

**MARCH 2015**

This month we continue with our focus on new(ish) and happening offerings. Join us on this exploration of stunning lodges, wonderfully restored wine cottages, holistic retreats and some exciting new developments...

With best regards,  
*The Associated Product Management Team*



**Makanyi Safari Lodge** in the Timbavati Game Reserve opens in June 2015. The eight luxury suites, overlooking a magnificent dam, boast relaxing seating areas with fireplace, handsome bathrooms, outdoor showers and private decks. The Honeymoon Suites have four-poster beds and private plunge pools.



**Moditlo River Lodge** lies at the heart of the Blue Canyon Conservancy near the Kruger National Park. Moditlo means place of the elephant, and the quiet grace of this extraordinary creature echoes throughout the lodge and its surroundings. The lodge offers 16 luxurious contemporary rooms.



**Rhino Ridge Safari Lodge** is found in the first private concession within Africa's oldest proclaimed Game Reserve, Hluhluwe iMfolozi Park in Northern KwaZulu Natal. Guests can enjoy 4 star luxury in this private lodge surrounded by 96 000 hectares of pristine land and can expect excellent safari opportunities.



**Angala Boutique Hotel**, in the heart of the Cape winelands, is a retreat for body, mind and spirit. Specially tailored and unique packages are offered over specific dates – “Kick start to painting” and “Yoga Re-Treats” (Kundalini, Hatha and restorative yoga for all levels) – or simply enjoy the beautiful natural surroundings.



Founded in 1658 **Boschendal** is one of the Cape's iconic wine estates. A recent addition to the farm is the stylish guest accommodation, with options ranging from the historical Herbert Baker designed Rhodes Cottage to the beautifully restored farm labourer cottages.



**Leeu Collection** includes Leeu Estates, a 20-room five-star country house retreat and boutique winery; and Leeu House, an equally exclusive 13-room boutique hotel in the heart of Franschhoek. Both are set to open during the second half of the year offering sophisticated and understated private hideaways.

## General Updates

**REMINDER: we encourage you to take a look at the Specials and Packages that are on offer by some of your partners through the Wilderness Window platform (under Associated Product / Information).**

All guests staying for seven nights or more at **Azura Quilalea Private Island** before 30 June 2015 will receive a free return helicopter transfer from Pemba. This offer can ALSO be combined with the *Free Nights On Us* offer, stay seven nights and pay for six. Valid for new bookings only. Valid for stays from now until 30 June 2015.

**Belmond Safaris Botswana** are offering a Stay3/Pay2 Special valid for all new bookings made between March and 30 June for travel during the month of June 2015. Applicable to any of their Botswana Lodges.

More Hotels is offering a Stay3/Pay2 Special which is valid at **Lion Sands Game Reserve, Madikwe Safari Lodge and Marataba Safari Lodge**. This applies to reservations confirmed for travel between 26 November and 17 December 2015. Bookings must be confirmed by 31 March 2015.

**The Radisson Blu Hotel Waterfront** has released a great winter special. For Stays of 4 nights or more, receive an additional 20% discount. Valid for all new bookings staying between 1 May and 31 August 2015. Subject to availability.

**Rhino Post Safari Lodge** in the iconic Kruger National Park has introduced a Stay4/Pay3 Special valid for stays in May, June and September 2015.

**Uncharted Africa Safari Co.** is offering a child rate that is 50% off the adult rate when sharing with adults (for kids under 12 years). Child rate is available year round at Jack's Camp, San Camp, Camp Kalahari and Mobile Expeditions. Note that families travelling with children 8 years and under require a private guide and vehicle at Jack's Camp and San Camp.

Local airline **SA Express** are launching scheduled commercial flights in and out of Pilanesberg Airport commencing on Friday, 27 March 2015. Current schedules are in place for Johannesburg and Cape Town. This will open up the gateway for easier and faster access to Sun City and surrounds.

From 1 April 2015 **Fireblade Aviation** will be responsible for all of Tswalu's aviation services. The flight times have been amended as to allow guests to connect on the same day to Sabi Sand / Kruger / Madikwe. Contact us for the new schedule.

**Ellerman House & Villas** has advised that they are closing the hotel for refurbishment from 18 April - 18 May 2015.

**Babylonstoren** (Winelands) are adding 9 more suites in the Farmer's House near the Farm Shop as well as a new hot spa area with indoor and outdoor pool. The Babel restaurant and the bakery area are also being expanded. Renovations have already commenced with minimum disturbance. Babel, will however be closed, for the month of November.

**Tintswalo Atlantic**, which sadly burned down during a heavy veld fire, will be rebuilt. The reconstruction process will take several months with plans to re-open on the 1<sup>st</sup> December 2015.

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## Shows and Events

### 4 April

The **Old Mutual Two Oceans Marathon** attracts some 20 000 runners who take on 56 kilometres of open road and challenging mountain climbs; passing both the Indian and the Atlantic Ocean.

### 8 - 19 April

The **Greatest Love Of All - The Whitney Houston Show** celebrates the hits that Houston made famous during her 29 year career at Artscape Opera House.

### 17 - 19 April

The **Constantia Food and Wine Festival** invites families and connoisseurs to sample delectable gourmet fare and divine vintages from the surrounding region on the sprawling greens of the Constantia Uitsig Wine Estate Cricket Oval.

### 24 - 27 April

Multi-award winning **Decorex Cape Town** brings together the most exquisite collection of exhibitors, design icons and rising stars. Showcasing everything from furniture, kitchens, bathrooms, fabrics and décor.

### 25 April

The newly-formed and already feted **Juliet String Quartet** comprises four of the Cape Town Philharmonic's finest musicians. Their technique and fresh approach ensures an evening both modern and beautiful Baxter Concert Hall.

### 30 April - 9 May

**La Traviata**, a heart-warming opera features at Artscape Opera House.

### 19 – 24 May

The internationally acclaimed St. Petersburg Ballet Theatre will return to Cape Town in May to present a full length, four act classic production of the world's most famous ballet - **Tchaikovsky's Swan Lake** at Artscape Opera House.

### Open daily (except Wednesdays)

**Richard's Supper Stage Restaurant**, situated in Sea Point, offers an evening of fun entertainment and a delicious buffet dinner. The Musical Revue of Cape Stories from the Mother City is filled with unique humour, intoxicating rhythms and soulful songs that celebrate the challenges and triumphs of the people of Cape Town.

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