



Welgevonden Game Reserve Partners with Unique Air to Launch Shuttle Charter Flights from Johannesburg

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Welgevonden Game Reserve and Unique Air have announced a landmark partnership to introduce shuttle charter flights directly from Johannesburg's OR Tambo International Airport (ORTIA) to the reserve's private landing strip. Beginning 1 December 2025, the new service will be available three times a week, offering travelers a seamless and time-efficient way to reach one of South Africa's premier Big 5 safari destinations.

Flights will operate on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, with arrivals and departures around midday to coincide with lodge check-in and check-out times. Guests receive dedicated check-in at ORTIA B12, VIP meet-and-greet service, and access to the Bidvest Lounge. Bookings are done directly with participating lodges in Welgevonden Game Reserve or with Unique Air.

Less time commuting for a superior safari experience

The new service removes the need for lengthy road transfers or extra connections, allowing guests more time in the bush. Travelers arriving in Johannesburg can now connect directly from OR Tambo, enhancing South Africa's appeal as a top safari destination.

"This partnership allows our guests to begin their safari adventure the moment they touch down in Johannesburg," said Neil Davison, Chief Operating Officer of Welgevonden Game Reserve. "By offering an easy, luxurious transfer option to Welgevonden, we're enhancing the guest experience and positioning the reserve as a top-tier safari and wilderness destination."

A boon for lodges and the tourism trade

Welgevonden Game Reserve offers a variety of luxury lodges catering to every guest, making it an excellent destination for tailored safari adventures. The launch of this new charter service will make the reserve even more accessible and is expected to boost international guest numbers.

"Unique Air is proud to collaborate with Welgevonden Game Reserve in supporting South Africa's tourism sector," said Unique Air spokesperson and Reservations Director, Gillian Parrock. "We've designed this shuttle service to delight travelers on their journey to the Waterberg bushveld. By providing an alternative to long road shuttles and exhausting travel itineraries, we believe the Unique Air Welgevonden Shuttle Service will contribute to the broader growth of the local tourism economy."

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The Unique Air shuttle flights to the Welgevonden Game Reserve commence on 1 December 2025 and will be available for booking from participating lodges or directly via Unique Air.

About Welgevonden Game Reserve

[Welgevonden Game Reserve](#) is a private, malaria-free Big 5 reserve in the Waterberg Biosphere, Limpopo, South Africa. Spanning 37,500 hectares, it is home to a diverse range of species, pristine landscapes, and a selection of world-class luxury safari lodges. Welgevonden is recognised for its commitment to conservation, sustainability, and delivering immersive safari experiences.

About Unique Air

[Unique Air](#) is a premium charter operator offering tailored air travel solutions across Southern Africa. With a focus on safety, service, and convenience, Unique Air provides both private and scheduled charter options, connecting travellers to some of the region's most sought-after destinations.

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