

SELF-DRIVE DIRECTIONS – FACT SHEET 2019

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Access

The driving time from Johannesburg to Ivory Lodge and River Lodge is approximately 5 hours. Should you choose to drive, we recommend staying over a night at any of the mountain or country lodges along the Panorama Route to ensure you arrive at us fresh the next morning and ready for a spectacular safari experience.

Driving Directions

Recommended route from Johannesburg to Ivory Lodge and River Lodge (±5 hours)

On departure, please contact your lodge so that we can keep track of your journey and ensure you arrive safely

- Take the N12 or N4 highway to eMalahleni (formerly Witbank)
- From eMalahleni, follow the N4 highway past Middleburg and continue on to Mbombela (formerly Nelspruit)
- From Mbombela, take the R40 past White River and on to Hazyview
- At the T-junction between Kiepersol and Hazyview, turn left onto the R538 to Hazyview
- At the second set of traffic lights (there will be a shopping centre on your right), turn right onto the R536 towards Paul Kruger Gate (Kruger National Park)
- After following the road for 38km, turn left onto a gravel road signposted Lion Sands Sabi Sand
- Drive for 4km, then turn right at the T-junction, and drive for a further 4km to Shaw's Gate – the entrance to Sabi Sand Game Reserve – where an entrance fee is payable (credit cards accepted)
- Follow the signposted route on to Lion Sands Sabi Sand
- After 2km, turn right at the Lion Sands Sabi Sand sign
- Follow the signposted route on to either Ivory Lodge or River Lodge
- You will come to a control gate closer to the lodge – please sign in and enjoy our unique welcome

Please Note:

- This route is safe to drive; you will pass through rural areas where the locals are friendly
- Please drive carefully, and be aware of village pedestrians, children and domestic animals
- The gate into Sabi Sand Game Reserve opens at 05h00 and closes at 22h00; please let us know if you will be arriving outside of these hours so we can make the necessary arrangements for your entrance
- Once in the reserve, please strictly adhere to the speed limits and afford the animals right of way
- In winter (May to September) afternoon game drives depart at 16h00 and in summer (October to April) at 16h30; should you arrive after a departure, we can organise a link up for you

Driving Times and Distances

Approximate lengths of journeys to and from Ivory Lodge and River Lodge

Location	Travel Time	Kilometres	Miles
O.R. Tambo International Airport, Johannesburg	5h	490km	305mi
Hoedspruit Airport	2h15min	160km	100mi
Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport	1h45min	110km	68mi
Hazyview Airport	1h	67km	42mi
Paul Kruger Gate, Kruger National Park	45min	32km	20mi
Skukuza Airport	25min	12km	7mi