



RATES 2010 - 2013



# ELEPHANT BACK SAFARIS

A once in a lifetime safari adventure - at one with nature, following in the footsteps of the ancients...

Departing from our new Day Centre, we offer you the exhilarating experience of riding these magnificent animals. Revel in the natural beauty of the environs and its wildlife from your lofty seat as these gentle giants amble through the African bush.

After the ride, walk with them through the diverse valley bushveld, ravine and forest habitat. At the conclusion of the walk enjoy rewarding the elephants with their favorite treats.



## WHAT TO BRING

We recommend that you note the following in order to maximise your comfort during your safari

- ❖ Sunglasses
- ❖ Sun hat
- ❖ Long trousers / slacks
- ❖ Good walking shoes (running / tennis shoes are suitable)
- ❖ Warm jacket for the winter months (May to September)
- ❖ Light rain gear for summer months (October to April)
- ❖ Cameras
- ❖ BINOCULARS - ESSENTIAL
- ❖ Suntan lotion & sun block



## ELEPHANT BACK SAFARI RATES

**Includes:** Ride, walk, feeding the elephants, a meal, tea, coffee and bottled water

**Times:** 08h00, 11h00 and 15h00 **Duration:** ±3 hrs

MAY 2010 - APR 2011

 R 875 per person

MAY 2011 - APR 2012

 R 875 per person

MAY 2012 - APR 2013

 R 875 per person



# ELEPHANT SAFARI LODGE

The Lodges are perfectly designed to blend discreetly into their surrounding valley bushveld environment.

The private and exclusive suites, some nestled in the Yellowwood forest and others set on the hillside offering extraordinary views, are housed on elevated wooden decks. Constructed of part canvas, part recycled Brazilian pine and luxuriously decorated to evoke Hemingway's Africa of yesteryear, we invite you to relax in our remarkably spacious, sophisticated suites.

With the completion of our Day Centre we are able to ensure undisturbed exclusivity to all our lodge guests.

*Stay at least 2 nights  
there's so much to do!*

#### Lodge activities include:

*Included in the Rate*

- ❖ Sunset Elephant Encounters
- ❖ Elephant Back Rides
- ❖ Elephant Walks
- ❖ Game Drives on our property
- ❖ Game Walks on our property
- ❖ Medicinal Plant Walks
- ❖ Bushman's Cave Guided Walk
- ❖ Hillside Sundowners
- ❖ Candle Lit Bush Dinners

In between activities, your time is filled with soaking up the sun on your private deck, relaxing in your own spa bath and enjoying sumptuous cuisine at the elephant's favourite waterhole.

#### Off property activities include:

*Not included in the Rate*

- ❖ Addo Elephant National Park Fly-in Day Trip
- ❖ Exclusive Private Big 5 Game Concession Fly-in Day Trip
- ❖ Sunshine Coast Scenic Flight
- ❖ Historical Karoo Day Trip

## ELEPHANT SAFARI LODGE RATES

**Includes:** All meals, tea, coffee and bottled water, an elephant back safari, all lodge activities and an elephant bedtime encounter

**Single Supplement:** +50%

**Child Policy:** Children 12 years and younger 50% off. Children 3 years and younger no charge

WINTER	1 May 2012 – 30 September 2012	1 May 2013 – 30 September 2013
<b>Book one night stay one FREE</b> * Excludes transfers	<b>R2 450</b> per person sharing	<b>R2 450</b> per person sharing
SUMMER	1 October 2012 – 30 April 2013	1 October 2013 – 30 April 2014
<b>Book 2 nights or more – Transfers FREE</b> * Road transfer to lodge and scenic flight out.	<b>R2 450</b> per person sharing per night	<b>R2 450</b> per person sharing per night





# ROAD & AIR TRANSFERS

We highly recommend that guests make use of either our air or road transfer option to reach the Lodge

Our in-house transfer company offers fully guided road and air transfers, an ideal opportunity to sit back, relax and take in the spectacular scenery and history the Eastern Cape has on offer. For a memorable journey, why not combine a flight one way and a road transfer the other? We offer transfers from Addo, Port Elizabeth, Plettenberg Bay and Cape Town.

## TRANSFERS RATES FOR DAY GUESTS (RETURN)

For day guests air or road transfers are available on request at an additional cost and can be arranged through our reservations office.

MAR 2012 - AUG 2012	
	R 500 per person
	R 1275 per person

**Road Departure Times:** ± 1 hour driving time  
06h45, 09h45, 13h45 from the Wine Bar in Addo

**Air Departure Times:** ± 20 min flying time  
07h30, 10h30, 14h30 from Hitgeheim Country Lodge

## TRANSFER RATES FOR LODGE GUESTS

Staying two nights or more in high season qualifies lodge guests for a complimentary road transfer into the lodge and an air transfer out.



**15h00:** Depart Wine Bar - Addo ±1 hour driving time

**10h00:** Depart the Lodge by Air ± 20 min flying time




*Non-scheduled departures can be arranged, refer to rate table*

Please enquire about discounted group rates

## ROAD TRANSFER RATES - PER PERSON ONE WAY

Departing	2 Persons	Driving Time
Addo Office	R 500	1 hour 
Port Elizabeth	R 800	1 h 30 min 

## AIR TRANSFER RATES - PER PERSON ONE WAY

Departing	2 Persons	Flying Time
Addo Office	R 658	15 min 
Port Elizabeth	R 1 880	20 min 
Plettenberg Bay	R 5 270	50 min 

*Rates are subject to change without notice*

# DIRECTIONS

## From Port Elizabeth to our Addo Transfer Office (*Recommended*)

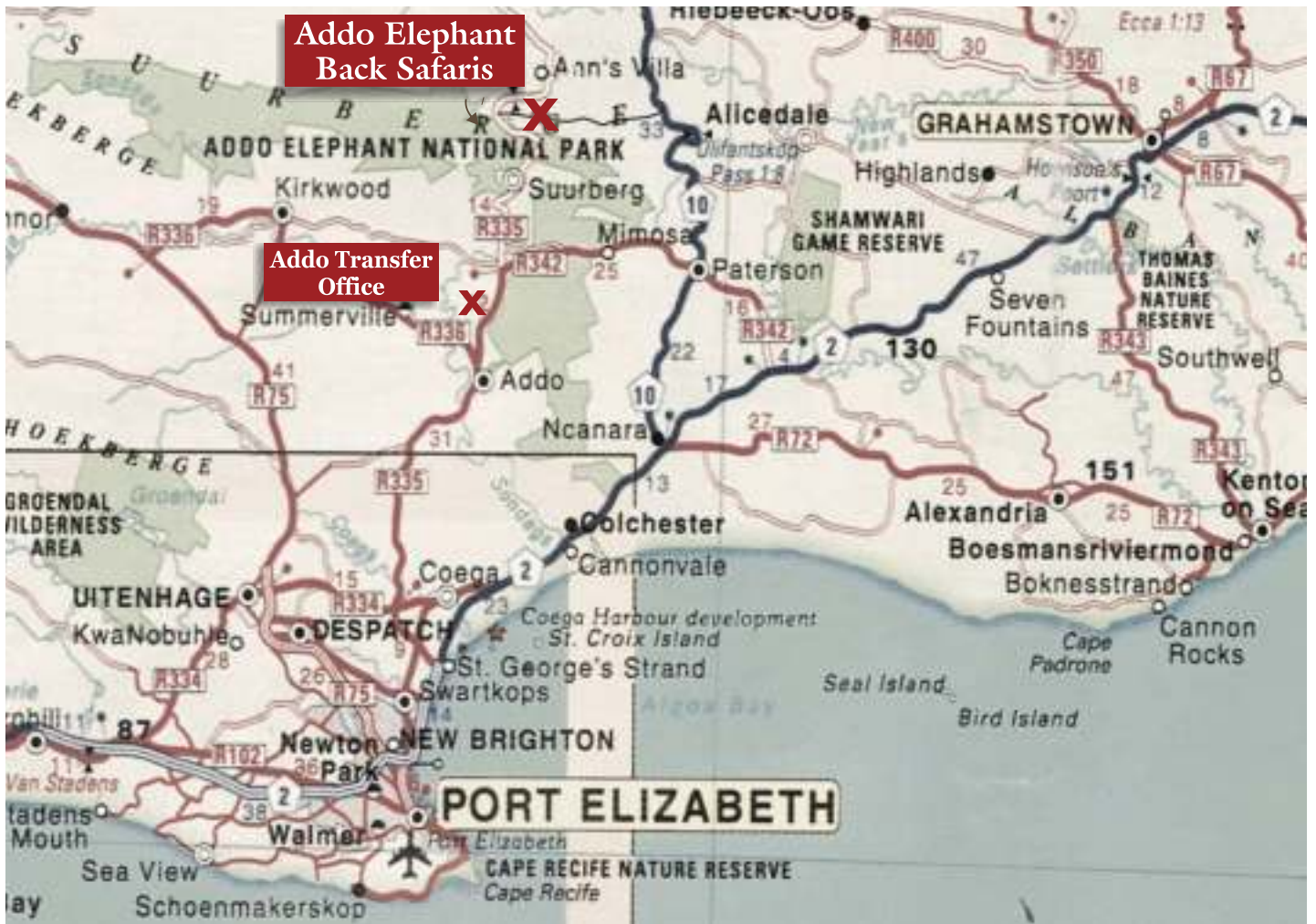
Take the N2 (North). Turn left onto the R335. Signage indicates Motherwell/Addo Elephant National Park. Proceed for 45 km to the town of Addo. Continue through the town for a further 5 km to our transfer office which is on your left collocated with The Wine Bar. ± 1 hour travelling time.

## From Port Elizabeth to the Lodge (*Self-Drive – not recommended – rough gravel road*)

Take the N2 (North). Turn left onto the R335. Signage indicates Motherwell/Addo Elephant National Park. Proceed for 45 km to the town of Addo. Continue through the town for a further 12 km and turn left onto the R335 Zuurberg Pass Road (*gravel road*). Proceed up the pass for 15 km you will reach Zuurberg Mountain Inn. Continue past the Inn, down the pass for a further 17 km (*rough gravel road*). Follow the signs to Addo Elephant Back Safaris & Lodge. ± 2.5 hours travelling time.

## From Port Elizabeth to Airfield located at Hitgeheim Country Lodge

Take the N2 (North). Turn left onto the R335. Signage indicates Motherwell/Addo Elephant National Park. Proceed for 45 km to the town of Addo. Continue through the town for a further 3 km turn left onto the R336 to Kirkwood. Continue along R336 for 9 km, turn left at Hitgeheim Country Lodge signboard (*gravel road*). Travel for 2.5 km, turn left at main entrance gate and follow deliveries signs to the airfield.





# FACT SHEET

## Terms and conditions included

### ROOMS

We have ten unique spacious luxury units constructed out of a combination of canvas and wood. Each unit has the following features:

- En suite bathroom with a spacious shower, twin hand basins, dressing table with large mirror, gas heater, separate toilet
- Both indoor and outdoor showers
- Two-way radio communication
- Dressing gowns and slippers
- King- or twin-bedded options both equipped with electric blankets
- Energy efficient wood burning fireplace
- Solar powered hot water geyser
- Well stocked mini bar
- Tea and coffee making facility
- Hairdryers
- Large glass sliding doors opening onto the deck (No nasty zips)
- Generously sized, wooden deck with private spa bath
- Private viewing deck
- 220V electricity
- In-room safes
- Overhead fans
- International adaptor plugs available
- For children sharing with their parents, the lodge offers fold-out camping beds

### CHILDREN ARE WELCOME

Children under 3 years of age are accommodated at no charge. Children from 3 to 12 years of age may share with adults at 50 % of the adult rate. Maximum of 2 children per room. Children from 12 years and older, will be charged the full adult rate whether sharing with parents or staying in a separate unit. Baby-sitting facilities are offered at a nominal extra charge. Prior notice to request this service is essential. Game drives and nature walks can be tailor made for children.

### LODGE GRADING

The lodge has been awarded four stars by the Tourism Grading Council of South Africa.

### DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

Please inform the reservations office in advance should any special dietary needs be required.

### BAR

The lodge supplies selected drinks on a complimentary basis. This includes bottled water, non-alcoholic beverages and all our homemade refreshments. Beers, spirits and fine South African wines are available for purchase.

### MOBILE PHONES

There is intermittent signal at the lodge and on the conservancy. We recommend that guests rather switch off their mobile phones and enjoy the tranquility.

### CHECK- IN / CHECK-OUT TIMES

Check-in is from 14h00 and check-out is before 10h00. We will make every effort to accommodate guests that would like to check in or out to suit their further travel arrangements.

### DRIVERS AND GUIDES

Accommodation will be provided at no charge for a guide or driver with a group of ten or more guests, either in camp or in staff quarters at the lodge's discretion and subject to availability. Guests wishing to ensure their guide accompanies them in camp should book a single tent accordingly. The booking will be chargeable at normal rates.

## EMAIL, INTERNET AND TELEVISION

The lodge has a wireless internet connection for the guests' convenience. There are no televisions in the rooms. Guests wishing to watch a sporting event can do so on request.

## EXTRAS

Rates exclude discretionary gratuities, laundry, premium beverages and any other items not listed as inclusive.

## INDEMNITY

On arrival guests are requested to sign our standard indemnity.

## MALARIA

As the Eastern Cape is malaria-free, prophylactics are not necessary.

## MEDICAL CONDITIONS

Prior to arrival, guests should notify the reservations office of any pre-existing medical conditions. This includes any allergies etc.

The reservations office should be informed in advance of any physical disabilities. This is essential as elephant access may not be possible and appropriate accommodation and vehicle seating facilities are limited.

## PAYMENT AND CANCELLATION POLICY

- To secure your booking, payment should be made on receipt of invoice
- 25% of fee if cancellation less than 30 days prior to arrival
- 50% of fee if cancellation less than 15 days prior to arrival
- 100% of fee if cancellation less than 7 days prior to arrival
- Under no circumstances can the lodge refund or transfer unused bed-nights caused by cancellation due to flight or airport delays, sickness and any other unforeseen circumstances.

## CREDIT CARDS

The Lodge accepts American Express, MasterCard, Visa or Diners Club

## RATES

All rates are quoted gross, in Rands and are inclusive of VAT, full board, accommodation, selected beverages, scheduled elephant back safari, game drives and walks and the elephant bedtime encounter. Adult rates are quoted per person per day, sharing in twin or king-size accommodation.

- A single supplement of 50% applies
- 0 - 3 Year old children to share with parents at no extra charge
- 3 - 12 Year old children either sharing a room with their parents or in a separate unit will be charged 50% of the normal rate

## CONDITIONS

Reservations will be released automatically if no payment is made. The lodge is unable to accommodate more than two adults per room. No pets are allowed.

## ACCESSIBILITY

Our Transfer Office with secure guest parking is located just 5 km north of the Addo Village on the R335. We highly recommended that your guests make use of the transfer option, either by air or road, as there is a 30 km stretch of rough gravel road to reach the lodge. Our qualified guides offer a wealth of information about the history and geography of the region.

## TRANSFERS

Complimentary road and air transfers available conditions apply. This is a great opportunity to see the area together with a professional guide. See rate sheet for daily departure times. Non-scheduled road and air transfers are available on request. Our in-house transfer company offers road and air transfer options from our Addo Office, Port Elizabeth, Plettenberg Bay and Cape Town. It is also possible to combine the road and air transfers i.e. Fly one way and drive the other.

## PRIVATE LANDING STRIP

Pilots not employed with our charter company will require prior permission to utilise our landing strip. Runway Information:

- Elevation 2000 ft
- Length 1000 m
- Runway heading: 36/18
- Width: 40 m
- SURFACE : GRASS COMPACTED
- Co-ordinates: S33°17'42" E25°44'06"

## OUR GREEN CODE

*Addo Elephant Safaris and Lodges have an unwavering commitment to preserve and operate within the natural environment. As early as concept-planning we were determined that every effort would be made not to harm the finely-balanced ecosystem within which we are situated, and upon which we depend. Apart from increasingly standard measures such as the use of energy saving light-bulbs, solar-powered geysers and energy efficient wood-burning fireplaces, we have used recycled materials wherever possible in the construction of our Lodges. The pylon supports and large viewing decks of our Lodges are constructed from recycled timber- specifically sourced from the boxwood used by Daimler Chrysler to transport parts for their motor vehicles. In continuation of our commitment to sustainability and environmental friendliness, we have also installed an Eco-Reed Bed Waste Water System to treat all our waste water. This is an extremely efficient natural system that makes the treated water available for other uses – an important factor in the face of ongoing drought and water shortages – a situation that may become a permanent, or at the very least, regular consideration in light of climate change.*