

Day Visitors

Skukuza has a designated day visitor area where day visitors and visitors from other camps can braai (barbecue) and picnic. It includes a kiosk, swimming pool, ablutions and picnic spots, all overlooking the Sabie River.

Tariffs

All tariffs are available from reception or on our website: www.sanparks.org

Sightings

There are so many creatures to see and sightings of rare species can be the highlight of your trip! Keep up to date with the movements of the wildlife in the Kruger National Park by consulting the sightings map in reception, it is updated daily!

TRAVEL ROUTES AND TIMES FROM JHB/PTA

PAUL KRUGER GATE: Take the N4 to Nelspruit then head to Whiteriver, Hazyview via the R40. From Hazyview take the R536 to the gate. Allow between 5 to 6 hours for the trip to the gate. Skukuza Main Rest Camp is 12km away from the gate. Allow about 30 minutes for the drive to the camp; however if you want to enjoy the game viewing possibilities give yourself more time!

AREAS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

In Camp:

GOLF: The Skukuza Golf Club is a magnificent 9-hole golf (18-tee) course situated just outside the camp on the route to Paul Kruger Gate. The course is a par 72, 5950m (6450 yards) for men and 5059m (5480 yards) for women. The course has no bunkers, although aerial bunkers are frequent in the form of trees. Phone reception for more information.

NURSERY: A nursery selling indigenous plants to the public is situated outside the camp. For more information contact (013) 735 4312.



NGALA (LION) RESTAURANT: Large buffet restaurant overlooking the Sabie River. Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner. For more information phone (013) 735 5870.

SELATI GRILLHOUSE: A recently renovated Victorian Style Grillhouse, has many sizzling meals to choose from, plus a host of carefully selected wines to compliment your meal. Situated on the train platform in Skukuza, as you dine, you can see the original train!

OTHER: Be sure to visit the Stevenson Hamilton Memorial Library and Museum, the Selati Railway Bridge, Papenfus Clock Tower and the WA Campbell Hut Museum.

Out of Camp:

- Kruger Tablets
- Lake Panic Bird Hide
- Mathekenyane

FAUNA AND FLORA

Game

All of the big 5 can readily be seen in the vicinity of Skukuza. Warthog and vervet monkeys inhabit the camp and can wreck havoc if visitors leave their possessions unguarded. At night, genet, thick-tailed bush baby and fruit bats can be seen in camp. The riverfront of the camp is a great place to look for hippopotamus and buffalo, especially in early morning.

Birding

Although Skukuza is a busy camp, it has a wide variety of birdlife. In summer this venue is a hub of activity with a massive nesting colony of lesser masked and spottedbacked weavers. Green pigeons are abundant in the riverine fig trees. Walking along the river's bank early in the morning, there is a chance of encountering little sparrowhawk. A stroll around the rest of the camp could yield collared sunbird, redbacked and bronze mannikin, purplecrested lourie and bush shrikes (orangebreasted, greyheaded and gorgeous) may be heard or seen. Seven species of flycatcher may also be found (paradise, black, dusky, spotted, fantailed, bluegrey and pallid). Watching the sky above the river at dusk may reveal bat-hawk or european hobby. When night falls a spotlight lights up a fig tree outside the restaurant. Woodland kingfishers use this 'extended daylight' to hunt insects attracted to the glow. The nearby bird hide at Lake Panic is a good spot to go to observe kingfishers and herons at close quarters.

Vegetation

While the camp itself is riverine, with wonderful large trees such as sycamore fig, jackalberry and Natal mahogany, the surrounding ecozone comprises of thorn thicket on granite/gneiss soils. Knob thorn and sickle bush are prominent.



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