



LUXURIOUS 3-DAY PRIVATE *Birding* SAFARI

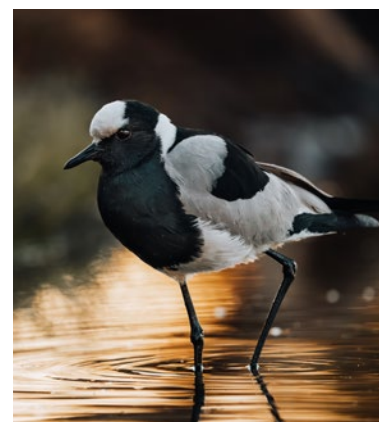
TIMBAVATI PRIVATE NATURE RESERVE
SOUTH AFRICA



Bird-lovers would struggle to replicate the calibre of bird watching anywhere in the world, with the Timbavati featuring **OVER 360 DIFFERENT SPECIES.**

Kings Camp invite keen twitchers to indulge in a private tailor-made Birding Safari in our unique corner of Africa...

As part of the greater Kruger National Park, which covers an area of 2.2 million hectares, Kings Camp boasts a wealth of bio-diversity and offers the perfect backdrop for a sensational Birding Safari as well as the added bonus of some exceptional game viewing experiences while out ticking off your bird list.



3-NIGHT LUXURY PRIVATE BIRDING SAFARI AT KINGS CAMP PRIVATE GAME RESERVE with Nic Squires* – a specialist SKS (Special Knowledge Skills) Bird Guide

Other qualifications include: SKS Dangerous Animals and National Diploma in Nature Conservation.

DAY 1 & 2 – TIMBAVATI BIRDING & GAME VIEWING

Spend two days exploring bushveld birds at Kings Camp... Either in an open safari vehicle or by foot we search for an array of species through a variety of habitats such as Bush Willow/ Mopane Woodlands, Olifants River Rugged Veld and Thornveld Gabbro soils.

DAY 3 – DRAKENSBERG FOREST ESCARPMENT

After breakfast, join Nic for a trip up Mariepskop / Blyde River Canyon for forest and mountain bird sightings. Enjoy a picnic lunch in the mountains.

*AN ALTERNATE BIRDING GUIDE WILL BE USED SHOULD NIC SQUIRES BE UNAVAILABLE



Revel in the warmth of gracious hospitality... Relax and soak up the tranquillity of the African bush... Indulge in pampering treatments, delight in exceptional cuisine and savour spectacular sunsets. Explore the endless fascination of Africa's wildlife in open, state-of-the-art game viewing vehicles.

THIS IS YOUR PRIVATE SAFARI EXPERIENCE PACKED WITH AMAZING BIRD SIGHTINGS...

A Birding Safari in a Luxury Private Game Reserve offers many advantages... Fewer vehicles, traversing off the main roads so you get closer to the sighting, you can get off the vehicle to set up the spotting scope to view raptors and you can enjoy evening viewing of nocturnal birds. Walking in the bush also offers another dimension altogether.

The Lodge itself is a good birding base especially in the summer months when woodland kingfishers and red-headed weavers nest in the camp.

The Timbavati has an abundance of large diurnal raptors. Cuckoos and their antics with their brood hosts are a regular sighting, and the Great Spotted Cuckoo is common due to the prevalence of its host the Burchells Starling. While out exploring the Drakensberg escarpment Blackfronted Bush Shrike or Narina Trogon would be a great find.

Birding at Kings Camp is best in Summer (October to March) when migratory birds are present. It is a frenetic time when birds breed and males are in their summer breeding plumages. A three day record spotting is standing at around 175 species found across the various habitats in the reserve.

Birding outside of Summer is thoroughly enjoyable with more comfortable temperatures. Sightings include host of resident birds such as Hornbills, Rollers and Shrikes.

In July, August and September Owls are breeding and can be located on their nests. Verraux's Eagle Owl is the easiest one to spot – they have a deep grunting call which carries long distances. They attract a lot of unwanted attention and are harassed by Grey Goaway birds. These owls often make use of Vulture or Wahlberg Eagle nests.

BRING GOOD BINOCULARS AND A CAMERA

THIS 3 DAY PACKAGE CAN BE TAILOR MADE OR ALTERED. PLEASE CONTACT US FOR FURTHER INFO & RATES.



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