



FACT SHEET





INTRODUCTION

Africa on Foot Wilderness Trails is a one-of-a-kind mobile safari experience in South Africa. This is one for the adventurers and nature lovers who are looking for a walking safari experience like no other. A sister camp to Klaserie's Africa on Foot, Wilderness Trails is designed to offer 3 nights camping in the Maseke Balule Game Reserve, each night in a different location.

Each day is spent walking through the 8000 hectare reserve in the Greater Kruger Park, and each night is spent at a new, fully set up mobile campsite in a scenic location in the wilderness. A maximum of 8 guests (sleeping in 4 tents) are taken on the Kruger walking adventure of a lifetime. A professional Africa on Foot trained guide and tracker team will lead an informative, thrilling, and unforgettable walk in the wild.

While guests are out exploring the Kruger on foot, a ground team will be taking down the first camp and setting up the next one in a new location. A packed brunch will be enjoyed in the bush, while snacks and refreshments will be on offer upon arrival at camp. Evening game drives complete the experience, before campfire dinners and bed in a canvas dome tent.

AT A GLANCE

- Exclusive mobile safari in the Greater Kruger's Maseke Balule Game Reserve
- 3 Nights camping in different locations, each day walking new ground
- 8000 Hectares of free-roaming Kruger traverse from mountainous terrain to Olifants River

- Canvas dome tents (each sleeping 2 people), individual bucket showers and chemical toilets
- Morning and afternoon walking trails, with brunch and siesta in the bush
- Evening game drives with sundowners in the Maseke Balule Reserve
- New campsite in a new location, set up prior to arrival, every afternoon
- Professional Trails Guide and Tracker conduct two walking trails per day
- Morning walk 3-4 hours, afternoon walk 2-3 hours, arrive at camp +-15h00
- Environmentally friendly, pack up and go safari camping experience

FACILITIES

- 4 Canvas dome tents each sleeping 2 people on swags/mattresses
- En suite bucket showers and chemical toilet facilities
- Standing hand basins renewed each morning and afternoon with warm water
- Central mess tent for kitchen and dining
- Campfire in the evenings
- Solar powered lanterns in the camp and one supplied per tent
- Light breakfast in the morning before departure, packed brunch to be enjoyed in the bush, snacks provided in the afternoon before 3-course dinner at night
- Game viewer for evening safaris and transfers in and out of the reserve

ACTIVITIES

- Full-day guided walking safaris in the Maseke Balule Reserve, Greater Kruger - 3-4 hour



morning walk, brunch in the bush, followed by 2-3 hour afternoon walk

- Evening game drives in the 8000 hectare Maseke Balule Reserve
- Birdwatching
- Stargazing

A TYPICAL DAY AT AFRICA ON FOOT WILDERNESS TRAILS

Departure times for walking safaris depends on the weather and seasons. Summer time walks will depart earlier, while winter time departures will be later. A general summary of a day's activity is as follows:

05h30 – Wake up to coffee and rusks, and kit up in walking gear. Start walk.

09h00 – Rest stop and breakfast. Continue with walk.

12h00 – Drive to next camp, where lunch will be served. Settle into camp life.

15h00 – The afternoon activity will be discussed - it will either be another walking expedition, game drive or combination of both.

19h00 – Return to camp, enjoy refreshments around the fire before dinner is served.

LOCATION

Africa on Foot Wilderness Trails is located in the Maseke Balule Game Reserve in the Greater Kruger, situated between Hoedspruit and Phalaborwa in Limpopo Province. It is an 8000 hectare private game reserve, which shares open borders with the Kruger National Park.

The Olifants River courses through the reserve, while

prominent mountainous ridges and boulder koppies characterise the terrain, making it an incredibly diverse and interesting region to explore on foot.

CHILD POLICY

Children 12 years and older are welcome to join Africa on Foot Wilderness Trails.

TRAIL CLOSURE

Please note that the Trail is closed annually from the 1 December to 31 March of each year.

RATES INCLUDE

Accommodation; private chef; professional trails guide and tracker; all food and snacks, full day walking safari and evening game drive; transfers between Three Bridges and the camp.

RATES EXCLUDE

All soft drinks and alcoholic drinks and extra activities are excluded.

GENERAL TRAVEL INFORMATION

Weather

The average mean rainfall for the year is 350mm, with most rainfall occurring during mid-summer (November - February). The rainfall generally occurs in the form of thunderstorms where a downpour is experienced, very seldom lasting longer than a few hours.

The average maximum temperatures range from 24°C in July to 31°C in January with the average minimum occurring in July at a temperature of 8.5°C.



WILDLIFE

Mammals

Some of the world's largest mammals find their home in South Africa, where elephant, giraffe, hippo, buffalo, and rhino reside in the wild Kruger Park and surrounding private game reserves. Game drives lead to unforgettable sightings of these large species, in addition to general game, such as zebra, impala, kudu, gnu, waterbuck, bushbuck, duiker, and steenbok, while nyala are frequent visitors to the camp itself.

Predators

Following in the footsteps of the herbivorous mammals are the carnivorous species of the South African bush. Lion, leopard, hyena, cheetah, African wild dog, and the Nile crocodile are some of the prominent predators residing in the Kruger. Smaller predators include jackal, mongoose, civet, and genet, honey badger, among others.

Birdlife

The Kruger habitat accommodates a complete smorgasbord of birder's delights. Water birds such

as herons, storks, plovers, spoonbills, and sandpipers are common along dam edges; kingfishers, orioles, robins, chats, larks, cisticolas, and coucals are some of the veld and woodland birds around; while birds of prey are seen and heard throughout the day.

Malaria

Before travelling, guests are encouraged to consult their local doctors on anti-malarial medication and preparation, however a repellent stick or spray is effective and should be utilised.

WHAT TO PACK

Throughout the year, we recommend packing lightweight, neutral-coloured clothing with short and long sleeves. Walking safaris will require good walking shoes, long trousers, and a suitable backpack to carry water and sun block, among other essentials. Guests should pack sun protection in the form of sun block, sun hats, and glasses, while scarfs, jackets and gloves are needed for evening game drives during winter months.

Bring along cameras, binoculars and recording gadgets to keep a record of the many wildlife sightings. All camping gear will be provided, but guests should bring along a torch, insect repellent, or any other personal items that might be of interest in a camping environment.

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