



The Sabi Sand Private Game Reserve is the ideal place to experience an incredible African safari and is undoubtedly the most exclusive private game reserve in South Africa. With breathtaking scenery, affordable and luxury accommodation and lodging, rich biodiversity and amazing wildlife encounters, Sabi Sand is the ultimate safari destination.

Sabi Sands is the ideal destination for your Honeymoon. Various luxury lodges have a romantic atmosphere and offer complete privacy.

There are also various family and child friendly accommodation and lodging available in Sabi Sand. These lodges offer lodging and activities suitable for the whole family.

Location

The 65,000-hectare Sabi Sands Game Reserve is located on the south-western corner of the Kruger National Park

The Reserve is adjacent to the Kruger National Park and consists of various private game reserves.

There are no restricting fences between the Kruger Park and Sabi Sands Reserve and the wildlife roams freely between the two game reserves. Two perennial rivers, the Sabi and the Sand flow through this Game Park, sustaining the diverse fauna and flora of the area, which enjoys one of the highest and most bio-diverse wildlife populations of any area in Africa. Such is the integrity of the environment that there is consistently a year round population of animals that remain within the area. There is limited migration between this, the Sabi Sand Game Reserve and the Kruger National Park, ensuring genetic diversity with an integrated biodiversity within the entire 2, 7 million hectare protected area. This area is in the process of being further enlarged within the Peace Park concept and integration and the joining with protected areas in Mozambique and eventually Zimbabwe.

The Sabi Sand Game Reserve dates back to the 1950's when the landowners initiated the dropping of the internal fences and the sharing of a common environmental management programme. This association is administered by a Warden who reports to the Park Management Committee. Prior to this, there were a number of landowner pioneers in the 1920' and 1930's who initiated the conservation of the area's wildlife. Today there are no less than six of these families who are now third and fourth generation landowners - a credit to the foresight of their forefathers who loved and cared for Africa's dwindling wildlife. Their legacy is possibly the best area in which to view southern Africa's extensive biodiversity.

Due to considerate game viewing practises where clients remain within the 'profile' of the open vehicles and the animals have priority, the trackers and game rangers of the various Lodges are able to offer exceptional game viewing of all the general game species, as well as the high profile animals. The success of viewing leopard within this area is legendary and allowing sufficient time in this area, such animals as elephant, lion, rhino, leopard, buffalo, cheetah, giraffe, zebra and a vast variety of antelope and other species, may be closely observed within their own ranges. This greater area is home to 336 tree, 49 fish, 34 amphibian, 114 reptile, 507 bird and 147 mammal species. Many of the animals would most likely have never encountered a fence as they exist, free ranging, in this corner of Africa.

Leopards are a main attraction of the Sabi Sands Game Reserve and are so accustomed to cars that they do not take much notice of them. Even when hunting, a leopard in the Sabi Sands will not mind a vehicle following it, even if this means following it off-road through the bush. Some of the best and most exclusive private game lodges in the country are in the Sabi Sands Game Reserve and the chances of seeing the Big 5 (lion, leopard, buffalo, elephant and rhino) are excellent.

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