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**November 2025****AIRLINES**

**Federal Air** is expanding its Shuttle Business Unit with a new daily six-aircraft schedule launching mid-May 2026, linking lodge airstrips to Kruger Mpumalanga International, Skukuza and Hoedspruit airports.

- This new Lowveld Schedule goes on sale in November 2025, enabling faster, seamless connections with no more than two stops en route.
- To support this growth, Federal Air is investing in two new Cessna Caravan EX aircraft and upgrading lounge facilities at the three hubs, matching the quality of their Johannesburg Private Lounge.
- Current services remain unchanged, including flights to Singita, Londolozi, MalaMala, Ulusaba, Arathusa, Phinda, Madikwe, and Marataba, with Flexi services covering additional Lowveld routes.
- Federal Air will also introduce value-for-money zonal fares, plus a new X-Class Fare allowing one large hard-shell bag (up to 32kg) at a small premium.

**Airlink** will introduce two weekly flights from Johannesburg to Zanzibar from 03 June 2026.

- Flights on Wednesdays and Sundays will depart Johannesburg at 12h00 and arrive in Zanzibar at 16h35.
- Return flights on Mondays and Thursdays will depart Zanzibar at 12h00 and arrive in Johannesburg at 14h55.
- The airline will use its brand-new Embraer E195-E2 aircraft, which accommodates up to 136 passengers, to operate the route.

**Airlink** will add Nacala to its Mozambican destination portfolio from February 2026.

- The coastal town will be Airlink's seventh Mozambican destination and will initially be served with twice-weekly return flights from Johannesburg operating on Mondays and Fridays.
- Airlink will operate its comfortable and efficient Embraer regional jet aircraft on the route.

**Proflight Zambia**

- **New Route to Windhoek**  
Launching 03 March 2026, Proflight will begin scheduled flights to Windhoek from both Lusaka and Livingstone, operated by the CRJ-200 jet. Flights will run 3 times weekly (Tuesdays, Fridays, Sundays) – offering the only direct Lusaka–Windhoek and Livingstone–Windhoek services.
- **Additional Flights to Johannesburg**  
A third daily Lusaka–Joburg service has been added on weekends and throughout the December/January holiday season, ensuring smoother international connections without overnight layovers.
- **Cape Town Frequency Increases**  
Proflight continues to operate the only direct Lusaka–Cape Town flights, with frequencies stepping up from October through to January 2026.

## **SOUTH AFRICA**

**Malewane Lodge**, will be closed from 15 June to 30 June 2026 for a comprehensive refurbishment. During this refurbishment period, all other Royal Malewane properties will remain fully operational and continue to welcome guests. The Royal Waters Spa at Malewane Lodge will be temporarily closed. Guests staying at nearby Africa House will still have access to treatments in the on-site double treatment room, while guests at Masiya's Camp will be able to enjoy in-room treatments throughout this time.

**RockFig Safari Lodge** opens in January 2026, introducing a new level of luxury designed to elevate every part of the guest experience. Highlights include a tranquil spa and gym, a boutique curio shop, an extensive wine cellar, and thoughtfully appointed rooms – each with a private heated plunge pool, spacious deck, and indoor and outdoor double showers. The lodge offers an intimate safari experience with a maximum of four guests per vehicle and the option for exclusive-use stays.

### **Fitzpatrick's at Jock newly refurbished.**

Retreat to a newly refurbished private haven in the heart of the Kruger. Fitzpatrick's at Jock combines elegant comfort with the thrill of an authentic safari experience. With just three exclusive-use bedrooms, the refreshed villa offers an elevated level of indulgence and serenity – the perfect highlight for any family or small-group safari itinerary.

Facilities include:

- Heated communal swimming pool
- Sunken firepit
- Indoor and outdoor dining areas
- Exclusive riverbed dining
- Baobab Courtyard for kids
- Private plunge pools
- Outdoor salas

**Kapama River Lodge & Southern Camp**, are delighted to share two major updates as part of Kapama's ongoing journey to elevate the guest experience:

### **Kapama River Lodge – Tamboti Superior Suites Opening 15 December 2025**

- Introducing the brand-new Tamboti Superior Suites – spacious, contemporary, and ideal for families with interleading rooms and stunning bushveld views.
- These suites complement the Deluxe Suites' elegant design, while the current Spa Suites are closed and will undergo full refurbishment to match the refreshed look and feel.

**Note:** The 4 Family Spa Suites will be replaced with the interleading Tamboti Superior Suites, and the Standard Courtyard Suites will be repurposed for guide accommodation and no longer available on the guest inventory.

### **Kapama Southern Camp – Reimagined to a boutique lodge from July 2026**

- Southern Camp will soon evolve into a small boutique villa-only lodge, offering an intimate, personalised, and ultra-luxurious safari experience.
- The 15 Standard Suites will be retired, leaving 10 beautifully designed villas to create a serene, boutique retreat.

**Boschendal** has announced that their new Arum Restaurant will be opening on 25 November 2025. Reservations are now open. Led by chef-founder Peter Tempelhoff, Arum promises farm-to-fire cooking with an abundance of fruits, herbs, roots, vegetables, and proteins sourced from the Boschendal fields and gardens.

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## **BOTSWANA**

**African Bush Camps** have shared that their Expedition Experiences will, over the coming two years, be phased out of their portfolio. Zambezi Expeditions in Mana Pools will be the first to transition, with its last year of operation with African Bush Camps being 2025. Kanga Expeditions will transition from African Bush Camps during the course of 2026. Somalisa Expeditions and Linyanti Expeditions will follow at the end of 2026.

**&Beyond Sandibe and Nxabega Under Canvas** will open in March 2026. Set on a private concession in the heart of the Okavango Delta, these intimate under-canvas camps will each feature just three tents, accommodating a maximum of six guests for an exclusive and immersive safari experience.

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## **NAMIBIA**

**The Luna Namib Collection, opening July 2026**, will be located in a biologically diverse area south of Sesriem. Designed around a lunar-focused guided experience, the property will offer a high-end, fully inclusive stay with strong emphasis on privacy.

Each standalone unit – suitable for couples or families – will function as an independent, secluded space, supported by a dedicated concierge team.

Luna aims to provide a focused, restorative environment where guests can disconnect, reset, and spend uninterrupted time with the people who matter most.

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