

THE ROYAL PORTFOLIO

ROYAL MALEWANE

# *Malewane Lodge*

FACT SHEET





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WELCOME TO

# *Malewane Lodge*

Malewane Lodge, the original flagship of Royal Malewane, has undergone a comprehensive refurbishment and reopened on 1 July 2026.

The reimagined lodge honours its award-winning heritage while preserving its timeless, classic safari elegance and evolving to meet the expectations of today's luxury traveller with enhanced comfort, privacy and space.

Intimate details, elevated flow through each suite and a more refined lodge experience ensure that the warm spirit of Malewane Lodge is not only maintained but elevated.

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*Malewane Lodge*

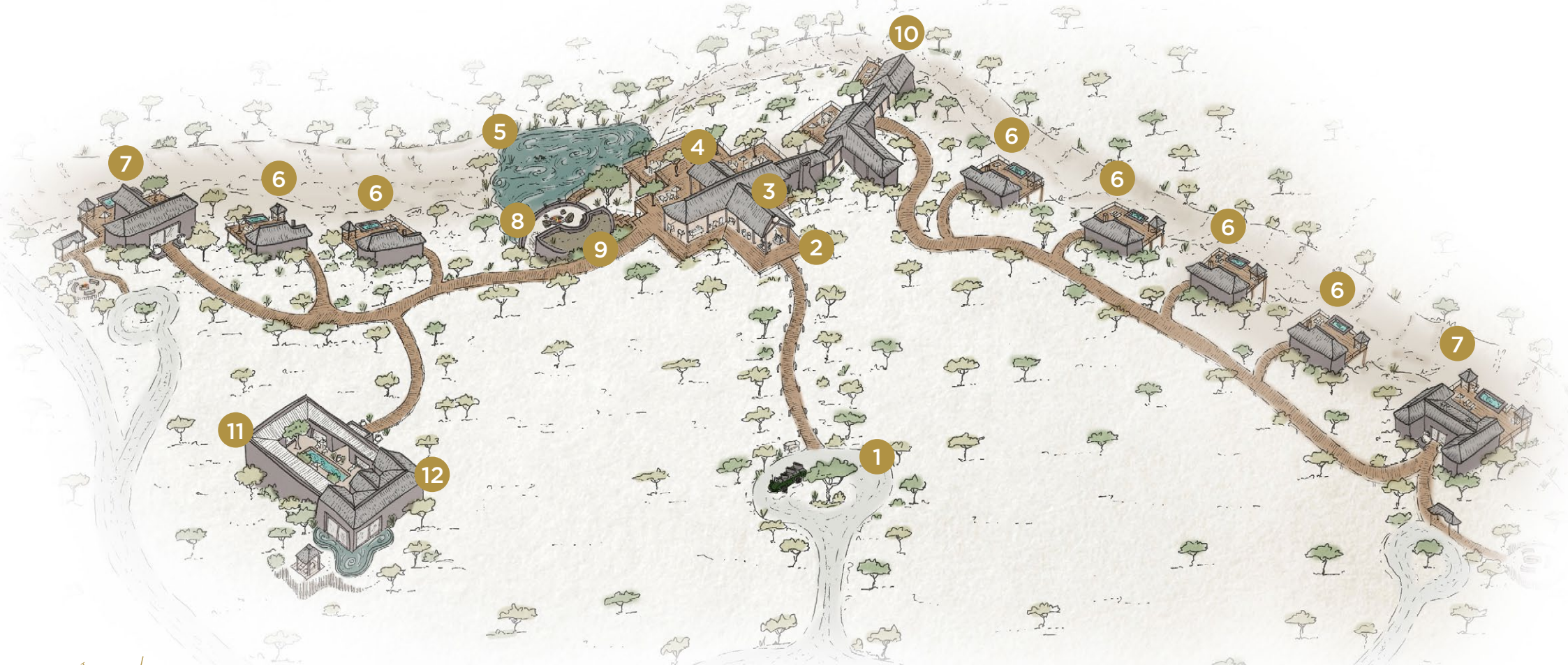


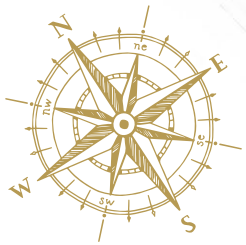
# *Royal Malewane Lodges and Villas*



# *Royal Malewane*

## MALEWANE LODGE




1 Arrival Circle
2 Main Lodge
3 Boutique
4 Dining Area
5 Waterhole
6 Luxury Suites
7 Royal Suites
8 Bar & Fire Pit
9 Observation Lounge
10 Library
11 Fitness Centre
12 Royal Waters Spa

# *Accommodation Comparison*

## MALEWANE LODGE

### DETAILS

A classic bush lodge, brimming with charm and luxury.
This is the original Biden Family homestead.

### FACILITIES

- Reception
- Boutique
- Fitness centre
- Royal Waters Spa
- Dining areas
- Library
- Bar
- Wine cellar

### ACCOMMODATION

Sleeps a total of 20 guests

| SUITE NAME | Luxury Suite | Royal Suite |
|---|---|---|
| NO. OF SUITES | 6 | 2 |
| ROOMS PER SUITE | 1 | 2 |
| AGES | 10 & up | All |
| PRIVATE SERVICES | No | Yes |
| SIZE (Including heated private pool & deck) | 155m² \| 1,668ft² | 560m² \| 6,027ft² |



# *Malewane Lodge Overview*

Situated on the western boundary of the Greater Kruger National Park, Malewane Lodge enjoys sweeping views over pristine wilderness and a bustling waterhole that attracts a remarkable variety of wildlife.

The reimagined lodge retains its distinctive classic safari style while introducing subtle yet meaningful enhancements that elevate comfort and privacy.

Malewane Lodge welcomes just 20 guests, ensuring a highly personalised safari experience.

**ACCOMMODATION INCLUDES:**

- 6 x One-bedroom Luxury Suites
- 2 x Two-bedroom Royal Suites



# *Royal Suites*

The two Royal Suites have been reimagined to create an even greater sense of privacy and comfort offering expansive indoor and outdoor living spaces ideal for couples travelling together and families.

Each Royal Suite features two spacious en suite bedrooms positioned on either side of a central living and dining area, creating a layout that balances togetherness with privacy.

### ROYAL SUITE FEATURES:

- Two en suite bedrooms with views overlooking the wilderness
- Expansive lounge area with central fireplace
- Private central dining area
- Outdoor deck overlooking the bushveld
- Heated private pool
- Outdoor showers
- Underfloor heating in bedrooms and bathrooms
- Refined suite layout with improved flow between spaces
- A new private courtyard entrance with handcrafted grand Moroccan-style wooden entrance doors
- A new service kitchen is situated back-of-house, adjacent to the suites, offering seamless and discreet service for meals

Children of all ages are welcome in the Royal Suites.

**Guests staying in the Royal Suites enjoy a full range of private services, including a dedicated host, private chef, and a private safari vehicle with their own dedicated Field Guide and Tracker.**











ROYAL SUITE HEATED PRIVATE POOL

# *Luxury Suites*

Each suite is designed as a private sanctuary within the bush, offering expansive indoor-outdoor spaces and uninterrupted views of the surrounding wilderness.

## EACH LUXURY SUITE INCLUDES:

- Spacious bedroom with views over the vast landscape
- Elegant fireplace and sitting area
- Large en suite bathroom
- Private wooden outdoor deck
- Heated private pool
- Thatched outdoor sala for shaded relaxation
- New individual entrance hall arrival space
- Air conditioning and ceiling fans
- Smart TV and complimentary Wi-Fi
- Tea and coffee making facilities
- Fully stocked in-room minibar
- In-room safe
- International plug adaptors and hairdryer

Children aged 10 years and older are welcome in the Luxury Suites.

**The refreshed suites feature all new finishes, enhanced deck areas and beautifully retiled and heated private pools.**









LUXURY SUITE HEATED PRIVATE POOL

# *Lodge Facilities*

The reimagined lodge introduces beautifully enhanced shared spaces designed to encourage connection, both with nature and with fellow guests.

LODGE HIGHLIGHTS:

- An expanded boutique with a carefully curated selection of safari lifestyle pieces
- A redesigned bar and observation lounge with stackable glass doors that open completely to the bushveld
- A repositioned fire pit for morning coffee and sunset gatherings
- A dedicated coffee and fresh juice bar
- An elevated arrival experience at a new guest lounge at the Royal Malewane Airstrip

These spaces are designed to create a sense of **effortless indoor-outdoor living**, allowing guests to remain deeply connected to the surrounding wilderness at every moment.









MALEWANE LODGE BAR

# *Dining*

**Dining at Malewane Lodge 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.**

The main dining area at Malewane Lodge overlooks a bustling waterhole, resulting in some spectacular mealtime game viewing.

Royal Malewane offers you complete dining flexibility. We can tailor a menu to your personal tastes and dietary requirements. All meals, local beverages and wines (excluding French Champagne) are included in our rates.

Bush Dinners let you 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.*



# *Family Safaris*

Watch your children fall in love with the African bush under the careful and thoughtful guidance of our expert Field Guides and Trackers, who love sharing their knowledge.

**Malewane Lodge welcomes families with children of all ages in the Royal Suites, and children aged 10 years and older in the Luxury Suites.**

## CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES:

- Royal Rangers programme (bush backpack & wildlife booklet with a checklist)
- Junior Rangers course (tracking skills)
- Game drives tailored to young explorers
- Royal Cubs spa menu





# *Activities & Excursions*

**Royal Malewane invites guests to reconnect and experience a sense of togetherness, choosing how they spend their days.**

- Enjoy twice daily game drives with the most accomplished guiding team in Africa, discover the finer details of the bush on foot during a bush walk, or choose from photographic safaris, star safaris, birdwatching, exceptional dining and world-class wine tasting, then unwind with soothing wellness treatments at Royal Waters Spa, or make use of Malewane Lodge's fitness centre facilities
- Beyond the lodge, guests can enjoy helicopter flights, golf at Leopard Creek, visits to Timbavati Museum and Moholoholo Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre, and community visits

## CONSERVATION ACTIVITIES

- Visit Royal Malewane's Conservation & Research Centre
- Rhino dehorning experience
- Helicopter patrol flight
- APNR Southern Ground-Hornbill Project experience
- Elephants Alive experience
- K9 Unit demonstration
- EWT wild dog conservation experience

*For more information on experiences at Royal Malewane, click here.*

# *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 Field 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 a 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 Field Guides in Africa achieve these qualifications, which require extensive knowledge as well as technical skills, and the team at Royal Malewane has these attributes in abundance.

Further to the impressive qualifications above is the FGASA Scout status. There are only 14 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 & Wellness*

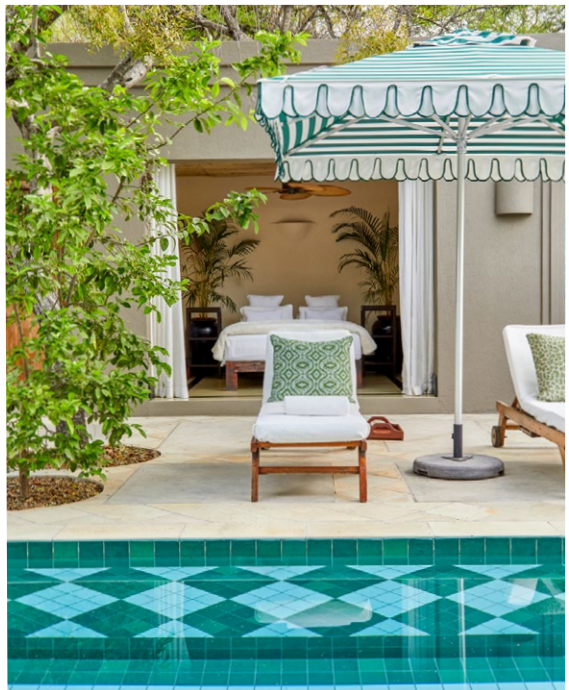
## OUR SPA AND WELLNESS TREATMENTS DRAW ON THE HEALING POWER OF NATURE AND TRADITIONAL HERBAL WISDOM

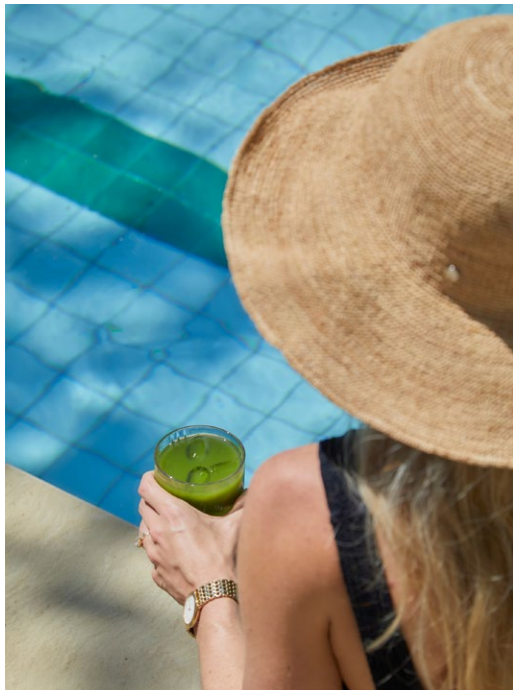
**The Royal Waters Spa** at Malewane Lodge celebrates the therapeutic properties of water, with treatments harnessing mineral-rich water sourced from an underground stream that winds through the reserve. Every element of the spa is designed to restore balance and rejuvenate the senses.

### THE SPA FACILITIES INCLUDE:

- Heated lap pool 25m (82ft)
- Three treatment rooms (one double and two single)
- An updated fitness centre with the latest equipment
- Steam room
- Sauna
- Cold plunge
- Four private casitas









THE ROYAL WATERS SPA HEATED LAP POOL

# *What to Pack*

**The Golden Rule to remember is that safari should always be about comfort rather than style, although it is entirely possible to achieve both. Pack minimally and lightly, choosing clothing in neutral, earthy tones. Since Royal Malewane provides laundry services, packing light is made effortless.**

- A good pair of walking shoes and socks (for bush walks)
- Sandals for around the lodge and in your suite
- 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
- A swimming costume
- A windbreaker
- Active wear (if you're wanting to make use of our fitness centre)
- 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, 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 pairs of trousers
- 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 empowerment and environmental conservation.**

## COMMUNITY

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

## CONSERVATION

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

## THE CONSERVATION & 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 informs and supports our goal of preserving the Greater Kruger National Park's ecosystem, deepening our understanding of the challenges we face and how to overcome them.

# GETTING TO *Malewane Lodge*

## 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, private charters and road transfers.

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# *Good to Know*

## GENERAL

- Weddings can be arranged at Royal Malewane
- Private safari vehicles can be arranged on request, subject to availability and at additional cost
- We accept MasterCard, Visa, Diners Club and American Express Credit Cards
- Malewane Lodge welcomes families with children of all ages in the Royal Suites, and children aged 10 years and older in the Luxury Suites

## INCLUDED IN STAY

- Accommodation
- All meals & snacks
- All coffees & speciality teas
- In-room minibar
- Wi-Fi
- Local beverages & house wines
- Laundry service
- Game drives and bush walks
- Transfers to and from Royal Malewane Airstrip

## EXCLUSIONS

- Boutique purchases
- Telephone calls
- Kosher meals
- Photographic equipment
- Conservation & Community Levy
- Transfers to and from the reserve
- Private safari vehicle (included only for the Royal Suites, which have private services including a private chef and host, as well as a private safari vehicle with a Field Guide and Tracker)



# *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, spa and fitness centre via illuminated pathways
- Guide's rooms available
- Communal bar and lounge
- 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 views over the bushveld. An intimate, 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, wellness treatment room and fitness centre via illuminated pathways
- Guide's room available
- Communal bar and lounge
- Wellness Treatment Room
- Farmstead welcomes children over the age of 10

## 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, fitness centre and yoga room via illuminated pathways
- Guide's rooms available
- Communal bar and lounge
- 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 the lodge's dining areas, boutique, main camp heated pool and reception via illuminated pathways
- Communal bar and lounge
- Masiya's Camp welcomes children over the age of 10

# *Private Villa Options*

## AFRICA HOUSE

- Sleeps up to 12 guests
- Private services (private chef, host and private safari vehicle with a Field Guide and Tracker)
- Wellness Treatment Room
- Children of all ages are welcome

## FARMHOUSE

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

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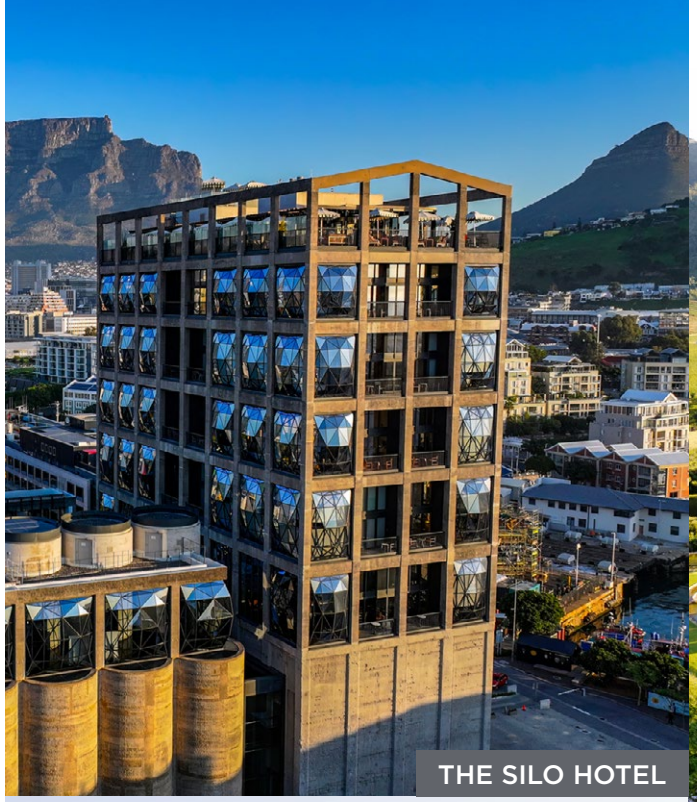
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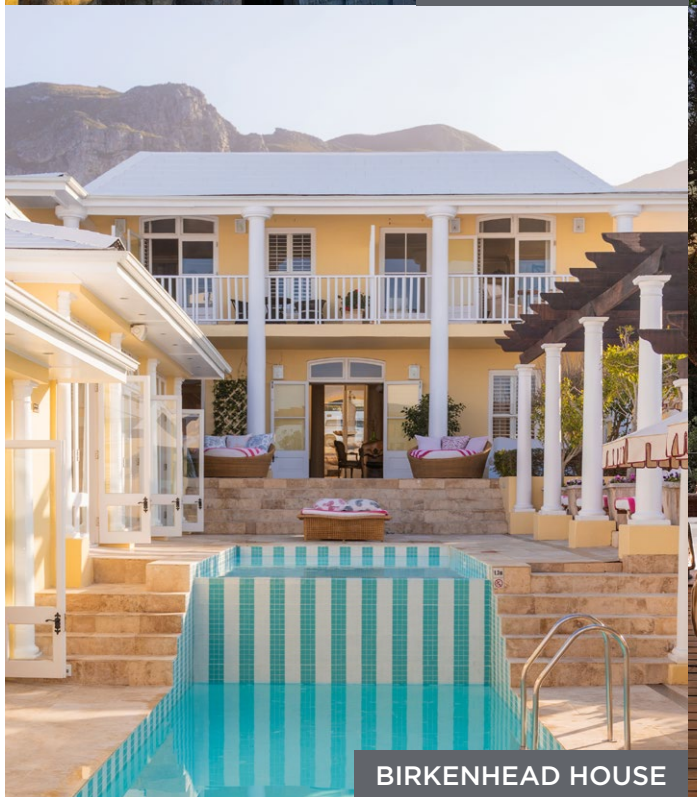
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