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SOUTH AFRICA

Kwandwe Ecce Lodge now offers three Private Vehicle Suites.

- Priced slightly above the standard per-person sharing rate, these suites include a dedicated safari vehicle, guide, and tracker, allowing for a more flexible and personalised safari experience.
 - They can accommodate two children under the age of 12, making them ideal for families with younger children who prefer not to book one of the private villas.
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BOTSWANA

Natural Selections Expeditions Camp – Opens 01 April 2026

- Eight Meru tents, pitched in the northern reaches of the Okavango Delta.
 - This semi-permanent outpost is affordably priced and strikes a balance between adventure and comfort.
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KENYA

Asilia Africa welcomes Emboo to the Asilia Camps and Lodges portfolio.

- Emboo is located in the heart of the Maasai Mara, on the Talek River.
 - 11 tents, including one family unit.
 - A commitment to sustainability through a fully net-zero operation.
 - Silent, solar-powered game drives and fresh, farm-to-fork dining.
 - Introductory offers on all new Emboo bookings with travel dates before 01 June 2026.
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TANZANIA

Legendary Lodge will now be open year-round from 2026, including April when the lodge has historically been closed.

- A new "Legendary Picnic on the Lawn" meal offering has been launched, offering couples or families a set up outdoors on the manicured lawns.

Rivertrees Country Inn will be closed from 13 April to 22 April 2026 for dedicated team trainings and facility upgrades.

- From 17 May 2027, when 2027 rates commence, the property will be moving to a room-only rate structure.
 - Breakfast will no longer be included in the room rate but can be added at the time of booking at an extra charge.
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UGANDA

Asilia Africa's first Uganda property, Erebero Hills is due to open in August 2026.

- Located in Bwindi Impenetrable Forest, this intimate lodge has only 8 suites.
 - Africa's first high-end bamboo lodge, it features organic designs by Pablo Luna that blend seamlessly with the surrounding forest.
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AIRLINES

SAA and Cemair have signed a codeshare partnership to increase connectivity between major cities and niche destinations not previously served by SAA's network.

- Both airlines will place their codes on each other's flights allowing for integrated booking across platforms, single-ticket itineraries and baggage through-check.
- Ticket sales for codeshare flights will open on 26 January 2026

Auric Air has added two new aircraft to its fleet, a second Dash 8-300 (50-seat aircraft) and a Cessna Grand Caravan.

- With two Dash 8-300 aircraft now in service, the airline is well positioned to support growing passenger demand, and enhance connectivity for both leisure and business travellers.
- The new Caravan aircraft has been configured with executive-style seating, for enhanced comfort and a more refined onboard experience, while maintaining the aircraft's proven versatility for regional and bush operations across Tanzania and East Africa.

Auric Air has also resumed flight operations to Siwandu Airstrip in Nyerere National Park.

- Flight connections are available from Zanzibar, Ruaha, Dar es Salaam, Pemba Island, Mafia Island and Arusha. This reopening restores direct air access to Asilia Roho ya Selous, Laba Siwandu Camp, and Essential Destination's Lake Manze Camp.