

What a Winner!

We've always known that Jonny Motsieloa, our Senior Field Guide and treasured member of our team for 20 years, is very special. But it was still a wonderful surprise when we heard he'd been recognised at the **Wanderlust Travel Awards** held in London in November 2021. Over 3000 guides were nominated and judged by a panel of experts - and Johnny took the Bronze award ...making him one of the **Top 3 Specialist Guides in the World**.

Jonny is a proud father of three who has loved nature all his life. He grew up in the Madikwe area as the son of a local farm labourer and stay-at-home mother. He actually attended school in what is today the NW Park Board office in the reserve.

Jonny has had a real journey to reach this accolade. He started working in the Reserve as a security guard in 1997 until he was given the opportunity to attend the Mafisa Training Programme run by our very own Chris Lucas to qualify as a field guide - his dream job! And the rest, as they say, is history!

Guests can head out on safari with Jonny, or the equally impressive and much-loved Justice who has been with us for 10 years already. Our camp is nestled right at the heart of this Big 5 malaria-free reserve and we are proud to be the park's only genuine eco lodge with an incredibly light footprint. Our camp is unfenced, rustic and intimate - and remains off grid to ensure a truly authentic bush experience. The lanterns by night and donkey boiler for hot showers only add to the magic! Trust us - and Wanderlust!



Senior Field Guide, Jonny Motsieloa
Wanderlust Specialist Guide 2021 Bronze Winner

VIDEO OF THE MONTH

Check out this amazing video clip of a very rare sighting of an aardvark!

This was a "first" for Justice - so the excitement was real! This video was sent to us by our guest, Ramon Lucas of Cape Tracks - Suid Afrika Reise.



Experiences shared

Mosetlha is the perfect spot to reconnect. Not just with nature - but with friends, family and even work colleagues. "Celebration Travel" is apparently a new trend since lockdown - with people having a newfound appreciation for making memories rather than being a consumerism and "things".

Contact us for discounted group rates to hire out the camp exclusively for friend and/or family breaks. Big birthdays, anniversaries, reunions - or just because you can! We'd love to host and tailor made your next photographic workshop, yoga/wellness retreat, business/life coaching session, vision boarding weekend - or a fun "bosberaad" (bush meeting/team building)



In October we took part in "Park Mahala" Week - a North West Parks Board initiative where 175 Grade 11 learners and 30 teachers from the local high schools are invited to experience the magic of Madikwe "mahala" (free) to encourage the next generation of conservationists. The children saw three male lions on a buffalo kill - and "hundreds" (quoting Justice) of elephants, as well as loads of general plains game and birds.

Safari & Saffron

Dates: 24 - 27 Feb 2023

Connect with nature, reflect - and learn more about yourself - and others.

Accomplished Enneagram expert and coach, [Saffron Baggallay](#) will share with us insights on the nine personality types and how to crack your own code, identify your patterns and interact more effectively.

No matter which personality you are - all are welcome at Mosetlha! Come find your pathway to the best version of yourself, and get the dust of Africa on your feet.

Add your name to our waiting list now to receive details of our very special package rate for the 3-night life changing workshop.

It's a Wild Life...

We love it when guests share staff and wildlife photos and videos from their trips. Here are a few of our favourites... Please feel free to tag us on your posts or email them to us for our next newsletter and social media channels...



OUR AFRICA. TRAVEL

April was a month of new experiences. Caroline signed up for the 3rd annual OurAfrica.Travel virtual trade show which was held between 22 March and 1 April 2022. It was a fantastic show and a great platform to introduce Mosetlha to some new markets around the world. We were delighted that there is still a genuine appetite for authentic bush camps and are enjoying working with our lovely new trade partners.



What's News ...

Play video



Our website has had a lovely makeover thanks to long-term friend, Tara Turkington whose agency, Flow Communications, recently won five awards at the 2022 New Generation Social & Digital Media Awards. Tara also filmed some of our team while she was here - sharing what we love most about Moseitha, which you can watch on YouTube [here](#) (or search for Moseitha)



Safari Highlights

Sometimes it pays to just hang around in the camp with a good view of the bird bath... recent visitors included two beautiful lionesses, a pregnant brown hyena, a warty or two - and some zebras...



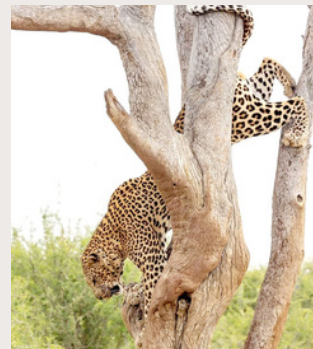
Just a few of the recent sightings our guests have shared with us...



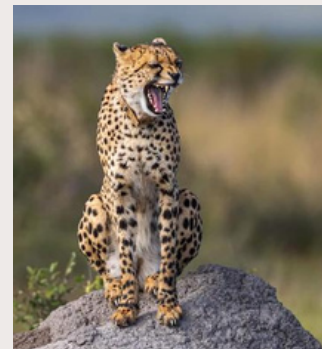
Tara Turkington



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Wolfgang Moeller



Marianne Kuehnast

Many Happy Returns



At Moseitha we're always excited to introduce new visitors to Madikwe - but we also love nothing more than welcoming back old friends ... who become like family!

We have a really high ratio of repeat visitors which we are very proud of - as it confirms that we are doing something right by keeping things simple and authentic. Almost 60% of our guests cannot wait to (and do regularly) return to our little retreat in the bush. They also leave us fabulous reviews. Just recently we ranked in the top 10% worldwide on TripAdvisor! Thanks to all of you for so many wonderful 5* reviews - and please keep them coming! Sharing your love for our bush camp on your social media keeps us sustainable and smiling.

As a show of appreciation for those who do choose to return, time after time, we offer a new **"Friends of Moseitha" loyalty discount**. This will depend on how busy the camp is, how long you stay - and how many times you have visited us in the past ... as well as the channel you are booking through. Our Moseitha family can't wait to welcome you back!



Special Free Night Offer

We are delighted to announce our free night offer for the period 20 November 2022 until 31 August 2023.

Stay for 4 nights ... and pay for only 3!

This offer is for new bookings only and is subject to availability. The special must be booked and confirmed by 31 March 2023 with travel before 31 Aug 2023, excluding peak dates ie 16 Dec - 3 Jan, Easter and other South African long weekends.

Current rates are R4,195 per person sharing per night. If a room is required for single occupancy, then a supplement of R500 applies.

Despite our rate increase, we are proud to remain the most affordable lodge in the Madikwe Reserve. Email us on info@thebushcamp.com to book your stay.



Walking for Rhinos



Every year around World Rhino Day (24 September) the Madikwe Game Reserve hosts a "Walking for Rhinos" event where various lodges in the reserve work together to raise both awareness and funding for the anti-poaching patrols and other rhino conservation projects in the reserve. There is a 3km blue route or a 6km red route to choose from - escorted by armed field rangers on foot, as well as field guides with game drive vehicles. The routes start and end at the beautiful "Ambush Alley" Pan, where stalls are set up with refreshments, crafts and information on various conservation projects. The Madikwe heroes of the day - the counter-poaching unit - also do a skills demonstration as a thank you. Members of the community are invited to participate along with guests staying in the reserve at R200 per adult or R100 per child. Why not book a stay at Mosetlha and join us for Sept 2023?

Wild Earth TV

We're thrilled to have the WildEarth film crew back in Madikwe, broadcasting some of our wildlife action in real time. The channel is streamed 24/7 to around 5 million people globally every month so it's been a wonderful way to raise awareness of our special part of the world. Dynamic duos Kevin (who takes our walking trails) and B'kay and Lauren and Dawie have shared some wonderful sightings so far! WildEarth.tv can be streamed live from wildearth.tv, on DSTV channel 183, via their App 2.0 or on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com) and catch highlights on "Best of SafariLIVE". **Watch out for our competition too.** Of course, nothing beats the real thing! The sounds of the bush, the smells, the birdsong.

Hyenas whooping and lions roaring in the night - or that G&T as you watch the sunset...

