



# DE KLERK SAFARIS

Experience the Kalahari



# Introduction

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At **De Klerk Safaris**, growth and passion go hand in hand. In our continued journey to create exceptional hunting experiences, we recently made several exciting changes. After selling our property in the west, we invested in neighboring ranches nestled in a region blessed with higher rainfall and richer biodiversity.

These new additions have expanded our home ground to an impressive **17,578 hectares (43,436 acres)** of pristine wilderness.

As both **landowners and safari outfitters**, we take great pride in personally managing our land and wildlife, ensuring every guest enjoys an authentic, ethical, and unforgettable safari.

Beyond our own properties, **De Klerk Safaris** holds access and hunting rights to a range of outstanding concessions across **Southern Africa**.

This allows us to offer an exceptional variety of game species and landscapes — from open savannas to dense bushveld — all showcasing the true spirit of African adventure.

At the heart of De Klerk Safaris lies a **family legacy built on respect for nature, wildlife, and our guests**.

Every safari is more than a hunt — it's an experience of connection, conservation, and the timeless beauty of Africa. Our commitment to sustainable hunting and warm hospitality ensures that every guest arrives as a client and leaves as a lifelong friend.





# Accommodation

## Wilzenau Lodge

We have upgraded our lodge and can now accommodate up to **14 guests** in total comfort and style. The lodge consists of **five bedrooms with en-suite bathrooms** and **two deluxe rooms**, each designed to provide the perfect blend of luxury and African charm.

De Klerk Safaris offers **five-star accommodation** with the following features:

- Spacious, **air-conditioned rooms**
- **Daily laundry service**
- **Fully stocked bar**
- **Swimming pool**
- **Spa services** for relaxation after a day in the bush
- **Wood-fired hot tubs**, offering a unique, tranquil bathing experience under the African sky
- **Dining room and fireplace** for cozy evenings
- **Complimentary Wi-Fi** available throughout the lodge

Whether you're sharing stories around the fire, enjoying a sunset drink at the pool, or unwinding in your private room, **Wilzenau Lodge** promises an unforgettable stay filled with **warm hospitality, comfort, and African elegance**.





# General information

## Travel

All clients travel to **Johannesburg, South Africa**, the gateway to your African safari adventure. From the **United States**, there are **daily direct flights** to Johannesburg from **Atlanta** and **New York**. From **Europe**, daily flights are available from most major cities, offering convenient connections to South Africa. From Johannesburg, guests have the option of traveling to the ranch by **road transfer** or **private air charter**.



**De Klerk Safaris** is approximately a **seven-hour drive** by road or a **one-and-a-half-hour flight** by light charter aircraft. For guests choosing to fly, **De Klerk Safaris** has a **registered private airstrip** located on the property — just **five minutes from the lodge**. Visitors from **America, Canada, Argentina**, and most **European countries** do **not require a visa** to enter South Africa. A **valid passport** is sufficient, but please ensure it contains **at least two blank pages** and remains **valid for at least six months** after the completion of your safari.

Our team will gladly assist in arranging your **transfers or charter flights**, ensuring a **smooth, safe, and comfortable journey** from your arrival in Johannesburg to the warm welcome awaiting you at **De Klerk Safaris**.

## Hunting Season

**De Klerk Safaris** operates hunting safaris **throughout the year**, with **peak season** running from **March to October** — the South African fall through spring. During this period, the **weather is mild and comfortable**, with **little to no rainfall**, creating ideal hunting conditions. Daytime temperatures range between **60°F and 85°F (15°C to 30°C)**, while evenings are cooler, averaging **32°F to 60°F (0°C to 15°C)**. These months offer **clear skies, excellent visibility**, and the best opportunities to experience the African bush at its most vibrant and rewarding.

## Health & Safety

**De Klerk Safaris** is located in a **completely malaria-free area**, ensuring guests can enjoy their safari in comfort and safety. Excellent **medical facilities** and **private doctors** are readily available nearby, and our own **registered airstrip** allows for immediate air evacuation in the unlikely event of an emergency. South Africa's **winter months (April to August)** are cool and dry, and **snake activity is extremely rare** during this period as most species go into hibernation. All **hunting vehicles are equipped with medical first-aid kits**, and our professional staff are trained to handle any emergency situation with care and efficiency. Your **safety and well-being** are our top priorities. All ranches operated by **De Klerk Safaris** are situated in a **very secure and peaceful area** — so much so that we don't even lock the lodge, houses, or vehicles at night.



# Photo Safaris & Adventure Tours

**De Klerk Safaris** offers unforgettable **photo safaris and adventure tours** throughout Southern Africa – customized to match each group's unique interests, schedule, and level of adventure.

Photo safaris can be arranged **in conjunction with a hunting safari** or as a **stand-alone photographic experience**. Whether your passion is wildlife, culture, landscapes, or relaxation, **De Klerk Safaris** can create the perfect itinerary for you.



## Some of the Experiences Southern Africa Has to Offer

- **Wildlife tours and expeditions** across diverse habitats
- **Bushman rock paintings** dating back over 15,000 years
- **Wine tours** through renowned vineyards and estates
- **Scenic experiences** featuring mountains, rivers, lakes, beaches, deserts, and lush jungles
- **Expeditions** into neighboring countries for extended adventures
- **Annual spring flower displays** in Namaqualand
- **Big Five game viewing** in some of Africa's most famous reserves
- **Fishing excursions** – deep sea, freshwater, and fly fishing
- **Hiking and mountain biking** trails for outdoor enthusiasts
- **Quad bike adventures** through rugged African landscapes
- **Scuba diving and snorkeling** in pristine coastal waters
- **Shopping experiences** for diamonds, tanzanite, curios, and African crafts
- **Seasonal wildlife migrations** and photographic opportunities
- **Spa and beauty treatments**, including massages, facials, and manicures
- **Horseback safaris** and **golf tours**
- **Archaeological and historical sites** for culture lovers
- **Cultural experiences** – discover Africa's diverse tribes, traditions, and cuisine
- **Elephant-back safaris** for a once-in-a-lifetime encounter
- **Hot air balloon rides** and **helicopter flights** over breathtaking landscapes
- Visits to **Victoria Falls, Cape Town, the Kalahari Desert, Kruger National Park, and the Okavango Delta**



# Hunting Season

## Firearm Information

### Bringing Your Own Firearm

Hunters are welcome to bring their own rifles to South Africa. Importing firearms is a straightforward process when the necessary documents are prepared in advance.

You will need to complete a **South African Police Service (SAPS 520 Temporary Import Permit)** form, which can be filled out upon arrival at the Johannesburg airport or arranged beforehand through a **firearm import service** for your convenience.

To ensure a smooth entry, please bring:

- A valid **passport** and **return airline ticket**
- A **U.S. Customs Form 4457** (or your country's firearm proof of ownership)
- **Invitation letter** from De Klerk Safaris
- **Proof of firearm ownership (like a firearm license, etc.)**
- Only **up to 200 rounds of ammunition** per firearm (packed separately from the rifle)

Handguns, semi-automatic rifles, and automatic weapons are **not permitted** for hunting in South Africa.

To make the process smooth and hassle-free, **De Klerk Safaris highly recommends staying at Africa Sky Guesthouse** upon your arrival in Johannesburg. Their professional team specializes in assisting international hunters and can help you with:

- **Firearm import permits and documentation**
- **Airport meet-and-greet services**
- **Secure firearm storage** (if needed)
- **Comfortable overnight accommodation** before or after your safari

### Firearm Rental Option

For clients who prefer not to travel with firearms, **De Klerk Safaris offers quality rental rifles** in a variety of calibers suitable for plains game and dangerous game.

All rifles are well-maintained, properly sighted, and fitted with quality optics. Ammunition for rental rifles is available on-site at reasonable cost.

Your **professional hunter** will assist you in selecting the best rifle and caliber for your safari to ensure accuracy, comfort, and confidence in the field.





# Rates & Packages

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## Photo Safaris & Adventure Tours

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### Rates include:

- Airport **pick-up and drop-off**
- All **transportation** during your visit (vehicle and fuel)
- **Cooler** with bottled water, soft drinks, and traditional snacks like *biltong* or jerky
- Full service and knowledge of a **professional guide**
- Your guide's **accommodation and meals**
- **Insurance coverage** up to \$1 million
- All **park and game reserve entrance fees**
- Occasional traditional **South African braai (barbeque)** meals when possible

### Rates exclude:

- **Airfare** and charter flights
- **Hotel or lodge accommodation**
- **Meals and alcoholic beverages**
- Optional **excursions** (hot air balloon, helicopter rides, sunset cruises, night drives, etc.)
- **Value Added Tax (VAT)** of 15% on daily rates
- **Gratuities** for camp or hotel staff and your guide

## Hunting Safaris

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### Rates include:

- **Hunting nightly rates** and package hunts **include:**
- The **full time service of a Professional Hunter and camp staff** including trackers, skinners, cooks and camp assistants
- **Accommodation and full catering**
- **Daily laundry**
- **All transportation costs** during the safari with fully equipped four wheel drive vehicles
- **Field preparation and salting of trophies**
- **Local soft drinks, beer and alcoholic beverages** in moderation

### Rates exclude:

#### **Hunting nightly rates** and package hunt **exclude:**

- **Accommodation** prior to and after the safari
- **Air charter fees**
- **Transportation costs from airport** to the hunting area. (Johannesburg - \$450 per vehicle one way) Minibus with transfer company \$900 one way
- **Trophy fees** of species taken. All animals wounded and lost will be paid in full plus 15% Value Added Tax. Trophies exported have 0% VAT
- **Transportation of raw trophies** to Johannesburg - \$300 per group
- **Dipping, packing and shipping** of trophies to final destination
- **CITES licence fees and permit fees** where applicable
- **Specially requested imported food and drinks**
- **Cost of telephone calls** made by client
- **Value Added Tax** on the daily rates only (No VAT on trophy fees)
- **Gratuities** of Professional Hunter and all the staff



# Clothing & Equipment

At **De Klerk Safaris**, laundry is done **daily**, so there's **no need to overpack**.

When selecting clothing for your safari, we recommend **darker, natural colors** such as **dark green, olive, brown, dark khaki, or grey**.

**Camouflage clothing** is permitted in South Africa.

Please **avoid light khaki or white clothing** while hunting, as light colors make movement more visible to animals in the bush.



## Suggested Packing List

### For Hunters

- **3–4 sets** of hunting clothes in dark colors (dark green, olive, brown, or dark khaki)
- **Light jacket or fleece** for cool mornings and evenings
- **Warm jacket** (especially for winter months, April–August)
- **Comfortable, broken-in hunting boots**
- **Lightweight shoes** or sandals for around the lodge
- **Hat or cap** for sun protection
- **Gloves** (optional, for cool weather or bush protection)
- **Binoculars**
- **Camera or video equipment**
- **Ammunition** (if bringing your own firearm; check airline regulations)
- **Soft rifle case** for use in hunting vehicles
- **Hearing protection**
- **Small backpack or daypack**

### For Non-Hunters / Companions

- **Casual safari clothing** in neutral tones
- **Comfortable walking shoes** or sandals
- **Swimwear** for the pool or spa
- **Light jacket or sweater** for cooler evenings
- **Sunscreen, lip balm, and insect repellent**
- **Sunglasses and hat**
- **Camera or binoculars** for game viewing and photography
- **Book or journal** for relaxing downtime

### Travel Essentials

- **Passport** (valid for at least 6 months beyond travel dates, with 2 blank pages)
- **Travel insurance documents**
- **Flight itinerary and transfer details**
- **Prescription medications** (in original packaging)
- **Charging cables and adaptors** (South Africa uses 220V power, plug type M)
- **Personal toiletries** (basic amenities provided at the lodge)

### Tip:

Laundry is done **daily**, so packing **light and practical** will make travel easier. Neutral colors blend best with the bush environment and help ensure a more successful and comfortable safari.



# Photo Safaris Gallery





# Hunting Safaris Gallery





# References

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