

Lion Sands

PRIVATE GAME RESERVE

LION SANDS 1933 FACT SHEET

“You have to know your roots in order to find your wings!” This is exactly how Guy Aubrey Chalkley felt when he first discovered the raw beauty and ancient spirit of the Kingstown Game Reserve, near the Kruger National Park, back in 1933. Not even he could have realised, on that warm November morning, the legacy he was creating. A legacy that has survived through four generations, the unpredictable nature of the Sabie River and the great responsibilities of protecting and ensuring the Kingstown Game Reserves ecological environment.

Guy Chalkley’s direct descendants continue to enjoy this 4 000-hectare reserve together with the abundant animal and plant life that thrive here. Just as he had regarded the rugged beauty of the wilderness as a wonderful opportunity to lay down his roots, so, in turn, have Chalkley’s family created a unique retreat to share with others.

Lion Sands Private Game Reserve stands today on the original area that was Kingstown Game Reserve. Incorporating two luxury lodges and the same unspoilt beauty that Guy Chalkley so appreciated, the 4 000-hectare Lion Sands Private Game Reserve has earned its reputation as one of Southern Africa’s finest luxury safari destinations.

As a tribute to their predecessor’s pioneering spirit, Nicholas and Robert More, the great grandsons of Guy Chalkley and present-day owners of Lion Sands Private Game Reserve, have undertaken to build their own private camp. Opened in October 2007 and aptly named **1933 at Lion Sands**, this lodge will welcome local guests, families and friends the world over. Since **1933 at Lion Sands** has been designed by the family and for the More family, it encapsulates both the warm, personal ambience associated with a family owned lodge and a world class luxury safari experience.

Nestling on the banks of the Sabie River, **1933 at Lion Sands** represents a secluded environment where comfort and relaxation are the order of the day. There are four spacious suites, each with their own private view of the Sabie River. The bathrooms are just as inviting, courtesy of their double vanity units, elegant bath and outdoor showers. There is also a childrens dormitory, able to sleep up to 8 children, with his and hers bathroom and an interleading bedroom for an au-pair.

The lodge’s large windows, sliding doors and muted colours mirror the surrounding landscape and create a seamless, indoor-outdoor flow. Timber, thatch and screed flooring add earthy charm to the interior, where the decor is classic-contemporary. Take the lounge, for instance, with its natural fibres, oversized chairs and open fireplace that together create a haven for relaxation. The kitchen is ideal as it opens onto a dining area that’s equally suited to informal family meals or a banquet affair. All of these public areas open onto a large, wraparound wooden deck and 13.5m (15 yard) lap-size swimming pool.

If this sounds like your dream home, that’s exactly what **1933 at Lion Sands** strives to be: a gracious home away from home – with a few added luxuries, including your own private chef and ranger, with the exclusive use of a 4x4 Landrover for safari game drives.

What really sets **1933 at Lion Sands** apart from any other safari lodge, is its prime setting on the canopied banks of the Sabie River – the very place where Guy Chalkley spent hours writing his storybook, *Desert Pool*, telling of the myriad adventures his two children, Tony and Louise, enjoyed while growing up on the Reserve.

Here, amidst the idle chatter of vervet monkeys, colourful birdsong, peaceful naps and calls of the wild, the spirit of an African river runs through every guest’s experience at the lodge.

A communal, self-contained space with a smart-casual vibe, where absolute privacy is assured – that’s **1933 at Lion Sands**. However you choose to spend your leisure time here, **1933 at Lion Sands** is certain to leave you refreshed and re-acquainted with yourself, with the other members of your family or exclusive group and with the breathtaking, natural escarpment that’s unique to Africa. Listen closely to the Sabie River meandering past your suite, and you may just hear the soft, satisfied sighs of Guy Chalkley...

Accommodation and Facilities

Main Lodge

- Reception Lounge
- Main Kitchen
- Laundry Room
- Presentation Kitchen
- Dining Room
- Lounge with Fireplace
- Outdoor Living Room
- Open Dining Area on Wooden Deck
- Guest Bathroom
- Wine Cellar
- Gym & Sauna
- Additional lounge/Playroom with satellite television
- Library
- Internet connectivity
- Lap swimming pool
- Wooden wrap-around decks
- Air conditioning & overhead fans

Accommodation: Childrens Dormitory

- Childrens dormitory, sleeping max 8 children
- Interleading Au-pair/security bedroom
- Two bathrooms (one with bath & shower, one with shower only)

Accommodation: Suites

- 4 Luxurious Suites (Sleeping max 8 adults)
 - 1 Adjoining main public area
 - 3 Free standing suites joined by raised wooden walkways
- Double bed (or twins)
- Lobby reception
- En-suite bathroom
- Indoor & Outdoor shower (3 free standing suites)
- Floating bath
- Double vanity with dressing table
- Air-conditioning & overhead fan
- Electronic safe
- Personal bars
- Hairdryer
- Private wooden viewing deck

Reserve:

- Own Private Nyala Viewing Hide
- G.A.C Waterhole Hide
- Inqwazi Hide
- Chalkley Treehouse
- Trails' Camp

Uniqueness:

- Only exclusive-use safari lodge in the Sabi Sand situated on the perennial Sabie River.
- Exclusive sole-use lodge
- Family Owned since 1933
- Private chef and resident host. Private ranger & tracker, with sole use of a 4x4 Land Rover safari vehicle.

Activities

The activities programme has been developed to enhance the guest's safari experience by enabling the guest to tailor-make their stay with us. The activities are all offered in a flexible and convenient environment. The activities programme is uniquely exclusive to Lion Sands guest's only.

Activities Included in Tariff

Open Land Rover game drives; Bush Walks; Safari lunches; Hippo Tours; Astronomy & visits to Henna Pre-School and HIV Clinic.

Activities Excluded from Tariff

Health Spa; Clay pigeon Shooting; Tree House experience; Golf at Skukuza; Helicopter flights; Ballooning & Panorama Tour.

Tariffs

Tariffs are quoted in South African Rands and are subject to change without prior notice, although tariffs quoted for confirmed bookings will be honoured. Tariffs include government taxes where applicable. If taxes increase the costs we reserve the right to increase the tariff accordingly.

Tariffs Include

- Luxury accommodation
- Exclusive use of a Land Rover for safari game drives
- Three meals daily
- Game drive refreshments
- Teas/Coffees
- Laundry service
- All local beverages, including soft drinks, wines & spirits
- Personal bar in suite
- Skukuza airport transfers
- 14% VAT

Tariffs Exclude

- Curio shop purchases
- Health spa treatments
- Premium Brands, Private Collection in Wine Cellar, Imported Beverages & Champagnes
- Telephone calls
- Reserve entrance fees
- Airport taxes
- Gratuities for staff
- Babysitting/child minding
- 1% Tourism Levy

Children & Extra Beds

Children of all ages are welcome at **1933 at Lion Sands**. Regrettably children aged 3 years and younger are unable to participate on game drives due to safety reasons.

Private Land Rover

Guests staying at **1933 at Lion Sands** will have exclusive use of a Land Rover for the duration of their stay, including the expertise of our FGASA qualified Field Guides. If required, a second private Land Rover is available at an additional charge.

Credit Card

American Express, Diners Club, MasterCard & Visa Cards are accepted at the lodge.

Characteristic Species

Lion, elephant, white rhino, leopard, cheetah, buffalo, Wild Dog giraffe, zebra, hyena, waterbuck, hippopotamus, crocodile, wildebeest, kudu and many other mammal & bird species.

Check In / Check Out Times

Guests are advised to check in from 1:00pm and check out anytime until 11:00am. Should guests require an early check in or late check out, we will do our utmost to accommodate their requests.

Dietary Requirements / Liquor Licence

Please inform Reservations of any dietary requirements and your private chef will do our utmost to oblige. **1933 at Lion Sands** is fully licensed.

Health Spa

The Lalamuka Health Spa, "Lalamuka" means unwind in Shangaan, offers an array of body and facial treatments which will assist in getting rid of those urban stresses. Spa treatments for guests staying at **1933 at Lion Sands** will be in the comfort and privacy of their own suites.

How to get there

By Road...

Recommended route from Johannesburg or Pretoria:

Take the N12/N4 highway to Nelspruit. R40 from Nelspruit to Hazyview. At Hazyview turn right onto R536 towards Paul Kruger Gate. After 38km turn left onto gravel road which is signposted to Lion Sands. Drive along dirt road for 2km. At T-junction turn right and drive for 5km to Sabi Sand Gate (entrance fee for 2007 is R80 per vehicle). Drive straight as signposted to Lion Sands. After 2km turn right at sign. Drive straight following signs to River Lodge. All guests staying at **1933 at Lion Sands** will arrive at River Lodge and then transferred to their private lodge.

Distance Chart (Approximate):

Johannesburg / Lion Sands (5 hours) – 520 km.
Skukuza Airport / Lion Sands (25min) – 12 km.
Phalaborwa Airport / Lion Sands (3 hours) – 243 km.
Hoedspruit Airport / Lion Sands (2h15min) – 160 km.
KMI Airport / Lion Sands (1h45min) – 110 km.
Hazyview / Lion Sands (1 hour) – 67 km.
Paul Kruger Gate / Lion Sands (45 min) – 32 km.

By Rail...

A recommended option is the romantic Rovos Rail Safari from Pretoria to Komatipoort, with transfers to Skukuza by bus. Our open Land Rovers will collect and transfer the guests from Skukuza airport to Lion Sands.

By Air...

Scheduled Flights:

Airlink has one flight daily from Johannesburg to the Sabi Sand Game Reserve (Mala Mala Airfield). The flight details are as follows:

SA 8863	ORT – AAM	Depart 11h10	Arrive 12h10
SA 8864	AAM – ORT	Depart 12h35	Arrive 13h35

Alternatively there are two airlines that service the KMI Airport namely: Airlink and Nationwide Airlines. Direct flights are available from Durban, Johannesburg and Cape Town.

Should you require a land transfer from KMI Airport to Lion Sands this can be booked and arranged through Lion Sands reservations.

Charters:

There is a charter flight (Federal Air) available direct from OR Tambo International Airport (Johannesburg) to Skukuza Airport. The estimated time of this transfer is 1h15min. These charter flights can be booked through Lion Sands Reservations.

Flight Times:

DEP ORT	09h30 / ARR SZK	11h00
DEP ORT	11h30 / ARR SZK	13h00
DEP ORT	13h30 / ARR SZK	15h00

DEP SZK	09h30 / ARR ORT	11h00
DEP SZK	11h30 / ARR ORT	13h00
DEP SZK	13h30 / ARR ORT	15h00

Baggage Allowance: 20kg's (Secure excess baggage storage facilities are available at ORT)

Should you use a commercial airline and fly to KMI Airport near Nelspruit, there is a charter flight (Federal Air) to Skukuza. The estimated time of this air transfer is 0h25min.

Transfers:

Skukuza airport...

Return transfers between Skukuza airport and **1933 at Lion Sands** in our open Land Rovers are available. The transfer fee is included in the tariff and takes approximately 25 minutes

KMI Airport...

Guests will be met at the airport and transferred in an air-conditioned vehicle. The distance is approximately 110 kilometres and is estimated to take **1h50 hours** and is excluded from the rate.

Mala Mala airfield...

Guest will be collected from the airstrip by open land rovers and transported to the lodge. The transfer time is approximately **45 minutes** and is excluded from the rate.

Other areas...

We suggest you contact the Lodge Reservations to get detailed information on the best possible options.

What to Take

(The following is a handy checklist)

Anti-malaria precautions (Please consult your doctor / pharmacist); Sun hat; Sunglasses; Sun Block; Sturdy comfortable ankle length thick-soled walking boots or track shoes, Cameras & binoculars; video cameras & spare batteries; lip cream, contact lens solutions and spare glasses, personal medications.

Winter Months (May to September, +- 3°C – 22°C)

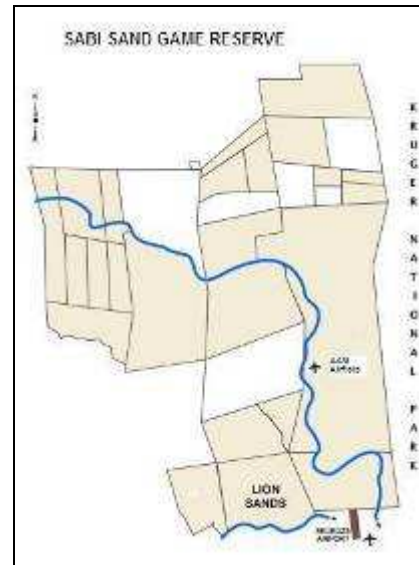
Very warm insulated parkas or bush jackets for the night safaris
Scarves to keep the neck warm
Jeans & shorts for everyday wear
Light sweaters for the midday period

Summer Months (October to April, +- 15°C – 38°C)

Cool cotton clothing, T-shirts & shirts (preferably in neutral colours), shorts for everyday wear.
Jeans & trousers for evening wear (temperatures can drop to around 18°C)
Swimwear
Sandals to wear at the lodge (not essential but more comfortable)

Location

Lion Sands Private Game Reserve is situated in the Southern portion of the 65,000-hectare Sabi Sand Game Reserve, an area well known for its high concentration of wildlife through both the dry and wet seasons. The Southern boundary is shared with the Kruger National Park along 10.5km of Sabie River frontage with the wildlife moving freely across the river, between the two reserves. The property's geographical location is an area of great diversity of both fauna and flora and affords us unique activities based around the river system and surrounding area. Lion Sands is situated in one of the most pristine wilderness areas in Southern Africa.



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