

THE CAMP JABULANI RHINO CONSERVATION SAFARI

Help to keep the endangered rhino alive

Camp Jabulani is a family-owned and managed private luxury safari lodge located within the private Kapama Game Reserve in Hoedspruit, South Africa (in close proximity to the Kruger National Park in the scenic Mpumalanga region).

The Roode Family has a long history in the South African wildlife community, with Lente Roode as founder of the renowned Hoedspruit Endangered Species Centre (HESC). It was the HESC's commitment to rescuing and providing a safe haven for orphaned, injured and vulnerable animal species that saw the conceptualisation and creation of Camp Jabulani.

The Rhino Conservation Safari offers a unique insight into the white rhino and its behavioural patterns. During the three night, four day programme a group of 2 (min) to 10 (max) guests will accompany an allocated ranger to explore the reserve and spot the rhino. Prior to venturing out, guests will undergo a comprehensive briefing and be given specific roles. Our vet will then join the group and set off in a helicopter to dart the targeted white rhino. Once the rhino is darted and sedated, the participants will join the specialist ranger team on the ground and assist with administering the necessary medication, taking measurements for scientific and medical purposes and monitoring the animal while it is still sedated. Participants will also have an opportunity to witness as the rhino horn is drilled for the insertion of a microchip, and to perform an ear-notching procedure for future identification. Both of these tasks are important for the preservation of the rhino.

Camp Jabulani has been instrumental in the support and preservation of the rhinoceros population since its successful introduction to the Kapama Game Reserve in 1989. A game relocation programme was introduced, and as a result the Kapama Game Reserve today supports a wide variety of wildlife including elephant, buffalo, rhinoceros, and large populations of giraffe, impala, blue wildebeest and kudu. Predators include lion, leopard, cheetah, spotted hyena and many smaller species. Camp Jabulani's guests are offered the opportunity to visit the HESC during their stay.

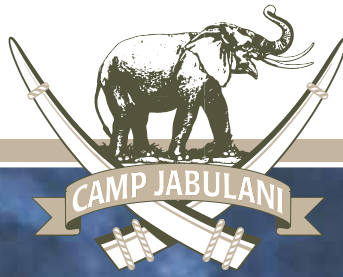
The Centre, established by Lente Roode in the late 1980's, began as a cheetah breeding facility and has evolved to become a world-renowned research and breeding establishment for various animal species. The HESC is situated a short drive from Camp Jabulani within the natural reserve and comprises in excess of 100 hectares of natural bush.

Guests who visit the HESC will also get to see and learn about two rhinos that survived a poaching ordeal. In August 2013 by the anti-poaching unit discovered three rhinos which had been darted and de-horned by poachers. The horns had been neatly cut off with a chain-saw, which left the animals' sinus canals open and exposed, posing a massive threat. Although one bull was killed, the remaining two cows miraculously survived.

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The two rhinos were moved into the care of HESC, so that they could be carefully monitored and nursed back to health. The HESC has played a major role in the treatment procedures for these rhinos, and the cows have made a remarkable recovery with the assistance of The Centre's vet and specialist team.

Through The Rhino Conservation Safari, Camp Jabulani offers its guests the rare opportunity to help preserve this endangered species.

RATES & CONDITIONS

2015:

- ZAR 30,000.00 for the full day programme, 100 % of which is allocated back into the rhino conservation fund.
- This fee excludes accommodation; but includes a private safari vehicle and participation in the rhino conservation experience for a maximum of 10 people.
- The experience is on request and a lead-time of at least 30 days is necessary.
- Participants must be 16 years and older.
- This programme is available all year, but the best time to experience is during the winter period of 1 May – 30 September.
- Full board accommodation starts at ZAR 6,550.00 per person sharing at Camp Jabulani, or ZAR 52,750.00 for exclusive-use of Zindoga Villa for 6 guests.
- A 3 night stay is recommended. Camp Jabulani's Fifty-on-Three package enables guests to enjoy a discount of 50% on the third night's accommodation.

NOTES

Camp Jabulani is one of the largest private game reserves in South Africa, and it is owner-run and managed with a strong focus on conservation and community development. The 16,000 hectare/ 39,540 acre pristine bushveld.

Apart from the traditional safari activities, guests can participate in elephant back safaris, 'Big Game' walks, volunteering initiatives and cultural visits.

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