layering
- Shorts - two or three pairs for midday wear
- Sleeveless shirts for warmer days
- Swimming costume
- A wind breaker
- Active wear (if wanting to use our gym)
- A sun hat or two (a wide brimmed hat that has a string)
- Sunglasses and a light scarf
- High SPF sunblock and mosquito repellent
- Camera, video camera, binoculars, spare memory cards, and chargers

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO PACK FOR WINTER:

- A warm jacket
- Cotton shirts or vests
- One or two jumpers
- Thermal undergarments
- Winter evening wear
- A beanie and scarf for morning drives
- A few long sleeve shirts
- A few long pants
- Walking shoes, sandals and boots
- A lightweight rain jacket for the rainy season





Community and Conservation

Aligned with The Royal Portfolio's ethos, Royal Malewane prioritises community upliftment and environmental conservation.

COMMUNITY

- We support community development projects
- We're committed to improving crèche and school facilities in nearby villages
- Guests have the chance to visit the local crèches and schools we support

CONSERVATION

- Thornybush's K9 anti-poaching dog unit is making the Greater Kruger area safer for wildlife
- The Royal Portfolio Foundation is committed to supporting various conservation projects in the Greater Kruger, such as the APNR Ground Hornbill Project, EWT Birds of Prey Programme and the EWT Wild Dogs Project

THE CONSERVATION AND RESEARCH CENTRE

The Royal Malewane Conservation & Research Centre (CRC) is a hub for researchers, scientists, and guests who share our passion for conservation. It is a space where professionals can share their findings through lectures and discussions.

The CRC will inform and empower our goal of preserving the Greater Kruger ecosystem; it fosters a deeper understanding of the challenges we face and how we plan to overcome them.



Sustainability

HYDRONIC HEATING AND COOLING WATER SYSTEM

At our most recently built lodges and villas, we've invested in an innovative, integrated heating system that uses solar energy and hydronics to heat water, pools, towel rails, and underfloor heating, while also powering the air conditioning.

ADDITIONAL PROJECTS

- We're reducing the amount of water we use
- We're limiting our carbon footprint by choosing energy-efficient devices
- We're phasing out plastic water bottles in favour of reusable glass bottles

GETTING TO *Africa House*

TRAVEL BY AIR

From Johannesburg (O.R. Tambo International Airport -JNB):
SA Airlink and CemAir fly daily to Hoedspruit Airport (HDS), and FlySafair also operates scheduled services on select days of the week. Bookings can be made directly online.

Road transfers can be arranged by Royal Malewane and take approximately 90 minutes in a comfortable air-conditioned vehicle.

From Cape Town International Airport (CPT):
SA Airlink and CemAir operate daily flights to Hoedspruit Airport (HDS), while FlySafair offers scheduled services on select days. Bookings for all flights can be made directly online.

Chartered Flights:
You can also charter your own flight directly to our private airstrip. Our Reservations Team can assist with domestic flights and private charters and road transfers.

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Good to Know

GENERAL

- We have a 24-hour staffed switchboard
- Babysitting services can be arranged at an additional cost
- Weddings can also be arranged at Royal Malewane
- We accept MasterCard, Visa, Diners Club and American Express Credit Cards
- We welcome families with children of all ages at Africa House

INCLUDED IN STAY

- Accommodation
- All meals & snacks
- All coffees & speciality teas
- Mini-bar
- Wi-Fi
- Laundry service
- Local beverages & house wines
- Game drive and bush walks
- Transfers to and from Royal Malewane Airstrip
- Private services (private chef, host and private safari vehicle with a Guide and Tracker)

EXCLUSIONS

- Boutique purchases
- Telephone calls
- Kosher meals
- Photographic equipment
- Conservation & Community Levy
- Transfers to and from the reserve



Royal Malewane Lodges Comparison

MALEWANE LODGE

A classic and traditional bush-style lodge, brimming with old-world elegance and timeless luxury. This is the original Biden Family homestead.

- Sleeps 20 guests across six Luxury Suites and two Royal Suites
- All suites enjoy direct access to Malewane Lodge's reception, dining areas, library, spa and gym via illuminated pathways
- Guide's room available
- Masiya bar and Wine Cellar
- The Royal Waters Spa
- Luxury Suites welcome children over 10 years old
- Royal Suites welcome children of all ages and offer private services

FARMSTEAD

A contemporary-style lodge with sweeping vistas over the bushveld. A more intimate and private space that is both stylish and comfortable.

- Sleeps 6 guests across three Luxury Farm Suites
- All suites enjoy direct access to Farmstead's reception, dining area, treatment room, gym and The Farmhouse via illuminated walkways
- Guide's room available
- Communal bar
- Treatment room
- Luxury Farm Suites welcome children over 10 years old

WATERSIDE

A modern luxury safari lodge that combines thatch, glass and steel. This spacious sanctuary brings a splash of colour to Royal Malewane.

- Sleeps 16 guests across four Luxury Suites, two Aloe Rooms and one Baobab Suite
- All suites enjoy direct access to Waterside's reception, dining areas, library, family games room, spa, gym and yoga room via illuminated pathways
- Guide's room available
- Outdoor bar
- Wine cellar
- Reflections Spa
- Children of all ages are welcome

MASIYA'S CAMP

Masiya's Camp offers a unique experience under canvas in an ultra-modern style, with every comfort one could imagine.

- Sleeps 12 guests across six Luxury Tented Suites
- All suites enjoy direct access to Masiya Camp's dining areas, boutique, pool and reception
- Communal bar and lounge
- Children aged 10 and above are welcome

Private Villa Options

AFRICA HOUSE

- Sleeps up to 12 guests
- A two-minute drive from Malewane Lodge
- Private services (private chef, host and private safari vehicle with a Guide and Tracker)
- Children of all ages are welcome

FARMHOUSE

- Sleeps 6 adults and 2 children
- Private services (private chef, host and private safari vehicle with a Guide and Tracker)
- Direct access to Farmstead and its facilities via illuminated pathways
- Children of all ages are welcome

WATERSIDE HOUSE

- Sleeps up to 8 guests
- Private services (private chef, host and private safari vehicle with a Guide and Tracker)
- Direct access to Waterside and its facilities via illuminated pathways
- Children of all ages are welcome

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