

# SHUMBALALA GAME LODGE

## Property Overview

Situated within the Greater Kruger National Park, in the Thornybush Private Nature Reserve, Shumbalala Game Lodge offers an intimate and luxurious safari experience in one of South Africa's premier Big Five wildlife destinations. The lodge lies on the banks of the seasonal Monwana River, surrounded by classic African savanna landscapes

With a limited number of suites, personalised service and exceptional guiding, Shumbalala provides guests with exclusive access to outstanding wildlife viewing, fine cuisine and tranquil bushveld surroundings.

## Property Fact Sheet



## KEY FACTS



Property Type .....	Game Lodge
Rating .....	5 Stars
Number of Rooms .....	4 Superior Suites, Two bedroomed Presidential Suite
Private vehicle .....	By arrangement, availability dependent
Check-in .....	14:00
Check-out .....	11:00
Power supply .....	Solar plant, generator, Eskom
Languages Spoken .....	Afrikaans, English, Xhosa, Zulu
Special Interests .....	Big Five safaris, birding, wildlife, relaxation, gourmet experiences, nature, star gazing
W-Fi .....	Complimentary
Accessibility .....	Hoedspruit Airport (closest and recommended)
Road transfers .....	Available by arrangement at additional cost
Conservation levies .....	R330 per person, per day (2026)

## ACCOMMODATION



Shumbalala Game Lodge offers exclusive accommodation designed for privacy and luxury.

### Superior Suites | 4 Suites

**Stone-clad luxury suites: 75 m<sup>2</sup> | Room 4: Disabled Assist room (handle bars in shower and toilet)**

Features include:

- King or twin beds
- Indoor fireplace
- Indoor and outdoor showers
- Private viewing deck
- Private plunge pool
- En-suite bathroom
- Airconditioned
- Overhead fans
- Stocked mini bars
- Safe
- Mosquito net

### Presidential Suite | 1 Two-bedroomed Villa

**A spacious 225m<sup>2</sup> private villa ideal for families or two couples.**

Features include:

- Two en-suite bedrooms (double + twin)
- Private lounge and dining room
- Butler's kitchen
- Fireplace in lounge/dining area
- Outdoor dining area
- Two Private plunge pools
- Private boma area
- Minibar and luxury amenities
- Airconditioned
- Overhead fans
- Stocked mini bars
- Safe
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## FACILITIES



**Shumbalala Game Lodge is suitable for guests with walking difficulties, with very few steps and most areas either on one level or accessible via ramps.**

- Large rim flow communal swimming pool
- Plunge pools with pool loungers at each room
- Communal lounges
- Indoor and outdoor dining areas
- Library with smart TV, games and books
- Wi-Fi
- Viewing deck overlooking the waterhole and seasonal Monwana river
- In-room spa treatments (on request and at additional cost)
- Boutique/gift shop
- Laundry service (at additional cost)

## DINING



### Gourmet Cuisine - All Meals Included

Dining at Shumbalala is a celebration of taste and atmosphere, with relaxed al fresco meals enjoyed in the heart of the bush. All meals are included and thoughtfully curated throughout the day, beginning with morning coffee before safari, followed by snacks during the morning bush stop, and a full English and continental breakfast upon return. Guests can enjoy a leisurely al fresco lunch, as well as snacks during the afternoon safari stop, before ending the day with a three-course dinner.

Dining locations are varied and carefully considered, ensuring guests seldom dine in the same place twice, adding a sense of discovery to every meal.

Dining options include:

- Indoor dining areas
- Outdoor decks and patios
- Traditional African boma dinners
- Bush breakfasts or bush dining experiences
- Sunset private events
- Riverbed dinners

## BAR & WINE



- Cocktail bar area - softs, beers, waters and most spirits included (top shelf and imported beers/spirits excluded)
- Wine and gourmet dining experiences
- Underground wine cellar (house wines included, cellar wines excluded in rate)

## ACTIVITIES



### Included Experiences

- Twice-daily guided game drives in open safari vehicles
- Guided bush walks with experienced qualified field guide and trackers
- Wildlife and bird watching
- Sundowners in the bush

### Optional Activities (Additional Cost)

- Travelling spa with in-room treatments
- Hot air balloon excursions over the Lowveld
- Blyde River Canyon boat cruises
- Elephant interaction experiences
- Heli flips over canyon with/without picnic on the mountain

## LOCATION



Shumbalala Game Lodge is located within the Greater Kruger National Park, in the renowned Thornybush Private Nature Reserve, where wildlife roams freely. The lodge is beautifully set along the seasonal Monwana River, surrounded by pristine bushveld.

## ACCESSABILITY



- Closest airport is Hoedspruit Airport 30km (recommended)
- Alternative airport is Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport (KMIA) 170km
- Charters or lodge hops with Federal Air to airfields on the reserve
- Road transfers can be arranged at additional fee

## WILDLIFE & NATURE



**Located in the Greater Kruger National park in the Thornybush Private Nature Reserve, the lodge offers excellent opportunities to see:**

- The Big Five (lion, leopard, elephant, rhino, buffalo)
- Large variety of plains game
- Diverse birdlife
- Nocturnal wildlife during evening drives

## WHY CHOOSE SHUMBALALA GAME LODGE



- Exclusive boutique safari experience
- Only a handful of suites, ensuring exceptional privacy
- Prime Big Five game viewing area
- Expert field guides and trackers
- Luxurious suites with private plunge pools
- Personalised service and gourmet dining
- Authentic safari atmosphere on the banks of the seasonal Monwana River
- Ideal for luxury safari travellers
- Perfect for honeymooners
- Suited to couples and small groups
- Excellent for wildlife and photography enthusiasts
- Appeals to repeat safari guests seeking an intimate lodge experience
- Available for exclusive-use bookings

## CONTACT DETAILS



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