



FUGITIVES' DRIFT

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

GENERAL INFORMATION 2018

FACILITIES

At **Fugitives' Drift Lodge** there are 10 spacious luxury twin en-suite rooms.

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 rebuilt and refurbished in 2017 and houses the majority of the memorabilia in the dedicated museum. Spacious luxury en-suite rooms all have a private verandah with outdoor shower. 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 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.

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 large en-suite rooms all have verandahs and sweeping views of the reserve. We also have 2 guide's / driver's rooms. 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 R625.00 and 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 R625.00 and includes transport, entrance fees and refreshments.

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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.

Rates: 1 – 4 People, R 2 020.00 per tour

5 – 8 People, R 4 050.00 per tour

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.

Rates: 1 – 4 People, R 1 000.00 per tour

5 – 8 People, R 2 000.00 per tour

BLOOD RIVER AND THE SITE WHERE THE PRINCE IMPERIAL WAS KILLED

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

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

Rates: Individual Tours: 1 – 4 People, R 2 070.00 per tour

5 – 8 People, R 4 140.00 per tour

Both Tours: 1 – 4 People, R 3 700.00 per tour

5 – 8 People, R 7 400.00 per tour

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WALKS & FISHING

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. The animals that we have are mostly plains game (zebra, giraffe, and many species of antelope), and we also have extensive bird life, with approximately three hundred species of bird on the reserve.

We have a number of walking trails on the property, giving one the opportunity to connect with the wildlife and plant life on foot. There are also various lookout points, from which one can enjoy expansive views over beautiful Zululand. Walks can be either unguided or guided. A guided walk costs R120 per person, and gives one the opportunity to learn more about the medicinal uses of certain plants- used extensively in Zulu culture- and about the birds and animals that can be found. Fishing and the hike from Isandlwana to the Buffalo River (the Fugitives' Trail) are also available.

Fishing: No Charge

Fly Fishing: No Charge, own rods.

Guided Walk: R120.00 per person

Fugitives' Trail: R400 per person

MOUNTAIN BIKING

We have an ever expanding network of single track ranging from flat to steep, technical and some not so technical cycling track, you are welcome to bring your own bicycle.

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 way to Dundee: R 1 800.00 per vehicle

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

3rd Adult in Room will pay R1 500 per night.

At the Lodge children (under 12 years) sharing with parents is R625. Only one child per room sharing with parents is possible.

At the Guest House one child (under 12 years) sharing with parents is R625

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. We will make arrangements and keep the gate open.

COMMUNITY AND CONSERVATION LEVY

Fugitives' Drift Lodge and Game Reserve is supporting South African Tourism's vision of sustainable tourism by charging a community and conservation levy. Protecting conservation and working with communities is the key element to the commercial aspect of sustainable ventures.

All guests will pay the levy, either together with their booking if prepaid, or it will be charged on the final invoice on check out.

2018/2019 Community and Conservation Levy:

R150 per person per day

R 75 per person per day for children under the age of 12

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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.

GROUP BOOKINGS

Group bookings (6+ guests) 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.

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT

There will be a 50% Single Supplement added to Group Bookings of 6pax or more.

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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