



FUGITIVES' DRIFT

R O R K E ' S D R I F T

GENERAL INFORMATION 2012

FACILITIES

At **Fugitives' Drift Lodge** there are 8 spacious luxury twin en-suite rooms. Our annex cottage consists of 2 luxury twin en-suite rooms, a sitting room and an outside deck.

The **Lodge**, near Rorke's Drift, is situated on the site of the original Rattray homestead, where David's parents enjoyed their holidays, and here the seeds of this unique operation took root in those early years. The Lodge is the original establishment, built by David and Nicky Rattray in 1989 and houses the majority of the memorabilia in the central lounge and dining room area. Spacious luxury en-suite rooms all have a private verandah. A feature of the Lodge is the beautiful shady, well-established garden – home to innumerable birds – and a spectacular, large swimming pool situated on a secluded spur on the lip of the Buffalo River Gorge.

The Lodge is home to The Harford Library - with incredible views over the Buffalo River Gorge and the mountain of Isandlwana, the Harford Library offers a fantastic venue for friends who wish to relax and celebrate, or for executive groups to meet and contemplate the important business lessons which can be drawn from these remarkable stories. Lunch is served on the deck every day.

At **Fugitives' Drift Guest House** there are 6 luxury twin en-suite rooms. The **Guest House** was once the home of Mr and Mrs Potgieter who were immortalised in Gillian Rattray's award-winning book "The Springing of the Year". This old farmhouse has been altered and now forms the most charming sitting and dining room. The original verandahs have been retained and the outside eating area has a stunning view across a plain with Isandlwana in the distance. The luxury en-suite rooms all have verandahs and sweeping views of the reserve. We also have a guide's / driver's room. The Guest House has a large swimming pool with views across the plain.

OUR FLAGSHIP TOURS ARE TO THE BATTLEFIELDS OF ISANDLWANA AND RORKE'S DRIFT.

On a **one** night stay we recommend that you arrive between 1 and 2pm in order to join the afternoon tour to Rorke's Drift. You would then do the Isandlwana tour the following morning and depart after lunch.

On a **two** night stay you may choose whether to join the tour to Rorke's Drift on the afternoon of your arrival or to wait until the following afternoon and undertake the tours in the correct historical order.

On a **three** night stay you may split the tours and go to Isandlwana on the morning after your arrival and Rorke's Drift on your second afternoon, thereby having the time to relax and enjoy other activities.



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ISANDLWANA

Breakfast is at 06:50 and the tour departs from the Lodge/Guest House at 7:30 sharp, returning for lunch at approximately 13:00.

The charge for this tour is R455. Winter special R347.50 (15 April to 31 August 2012)

This includes transport, entrance fees and refreshments.

RORKE'S DRIFT

The tour departs from the Lodge/Guest house at 15:15 in summer and at 15:00 in winter and returns in time to have evening drinks around the fire before dinner. Dinner is served at around 20:00.

The charge for this tour is R455. Winter special R347.50 (15 April to 31 August 2012)

This includes transport and entrance fees.

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A walk to see the site where Lieutenants Melvill and Coghill lost their lives in an attempt to save the Queen's Colour, and where the first two posthumous Victoria Crosses were won. There is no charge for this tour.

WE ALSO OFFER THE FOLLOWING TOURS:

MANGENI FALLS

The waterfall where Lord Chelmsford found himself at the time of the battle of Isandlwana and the Ingwebeni valley where the Zulus were discovered prior to the battle.

This tour requires a **minimum of 4 people**: R395 per person.

MASONDO

The crack in the Buffalo River where the Zulus crossed the river on their way to Rorke's Drift. Available either on horseback or by Land Rover to this site.

The cost is R180 per person by Land Rover and R390 per person on horseback.

BLOOD RIVER AND THE SITE WHERE THE PRINCE IMPERIAL WAS KILLED

A trip to Blood River, a battle fought between the Boers and Zulus on 16th December 1838.

Cost is R400 per person (*minimum of 4 guests*)

The site where the Prince Imperial was killed by the Zulus, on 1st June 1879.

Cost is R400 per person (*minimum of 4 guests*)

These trips **can be done together** at the cost of R750 per person (minimum of 4 guests.)



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WALKS, FISHING AND HORSE RIDING

It is quite safe to walk on the property; Zulu guides are available to accompany those wishing to walk longer distances. The most popular walk is to the great ledge overlooking several hundred square miles of unspoilt Zululand. There is no charge for this walk. Fishing, horse riding and the hike from Isandlwana to the Buffalo River (the Fugitives' Trail) are also available.

Fishing: R135 per person

Fly Fishing: no charge, own rods.

Horse Riding: R295 per person (approximately 1 and a half hours)

Fugitives' Trail: R360 per person (dedicated vehicle) or R195 per person (if departing in a tour vehicle).

MOUNTAIN BIKING

We have an ever expanding network of single track ranging from flat to steep, technical and some not so technical. We have lots of Jeep track (two track).

At this stage you will need to bring your own bikes, but we are in the process of acquiring bikes for hire.

One of the many perks of cycling on our property is viewing the array of plains game that live here, such as Giraffe, Zebra, Blesbok, Wildebeest, Impala and many more....

TRANSFERS: DUNDEE TO FUGITIVES' DRIFT

One to two guest: R 990 one way to or from Dundee

Three to eight guests: R 1300 one way to or from Dundee

TARIFFS

All tariffs are quoted subject to change without prior notice, although tariffs quoted for confirmed bookings will be honoured. Accommodation tariffs are quoted per person per night. Tariffs include all meals, teas and coffees and VAT. Battlefield tours, laundry, drinks and curios are an additional cost.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE TIMES

Arrival time is after 12 noon. Rooms should be vacated by 10:00 for the convenience of arriving guests. Late departure times can be arranged at the Lodge and Guest House, subject to the availability of rooms.

ACCOMMODATION

3 Adult in Room will pay R1 200 per night.

At the Lodge the first child (under 12 years) sharing with parents is complimentary and R 750 for the second child (under 12 years).

At the Guest House one child (under 12 years) sharing with parents is complimentary

Normal rate will be charged for children in their own room.



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WHAT TO BRING

The dress code is casual. For the tours you will need comfortable walking shoes, a hat, sun block, binoculars, sunglasses and a light jersey/jacket for the summer and in winter a warm jacket/fleece. A light rain-proof jacket may come in very handy in the summer months.

CLIMATE

Summer is our rainy season and we often experience thunderstorms in the afternoons. The days are hot, but we occasionally enjoy very cool overcast days in summer. Our winters are generally mild and dry with warm days and chilly mornings and evenings. Always be prepared for a sudden change in the temperature; it can get cold very quickly.

MALARIA

Fugitives' Drift is malaria free.

HELICOPTER CO-ORDINATES

S 28° 23.452

E 30° 36.187

DIRECTIONS

Please use our directions provided on our website.

Do not make use of a GPS. It will take you on a circuitous route.

ROAD CONDITION

A 36km stretch of good gravel road leads to Fugitives' Drift. A 4x4 vehicle is not necessary. Please ensure you have sufficient fuel for your onward journey and a serviceable spare wheel.

GATE

Please note the gate at the entrance to the property is locked at **18:00**. Please advise us if you are likely to arrive later than this time.

POLICIES

CANCELLATION POLICY

To secure the reservation a deposit of 50% of the accommodation value is required within 48 hours of making the reservation. For agent bookings, payment must be made before guest's arrival. We reserve the right to charge the following:

Less than 14 days prior to arrival - total cost of the reservation

15 - 21 days prior to arrival - 75% of the reservation

22 - 28 days prior to arrival - 50% of the reservation

In the event of a no show, the total cost of the reservation will be charged for.



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GROUP BOOKINGS

Group bookings (6+ guest) are required to pay a non refundable deposit of 50% to secure the reservation **within 7 days of the booking being made**. The balance, including tours, is to be paid 21 days prior to arrival. In the event of a cancellation less than 21 days prior to arrival any refund on the balance paid is entirely at the discretion of management.

We recommend that all guest carry travel insurance to cover cancellation fees in the event of a medical emergency.

CHILDREN'S POLICY

Due to the length and content of the tours, we do not normally allow children under the age of 12 years to go on these tours. It will be at the lecturer's discretion whether we can accommodate children younger than 12 on the tours. We do offer child-minding facilities whilst parents are out on tour and in the evening while parents are at dinner. For the keen junior historians our **Battlefield Kids** program is an excellent option. Please realise that we need to give consideration to other guests in the Lodge and Guest House; we therefore do not allow children under 7 years into our dining/sitting room. Separate meal times will be arranged at the convenience of the child and parent.

Thank you for your understanding.

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THERE IS LIMITED CELL PHONE SIGNAL AT FUGITIVES' DRIFT

BANK DETAILS

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Standard Bank

Dundee Branch Code # 057624

Account #060057300

Fugitives' Drift Lodge **Fugitives' Drift Lodge t/a The Guest House**

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Dundee Branch Code # 057624

Account #060068450