

ROCK LODGE

UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Seven distinctly different habitats • **Big Five** destination with excellent cheetah, white and black rhino, elephant, nyala and lion viewing • **Diverse birdwatching** with approximately 400 different species • Rare Dry Sand Forest is home to the shy suni and red duiker • Largest privately owned population of **nyala** in the world • Proximity to the **Indian Ocean** offers guests a unique opportunity of viewing elephant, turtles, cheetah, whale sharks, rhino and dolphins in one day • Dynamic model in wise land management and wildlife **conservation** • Affords guests an insight into **Zulu culture**, crafts, history, tradition and modern day living • Visits to local communities • Bush breakfasts and romantic bush banquets • **Specialist Safaris:** Birding, Rhino Darting, and Bush Skills Academy • **Phinda Adventures**

LOCATION

Phinda Rock Lodge lies within the 22 000 hectares/ 54 362 acres of Phinda Private Game Reserve, in the Mafucatlana region of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. Phinda neighbours the Greater St Lucia Wetland Park – a World Heritage Site — to the east and is only 30km/ 19 miles due west of the white-fringed beaches of the Indian Ocean

ACCESS

By road: 6 hours from Johannesburg, 3 hours from Durban, 1 1/2 hours from Richards Bay. By air: Federal Air operates a direct return flight daily from Johannesburg International Airport to Phinda. SA Express offer daily scheduled flights

from Johannesburg to Richards Bay. Road transfers from Durban International Airport to Phinda can be arranged. Phinda Airwing can also arrange private charters from anywhere in South Africa directly to Phinda's airstrip.

GUEST ACCOMMODATION

Six exceptional suites perched on the side of a rocky cliff. Each suite has a spacious bedroom with bath, shower, twin hand basins and separate w.c. All suites have their own private sitting area, personal bar, plunge pool and deck offering unrivalled views of spectacular Leopard Rock and the valley below.

GUEST AREAS

The guest dining and sitting areas have imposing fireplaces and open out onto a shaded deck with sweeping views of the Lebombo Mountains and bushveld below and beyond. Guests are welcome to visit the Safari Shop at Mountain Lodge.

SAFARIS

Twice-daily game drives in open 4x4 safari vehicles, nature walks and excellent birding on Phinda Private Game Reserve. Riverboat cruises and canoeing along the Mzinene River. Optional Phinda Adventures, which are available at an additional cost, include breathtaking coastal flights, beach excursions including snorkelling and scuba diving, deep-sea fishing, turtle viewing (season Nov/Dec/Jan), horse riding and cultural visits.

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Number of Suites	6
Maximum Guests	12
Children	Regretfully no
Triples	None
Twin Bed	All convertible to double
Air-conditioning/Heating	Yes
Room Fans	Yes
Plunge Pools	Yes
Indoor Showers	Yes
Outdoor Showers	Yes - 3 suites
Separate w.c	Yes
In Room Safe	Yes
Personal Bars	Yes
Telephone	Yes
Hairdryers	Yes
Laundry Included	Yes
Suitable for disabled guests	No
Distance between Rooms	10 metres/33 ft
Check In	12h00
Check Out	11h00
Airstrip	Yes
Kosher Food	Yes. Prior notice, extra cost
Power	220v AC
Internet Access	No
Private 4x4 safari vehicle	If available, extra cost
Credit Cards	Visa, MasterCard, Diners, Amex
In-Room Massage	Yes

Weather: Subtropical climate with hot, humid, wet summers (September to April) and warm to cool, dry winters (May to August)

Rainfall: Rainfall averages about 1 000mm/39" per annum. Much of the rainfall comes in the form of short, intense afternoon thunderstorms. Rain can be expected 12 months of the year.

Temperature: Daytime temperatures in summer may rise above 35°C/95°F. Nights in winter rarely drop below 10°C/50°F.

Best time to travel: All year round, best game viewing from March to end September

Airstrip: The Phinda airstrip is not registered. Coordinates: S27.51.36 and E32.18.48

Malaria: Phinda is situated in a low-risk Malaria area.

Children: Regretfully, for safety reasons due to the cliffside location, children cannot be accommodated.

Ratio of guests to staff: 1 to 3

Lodge closure: Open year round