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THORNYBUSH 2026 IMPACT SAFARI

Minimum 5-night stay

3 Nights Thornybush Game Lodge or Saseka Tented Camp
plus 2 nights Simbambili Game Lodge

Effective: 01 JAN – 31 DEC 2026

All rates are in ZAR and include VAT unless otherwise stated.

Lodge Name	Room Type	Rack Rate (per person sharing, per stay)	Per single occupancy (per stay)	Notes
Simbambili Game Lodge & Thornybush Game Lodge	Suite	R117,050	R173,750	No Children under 12
Simbambili Game Lodge & Saseka Tented Camp	Suite/Tent	R141,650	R210,650	No triples, children 12+ only

General Terms:

- Minimum 5-night stay (3 nights at Thornybush Game Lodge or Saseka Tented Camp + 2 nights at Simbambili Game Lodge).
- Rates are quoted per person, sharing, per stay and include VAT (unless otherwise stated).
- Valid for both FIT and group bookings.
- Not combinable with other travel deals or promotions.
- Single supplement: 50% (where applicable).
- Pilot/Guide Room Rate: R2,915 per person per night at Thornybush Game Lodge & Simbambili (includes meals; excludes drinks and game drives).
- Minimum 6 guests per booking. If only 4 guests are booked, a private vehicle must be reserved (extra cost) for the first 2 nights at Thornybush Game Lodge or Saseka Tented Camp.

Child Policy

- Children under 12 years are not permitted on the Impact Safari Journey.
- Saseka Tented Camp & Simbambili Game Lodge: children aged 12+ welcome.
- Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult on game drives.
- No children under 16 permitted on bush walks.

Rates Include

- Luxury accommodation.
- All meals and snacks.
- Local beverages (soft drinks, house wines, selected beers & spirits).
- Minibar drinks.
- Morning & afternoon game drives with professional guides & trackers.



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- Wi-Fi.
- Laundry service.
- Inter-lodge transfers (Thornybush Simbambili).
- Transfers to scheduled activities.
- Interactive helicopter anti-poaching experience.
- Community programme volunteer activities.
- Anti-poaching K9 Unit demonstration.
- Community tours.
- Professional photography at selected activities.
- Conservation fees.

Rates Exclude

- Champagne, premium wines & spirits.
- Spa treatments & curio purchases.
- Gratuities.
- Reserve levies (see section 6).
- Sabi Sands Nature Reserve & Gowrie Gate fees (Simbambili only).
- Simbambili airstrip landing fees.
- Arrival & departure transfers/flights.

Kosher Meals Policy

- South African / Special Rate Guests: R950 per person, per night.
- Minimum 2 weeks' advance notice required.
- International Guests (1-5 pax, full-rate): Complimentary, limited offering (no kosher supervision or disposables).
- Groups: Rates on request, depending on level of kosher requirements.

Levies & Fees

Additional charge to the accommodation rates

Reserve	Fee	Includes
Gowrie Gate (Simbambili Game Lodge)	R374 per vehicle R172 per person	Payable directly at gate

100% of the conservation and community levies go directly to the reserves, supporting anti-poaching, habitat protection, local enterprise development, and education. Your stay helps sustain the Greater Kruger and Sabi Sands ecosystems and their communities.



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THORNYBUSH IMPACT SAFARI ITINERARY

The Thornybush Impact Safari is a 5-night journey that combines world-class game viewing with experiences that directly support conservation and community initiatives.

Spend time with the Shangaan community, learn their traditions, and share meals that tell their story.

Join our guides in the field, meet the K9 anti-poaching unit, and see first-hand how your safari contributes to protecting wildlife and supporting local livelihoods.

Every activity has purpose – making your safari more than just a holiday, but a genuine impact on the future of people and wildlife in the Greater Kruger.

Join us for this unforgettable 5-day journey that leaves a legacy of impact.

ACCOMMODATION	
DAY 1	Thornybush Game Lodge or Saseka Tented Camp
DAY 2	Thornybush Game Lodge or Saseka Tented Camp
DAY 3	Thornybush Game Lodge or Saseka Tented Camp
DAY 4	Simbambili Game Lodge
DAY 5	Simbambili Game Lodge

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	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
DAY 1	N/A	- Welcome and check in at Thornybush Game Lodge - Lunch - Meet Head of Thornybush Community, Busi Chauke, for induction on immersion - High Tea - Afternoon Game Drive	- Dinner - Thornybush Game Lodge Choir experience
DAY 2	- Morning Game Drive - Bush breakfast on the go - Meet Head of Security at Thornybush Private Nature Reserve, Darrel Camden-Smith - Interactive Helicopter anti-poaching experience - K-9 Unit demonstration and anti-poaching tracking experience	- Lunch - High tea - Afternoon game drive	Dinner



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DAY 3	• Immersive Bush Walk • Breakfast • Sigagule Village Tour	• Lunch • High Tea • Afternoon Game Drive	• Dinner
DAY 4	• Morning Game Drive • Breakfast • Transfer from Thornybush Game Lodge to Simbambili Game Lodge • Thornybush Community gardening programme stop and herbs picking • Welcome and Check In at Simbambili Game Lodge	• Lunch • Wildlife presentation with Endangered Wildlife Trust • Afternoon Game Drive with Endangered Wildlife Trust experience	• Dinner
DAY 5	• Morning Game Drive • Breakfast • Makrepeni Village immersion at Nourish Eco Village	• Thornybush Community programme visits and volunteering experience • Lunch • High Tea • Afternoon Game Drive	• Dinner
DAY 6	• Morning Game Drive • Breakfast • Check Out of Simbambili Game Lodge		

*Blanket-making activity to be discussed and resources shared during induction. Guests can make blanket/s at any preferred time during their 5-day stay. *

"A reverse itinerary is available upon request."