

Restaurant of the Month

The Saxon Grei Restaurant, Johannesburg



Grei, which loosely translates from Portuguese as “a society of people”, blends together Chef Candice’s love of unusual pairings, her passion for herbaceous flavours and her signature style of intricately-plated dishes. The menu highlights the three key flavours from each dish and conveys a different colour with each course. The menu is available as six-courses, paired with a combination of international and local wines. There is also a non-alcoholic pairing option as well as vegetarian- and pescatarian-suited menus.

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Tour of the Month

Gerakaris Family Wines, Johannesburg



Gerakaris Family Wines was founded in 2008 by Kath Gerakaris as a wine marketing company focused on bringing boutique Cape wineries to the Johannesburg market. The business has developed into a holistic wine enterprise encompassing the venue, wine education to the professional and private markets, wine consulting and garagiste winemaking! We specifically designed the venue to be a ‘blank canvas’ so clients can tailor their own functions with minimal restrictions in this tranquil environment.

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New Product of the Month

Simbavati Trails Camp



Simbavati Trails Camp is Simbavati’s luxury-but-back-to-basics walking trails camp. Located in a secluded area of the Timbavati, Simbavati Trails Camp borders an unspoilt wilderness area of 11, 000 hectares in the Kruger National Park. The camp offers four en-suite Meru-style safari tents and hosts a maximum of eight guests. Bucket showers are filled on demand with warm water, hearty meals are prepared over an open fire by an expert cook. No electricity, no cell phone signal; just you, in the heart of an untamed African wildlife wonderland.

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The Adventurous World of Walking Safaris



Tanda Tula Field Camp

Just after sunrise you will meet in the mess tent for coffee, tea, rusks and hot porridge. You will then depart with your field guide and tracker for a three to four hour bush walk where you will track game and learn the art of tracking, birding and tree and plant identification. Discovering rhino or elephant on foot is not an uncommon occurrence! You will then return to camp mid-morning where you will be welcomed with a hot water bush shower, followed by a sumptuous brunch.

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Mashatu Game Reserve

On a walking trail the focus is more holistic than purely finding big game. Although opportunities arise to view big game, the focus is on the little, often overlooked aspects of the bush – tracks, plants, insects... A walking safari is an awakening of all the senses. You are a part of the environment – not merely a spectator on a safari vehicle. There is no better place to enjoy a walking safari than in this diverse and mammoth piece of Africa – The Land of the Giants. Stuart Quinn, an excellent field guide and tracker with a wealth of experience and knowledge, is your host. Guests will leave with a deeper understanding of African wildlife and conservation alongside memories and experiences which they will never forget.

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Rhino Walking Safaris, Kruger Park

Rhino Walking Safaris specialises in guided walking safaris on a 12,000 hectare concession in the iconic Kruger National Park. A maximum of eight guests are accompanied by two highly experienced FGASA trained armed trails guides on walks through the heart of Big 5 territory. Early morning walks last between three to four hours with a half hour refreshment break. Afternoon walks leave the camp after high tea and last for approximately forty-five minutes before guests on a 4x4 vehicle to explore further afield.

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General Updates:

Tintswalo Safari Lodge – Please note that Tintswalo Safari Lodge no longer has Tree House Suites – they have done away with the room type completely

Africa Albida – Victoria Falls Safari Lodge Pool Deck will be closed from 11 June 2018 for approximately 5 weeks in order for the decking to be replaced and for the New fitness room to be built.

Mantis Collection – Bush & Beach combos; take-over of Fish River Resort set to re-open in April 2018; and 2018 Ultimate Conservation Voluntour. An Eastern Cape meander is the ultimate bush-and-beach road trip. Fly into Port Elizabeth and spend a few nights at one of these exceptional properties while you discover the white sandy beaches and warm waters of Nelson Mandela Bay: No. 5 Hotel, The Windermere or Villa Toscana.

Cemair resumes the direct Cape Town to Hoedspruit (and vv) route as from the 26th March 2018

Specials:

Thornybush Lodges – Stay 4 Pay 3 Special at selected Thornybush Lodges valid from 13 Apr to 31 Jul 2018 and again from 01 to 30 Sep 2018 – Special Rate Code = TBNS4P3

The Old Rectory in Plettenberg Bay is offering a Stay 3 Pay 2 Special, valid for travel till 12 December 2018.

La Cle des Montagnes is offering a further 30% discount on top of the winter rates for 1 May to 30 Sep 2018. But must be a min 2 night stay, and only for new bookings.

Kensington Place has once again brought out their 443 Winter Special for all new bookings between 1 May to 31 Aug 2018. NB: it has to be requested – not applied retrospectively

Kwando Safaris - October Offer: 6 Nights at Mid-Season Rates

Robin Pope Safaris - Reduced rates in October

Things are heating up in October as we are offering Shoulder Season rates for the month of October 2018 on selected properties - save between 12% & 18% on all new bookings for any of the following:

Tena Tena - South Luangwa National Park.

Nsefu - South Luangwa National Park.

Luangwa River Camp - South Luangwa National Park.

Stanley Safari Lodge – Livingstone, Zambia.

John's Camp – Mana Pools National Park, Zimbabwe.