

PHELWANA GAME LODGE



NEWSLETTER

OUR NEW SIGNAGE HAS BEEN ERRECTED

We have erected a new Phelwana Game Lodge sign board on the Guernsey road near our main gate. It is bold with a few beautiful photographs of the Lodge. It is aimed at welcoming guests on arrival as well as directing guests to our main gate.



Our new sign board on the Guernsey Road.

OUR TEAM CONTINUES TO GROW...

We are thrilled with the addition of two new members of staff. Jacques Van Der Merwe and Cheney Kruger are both game guides who have recently joined our team and will be responsible for all activities at the Lodge including the Game Walks and Game Drives on the property. Both nature lovers and enthusiastic individuals, they bring with them their own expertise and promise to provide informative and fun activities for our guests to enjoy.

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... AND THE RAINY SEASON HAS BEGUN

The summer rains have started to fall and the Bushveld is teeming with its latest editions of baby Impalas. The veld is painted with all the different shades of green as the grass and trees sprout their new leaves and you can also hear the familiar sound of the cicadas beetles humming, filling the evenings with the sound of summer. On Thursday, 16 October, we had our first rains of the season with a massive electrical storm and Phelwana saw 80mm of rain.

BEAUTIFUL BIRDS!

With summer, comes the annual migration of beautiful and colourful birds to the area. They fill the garden and start building their nests in the trees.

To name one, the Red Chested Cuckoo ('Piet-My-Vrou') has arrived with spring – its call pierces the warm, balmy days and nights. Another regular migratory visitor to the Lowveld is the Pygmy Kingfisher which has resulted in a couple of rescues needed by our willing staff. The Pigmy Kingfisher is notorious for flying into windows, but luckily the few casualties we have had, have all resulted in a few mildly stunned birds which have flown away back into the bush.



A Pygmy Kingfisher rescued at the Lodge

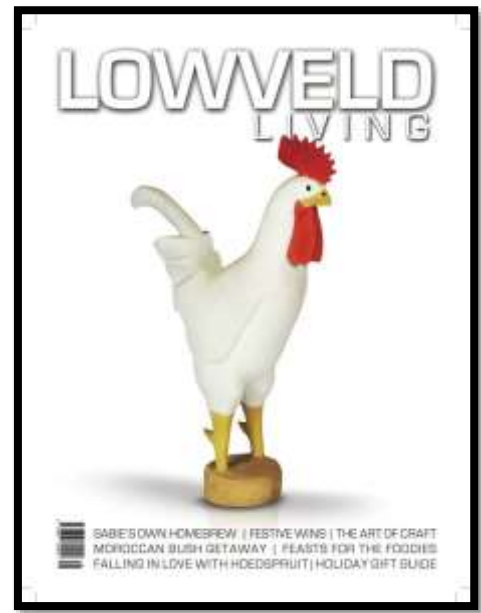


A Red Chested Cuckoo ('Piet-my-vrou') is a migrant to the Lowveld during Spring and its call is a sure sign summer is on its way.

OUR FIRST PUBLICATION...

At the beginning of November we hosted the Lowveld Living Magazine Team and we are excited to announce that we will be featured in their latest summer edition (December/January) which is currently available in store.

It was wonderful meeting them and enjoying some time together with them at Phelwana. Don't miss out and buy your copy now to read the article on the Lodge!



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SOME REALLY GREAT FEEDBACK ON



“Thank you Pierre, Jeanine and staff - You made one of our last weekends in South Africa an excellent experience.

Great location, easy excess, Awesome food (Thanks Hannes, now I'm not my wife's best chef any more...) Best value for money Lodge we have ever visited.”

“What a gem. This small bush escape differs from the typical lodge by offering genuinely affordable luxury in an intimate setting with all the right touches you hope for in the bush (and the most charming hosts you could hope for!). The owners have deep roots in the area, and their strong family values can be felt throughout the lodge. Expect a sincere welcome from happy, motivated staff; fresh, contemporary interiors which still acknowledge the farm's generations-old heritage; a range of accommodation options from the gorgeous permanent tent suites, to roomy villas and self-catering chalets. The advantage of having no predators or Big Five on the farm is that guests can walk in the bush (with care). Stay here and nip into the Kruger via the nearby Orpen Gate, or catch the Big Five at one the many surrounding private reserves. Thumbs up!”

“Everything about this lodge is superb! The scenery from our luxury tents were spectacular like no other lodge i have been to before. Having the hippos in the water so close and with other beautiful game surrounding us is just a sight never to forget. The Game drive, food, friendliness just the hospitality is general is absolutely exceptional. Thank you for an AWSOME weekend, my fiancé' and I truly enjoyed ourselves.

Big thanx to the staff who made this all possible Amanda, Hannes, Thabo, Jeff aka (MR y not), Pierre and Jeanine you guys are the best! Hope to yal soon.”

WILLIAS' GARDEN

Named after the man who lovingly cares for the garden in front of the Lodge every day, despite visits from the hungry Nyala and Warthog who frequent it at night. The garden is beautiful thanks to him!

Willias has magic green fingers, and we thank him for ensuring that the garden is lovingly cared for and beautifully maintained for our guests to enjoy.



The Garden in front of the Main Lodge has been named Willias' Garden as of 1/11/14.



We came across a menagerie of animals on foot, getting up close to giraffe, zebra and impala! What a great experience for our guests!



Please check out our **FACEBOOK** page at <https://www.facebook.com/Phelwana> , “like” it and receive regular updates from us from your news feed.

The festive season is around the corner and Phelwana will be hosting both a Christmas and New Year’s function for our guests. We would like to remind our friends, suppliers and guests of this and invite them to enjoy the festivities with us. Please contact book@phelwana.co.za for further enquiries.



Cool down this summer with Jeffrey’s delicious cocktails!

PHELWANA GAME LODGE *Christmas 2014*

Stay at Phelwana Game Lodge in our Bush Chalets over 24/25 December and Celebrate the Festive Season!

R1200 per adult per day

Included in your stay...

- Complimentary levy
- Welcome drinks on arrival
- Private swimming pool
- A Bottle of house wine/sparkling wine
- Game walk or Game drive daily
- Catch and release fishing
- Full Continental & English breakfast daily
- High Tea daily
- Full Christmas dinner on the eve of 24th
- Christmas Luncheon on the 25th
- 3 Course dinner daily for additional nights

*Children from the age of 6 welcome at R300 per child fixed. or Phone 011 793 2475

PHELWANA GAME LODGE *New Years 2014/15*

Stay at Phelwana Game Lodge in our Bush Chalets over 31 December 2014 and Celebrate the New Year with us!

R1200 per adult per day

Included in your stay...

- Complimentary levy
- Welcome drinks on arrival
- Private swimming pool
- A Bottle of house wine/sparkling wine
- Game walk or Game drive daily
- Catch and release fishing
- Full Continental & English breakfast daily
- High Tea daily
- Full Old Times Eve celebration dinner on the eve of 31st
- 3 Course dinner daily for additional nights

*Children from the age of 6 welcome at R300 per child fixed. or Phone 011 793 2475

The Phelwana Bar and Lapa is now offering cocktails creatively designed by our Head Barman, Jeffrey.

With summer around the corner, what better way to cool down in the heat of the African Bush than to sip on an ice cold cocktail. We have designed a cocktail menu and have begun serving cocktails at the Phelwana Bar and Lapa for guests to relax and cool down during the hot summer afternoons.

We would like to wish our clients and guests a happy festive season and thank them for the support since our June opening. We remain committed to strive for the best in service and hospitality!

Happy Holidays and

Kind Regards from the Phelwana Game Lodge Team!

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Our Christmas Tree is decorated and ready for the festive season!