



Singita

CASTLETON

Sustainability is key to the future of preserving and protecting large tracts of land in Africa. It is a combination of guests staying at our lodges, together with partnerships on various different levels, that enables us to pursue our vision.

- Luke Bailes

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SINGITA IS COMMITTED TO SAVING AFRICA'S WILDERNESS

We've been preserving African wilderness for the past two decades. Through an exceptional safari experience with 12 award-winning lodges and camps across South Africa, Tanzania and Zimbabwe, Singita is able to partially fund the protection and preservation of over a million acres of pristine land and existing wildlife populations, as well as helping to create economic independence within local communities surrounding the reserves.

Travellers choose to stay at Singita because of the expansive space and beauty of the reserves, limited guest and vehicle numbers, extraordinarily consistent game viewing and the exceptional care that is taken of each guest during their stay. When guests depart after a Singita safari, they are transformed for life, satisfied in the knowledge that they've made a contribution to the legacy of Africa.

CONSERVATION AS A WAY OF LIFE

Built upon a 100-year purpose to preserve and protect African wilderness for future generations, Singita has been championing conservation in Africa from the very beginning. We achieve this with large-scale projects in wildlife management and protection, reserve and ecosystem integrity, sustainable tourism practices and community development.

Through a sustainable conservation model that helps balance tourism with conservation in all regions in which we operate, Singita's ethos of "touching the earth lightly" is no longer just a forward-thinking principle; it is imperative to our survival, and that of the land, wildlife and communities under our care.





WELCOME TO SINGITA CASTLETON

By capturing the spirit of the original Castleton Camp, the lodge retains its historical and elegantly comfortable nature. Castleton combines the best elements of a private safari lodge with the rustic charms of a country farmhouse. Botanical art references, luxurious bedding, provincial furniture and flagstone floors add a nostalgic flair to create a time-honoured ambience. Shared spaces encourage relaxation, togetherness, and a deep engagement with the African wilderness.

THE CASTLETON EXPERIENCE

Accommodation

Singita Castleton's six guest cottages are located a short distance from the main house. Two of the cottages have an inter-leading door which makes them perfect for families with young children.

Exciting activities

- Daily game drives with your private guide and tracker provide the perfect opportunity to get close to Africa's incredible animals.
- Afternoon drives conclude with a spot-lit evening return to reveal the elusive magic of nocturnal wildlife.
- For the adventurous, there are walking safaris and mountain biking (for guests 16 and older).
- Enjoy stargazing safaris, swimming, board games, tennis, croquet on the lawn and archery.
- The country style kitchen is the heart of the home and guests are encouraged to participate in informal cooking or baking sessions.
- Join in a community visit - it is the perfect way to experience South African culture and learn about the positive impact that tourism has made in the region.

A unique game viewing experience

During your stay, you are likely to spot a great variety of wildlife, including the following species:

- leopard
- lion
- rhino
- large herds of buffalo
- elephant
- reedbuck
- hyena
- hippopotamus
- nyala
- cheetah
- wild dogs
- many types of birds.



PREPARING FOR YOUR JOURNEY

Your packing guide

Cotton clothing in neutral colours is recommended for game drives and bush walks. It is advisable to avoid white and dark colours as they tend to attract bugs. If it rains during a game drive, waterproof ponchos will be provided. No formal wear is required at any of our lodges.

Use the weather as your guide:

October–April: Casual summer clothing (shorts and lightweight shirts) with a warm jersey or sweater for the cooler morning and evening temperatures.

May–September: Casual lightweight clothing with a very warm parka or windbreaker jacket for the extremely cold mornings and nights.

To ensure a comfortable safari experience, we recommend that you bring the following:

- Comfortable walking or track shoes, or hiking boots for walks as well as sandals to wear around the lodge.
- A swimming costume or bathing suit, sun block, sun hat, sunglasses, lip balm, mosquito repellent. (Lip balm and insect repellent will be provided, but if you prefer a particular brand, you are welcome to bring it along.)
- Video camera, camera, binoculars and extra memory cards.

Health requirements

Singita Castleton lies in a malaria-risk area; it is therefore essential that you consult your medical practitioner regarding anti-malaria requirements before your trip.

OUR LOCATION

Location of Singita Sabi Sand [A]

Singita Sabi Sand is a privately owned concession in the Sabi Sand Private Game Reserve, adjacent to the Kruger National Park in South Africa. Spanning more than 45,000 acres, Singita Sabi Sand is renowned for high concentrations of big game and frequent leopard sightings. This is where you will find Singita Castleton.

Location of Singita Castleton [B]

Singita Castleton, the original home of the Bailes family is found in a privately owned 45,000 acre game reserve in the Sabi Sand Reserve, adjacent to the Kruger National Park. This area is fondly known as 'Big cat country'. Reminiscent of an African farmhouse, richly detailed interiors in a neutral palette contrast with traditional tartans and classic prints creating an unbuttoned, lived-in appeal. In this idyllic lodge setting, gracious service from the staff that includes a private guide, tracker, chef, and housekeeper is finely tuned to the dictates and desires of each guest.



GETTING TO SINGITA CASTLETON

By air

- We can arrange scheduled flights or private charters. All flights land at Singita's airstrip located 10 minutes from the lodge.
- On scheduled flights, luggage is restricted to soft sided bags. Weight allowance: 20 kg (44 lb) for checked luggage and 5 kg (11 lb) for hand luggage.
- Johannesburg – Singita Sabi Sand: approximately one hour.
- Nelspruit – Singita Sabi Sand: approximately 30 minutes.
- Private aircraft pilots land at their own risk and are advised to broadcast their intentions on frequency 124,8 MHz.

By road

- From Johannesburg: approximately 6½ hours' drive (± 500 km).
- From Hazyview: approximately 1¾ hours' drive (± 150 km).

A LUXURY EXPERIENCE IN THE HEART OF AFRICA

- Private boma with uninterrupted view of the watering hole.
- Private Land Rover with experienced field guide and tracker.
- The Singita Boutique & Gallery and the Premier Wine Boutique are nearby.
- Spa treatments available in the treatment room or in your private cottage.
- Private staff at each cottage to take care of your every need: house manager, chef, housekeeper, guide and tracker.
- There is a swimming pool on the front lawn overlooking the Castleton dam and the open grassland.
- Exercise room.
- Private tennis court with tennis pavilion.
- Trampoline for children (and adults) to have fun.
- Television set with DVD player and full satellite cable service in the main house.
- Complimentary internet access (WiFi). Due to the remote location of the lodge, connectivity can be slow and intermittent.
- Electricity supply is 220V AC. Converters are also available. Hairdryers are supplied in each suite.
- Children of all ages are welcome. We offer a babysitting service (to be booked in advance) as well as tailor-made activities to suit each family. In the interest of safety, childrens' participation in game activities will be at the discretion of your guide.
- Kosher or Halaal food is available at Singita Castleton at an additional charge – please book in advance.
- Mobile phone signal available dependent on area coverage.



WEATHER AND TEMPERATURE

Best time to go on safari

Southern Africa is a year-round destination. Traditionally the dry winter months (April to October) are best for game viewing, due to the shorter grass, lack of foliage and the absence of water which forces the game to concentrate around the remaining sources of drinking water. Annual rainfall, usually in the form of short afternoon thunder showers that clear up within an hour, occur from December to March. Many species give birth to their young around the start of the rainy season which is when the bush comes alive with newborn animals.

Average Seasonal temperature ranges

Spring (Sept - Nov)	Autumn (March - May)
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Low 20 °C / 68°F	Low 22 °C / 72 °F
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High 30 °C / 86°F	High 31 °C / 88 °F
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Summer (Dec - Feb)	Winter (June - Aug)
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Low 23 °C / 73 °F	Low 18 °C / 64 °F
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High 31 °C / 88 °F	High 29 °C / 84 °F
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The above temperatures are the monthly averages. The actual daily temperatures may differ from these.

THE FINER DETAILS

Our tariffs include

- Luxurious en-suite accommodation, breakfast, lunch and dinner daily, all drinks (including premium wines, spirits and liqueurs, but excluding French Champagne).
- Land Rover safaris, mountain biking and bush walks accompanied by an experienced guide.
- Private Land Rover, guide, host, chef and staff.
- Laundry and valet services.
- Road transfers to and from Singita airstrip.

Our tariffs exclude

- Telephone calls.
- Air transfers to and from the lodge.
- Spa treatments.
- Certain special meal requests.
- Purchases from the Singita Boutique & Gallery.
- Tourism Levy.

Check-in/check-out times and lodge closure

- The lodge is open year-round.
- Check-in time: 14h00.
- Check-out time: 11h00.
- Please note that guests wishing to check in before 14h00 and/or checking out after 11h00 are required to book an additional night at the Day Use Rate.

Payment options

We accept Visa, MasterCard and American Express cards.



Your safari begins as you stand on broad verandas overlooking a watering hole where animals gather to drink – a life-changing adventure where your story becomes a part of ours. Our skilled and experienced miracle making staff fulfill the promise of an unforgettable safari experience, at every turn.



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12 lodges and camps across 5 regions in Africa

South Africa

- Kruger National Park: Singita Lebombo and Sweni Lodges
- Sabi Sand: Singita Castleton, Boulders and Ebony Lodges

Tanzania

- Grumeti: Singita Sasakwa Lodge, Sabora Tented Camp, Faru Faru Lodge, Serengeti House and Explore
- Lamai: Singita Mara River Tented Camp

Zimbabwe

- Malilangwe Wildlife Reserve: Singita Pamushana Lodge