



# SHIMUNGWE LODGE

## Property Overview

Nestled on a curve of the seasonal Timbavati River in the Greater Kruger National Park region, Shimungwe Lodge is an intimate and secluded safari lodge offering relaxed, all-inclusive family safaris and exclusive bush getaways.

Originally a private residence reserved for invited guests, the lodge retains a warm and exclusive atmosphere while providing exceptional hospitality, outstanding wildlife viewing, and immersive safari experiences. Guests can enjoy Big Five sightings, excellent birding, and scenic views of the surrounding bushveld from the lodge and private suites.

With only four suites accommodating a maximum of eight guests, Shimungwe Lodge offers a personalised safari experience with attentive service and a tranquil setting.

## Property Fact Sheet



## KEY FACTS



Property Type .....	Safari Lodge
Rating .....	Premium 4-Star
Atmosphere .....	Relaxed, home-style safari atmosphere
View .....	Elevated viewing area for wildlife viewing
Dining .....	Pool and traditional boma dining
Location .....	Thornybush Nature Reserve, Greater Kruger National Park, Limpopo, South Africa
Number of Rooms .....	4 Suites
Maximum Guests .....	8 Guests
Check-in .....	14:00
Check-out .....	11:00
Parking .....	Available at no additional fee
Languages .....	English, Afrikaans
Special Interests .....	Big 5 Safaris, Birding, Nature, Relaxation, Star Gazing, Flora & Wildlife, Photography
Accessibility .....	Hoedspruit Airport 21km (closest and recommended); Nelspruit Airport 141km; Private and chartered flights such as Federal Air
Road transfers .....	Available by arrangement at additional cost
Conservation levies .....	R330 per person, per day (2026)

## ACCOMMODATION



Two L-shaped buildings, each accommodating separate private en-suite rooms, ideal to use as family rooms (entrance doors not interleading but relatively close together)

### Standard Suites | 4 Rooms

**Each suite is designed to provide comfort, privacy, and stunning bush views.**

Features include:

- Kromadek roofs with interior ceilings
- Fully air-conditioned rooms
- Ceiling fans
- Generous en-suite bathrooms
- Twin beds that can convert to Super King beds, extra length and extra depth
- Unique outdoor showers
- Private decks with daybeds
- Individually decorated interiors
- Positioned for maximum privacy
- Large windows for natural light and river views
- The suites overlook the seasonal Timbavati River and waterhole, allowing guests to enjoy wildlife sightings from their rooms and private decks

## FACILITIES



- Swimming pool
- Communal lounge
- Game viewing deck overlooking seasonal river and waterhole
- Indoor and outdoor dining areas
- Firepit/boma for evening gatherings
- Casual self help, honesty bar
- Complimentary Wi-Fi

## DINING



### Exceptional Cuisine

**Shimungwe Lodge offers exceptional cuisine inspired by local flavours and fresh ingredients.**

Dining options (included in rate):

- Indoor dining
- Al fresco meals under the African sky
- Traditional bush dinners around the fire
- Light refreshments during game drives
- Bush breakfasts experience
- Kitchen can cater for gluten-free, kosher-style, non life-threatening nut allergies
- Kitchen is unable to cater for celiac, kosher or severe nut allergies or any dietaries that require sterilized environments

## BAR



- Casual self-help, honesty bar
- Softs drinks, beers, spirits and house wines are included in the rate
- Imported beers, spirits and other wine excluded

## CHILDREN POLICY



- Children of all ages welcome
- An extra bed will be provided to accommodate children sharing with parents
- No babysitting options available
- Children under 6 are not permitted on game drives unless exclusive use is taken
- Children under 16 are not allowed on game walks

## ACTIVITIES



### Safari Activities (included in rate)

#### Game Drives

- The highlight of any stay at Shimungwe Lodge is the twice-daily guided safari experience
- Game drives are timed to maximise wildlife viewing opportunities

#### Morning Game Drive

- Early wake-up call
- Coffee, tea and rusks served on the deck
- Depart in open safari vehicles with professional guides and trackers

#### Afternoon & Evening Game Drive

- Afternoon light lunch before departure
- Sunset drive extending into the evening
- Opportunity to spot nocturnal wildlife using spotlights

### Other On Site Activities

- Birdwatching
- Photography
- Guided game walks by prior arrangements (at an additional fee for 2026 only)
- Relaxation at the lodge pool and deck
- Spa treatments - travelling spa (on request at additional cost, when available)

### Activities Nearby

- Elephant interaction
- Helicopter flips
- Blyde Canyon boat cruise
- Panorama route

## LOCATION



Shimungwe Lodge is situated within the Greater Kruger National Park in the Thornybush Private Nature Reserve, South Africa, allowing free roaming of animals across this protected conservation area. The reserve is renowned for exceptional wildlife sightings, including the Big Five, and offers a diverse natural landscape of bushveld and riverine vegetation.

## WILDLIFE & NATURE



### Guests may encounter:

- The Big Five (Lion, Leopard, Elephant, Rhino, Buffalo)
- Diverse plains game
- Rich birdlife

## PERFECTLY SUITED FOR



- Couples seeking a romantic safari
- Families looking for an intimate wildlife experience
- Small groups
- Exclusive-use bookings
- Nature lovers and birding enthusiasts
- Incentive getaways

## CONTACT DETAILS



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