



We are a Horseback Safari Company operating in the Greater St Lucia Wetland Park in Zululand, South Africa. This is an incredible corner of Africa, in fact so fantastic it is a classified UNESCO World Heritage Area. The Park covers a mosaic of landforms that have created a vast array of biomes to support a very wide variety of animals, plants and birds. We have the highest bird count in all of Africa, the southern-most breeding spots for turtles in Africa, the worlds tallest forested dunes, the largest remaining stands of sand forest, the biggest peat beds in the Southern Hemisphere and vast wetlands.... and all of this runs alongside 220 kilometers of pristine beaches with the warm waters of the Indian Ocean, where turtles nest, whales often pass on their way to breed just a little further north in Mozambique and dolphins play in the surf





Horseback riding is a very natural way to watch game, being so quiet and peaceful that unless surprised, the game often hardly bothers to move far off as we pass. Game viewing is good all year and on safari we expect to see a wide variety of antelope, kudu, oribi, bushbuck, red and blue duikers, wildebeest, hippopotamus, zebra, crocodiles.

We hope to see black and white rhinoceros, leopard, cheetah, elephant, giraffe, wild dogs and Cape buffalo. This area is world renown for birding and there are many internationally important nesting areas. We have wonderful horses, mostly Boerperds who are known for their kind natures, strength and reliability, which is a perfect combination for safari horses - plus some Thoroughbred, and Thoroughbred X's. Our horses are fit, well schooled and well kept.





We run two styles of safari, both are completely mobile, tented camps that we move to suit the riding, the weather, the game and whatever else may happen.

Our safaris all start here in St Lucia, transfers to and from Richards Bay (our closet commercial airport) are included in the True Safari. We can organize transfers at additional cost for the Adventure Safari.

For either safari we suggest a stay of 6 nights/7 days as this gives long enough to settle into the rides and to move camp which gives us an opportunity to get further into the wilderness areas. However we will run safaris over longer or shorter periods of time.

We need a minimum of 2 pax to run a safari and we will only take a maximum of 6 riders. We can accept non-riders and there is much in the area to keep them interested, however some of the activities they choose to do may be additional costs. We try to tailor our rides to each group and so the rides are usually a longer ride in the cool of the morning, then back to camp for lunch and a siesta followed by either a short ride or another activity.

We can only accept riders with enough experience that they can handle a horse at any pace and speed. We ride in a big game area and for the safety of the individual and the group everyone must be capable of riding quickly away from possible danger. All riders wishing to come on safari must fill out our questionnaire and have insurance to cover any possible emergency.





### Adventure Safaris

This is a semi participation safari. It is basic but comfortable and the participation usually involves helping with the horses or handing around plates of food.

Accommodation is in large (3m x 3m) dome tents, linen and towels are included. Good but simple meals are supplied; we do however ask guests to bring their own carbonated or alcoholic drinks.

The long drop toilets and bucket shower facilities are shared.

Toiletries and torches are not supplied.



### True Safaris

This is a completely luxurious safari.

Guests stay in colonial style tents with their own verandah to sit and watch the bush between rides. Each tent has an en-suite bathroom with a hot bucket shower supplied when ever wanted and a chemical toilet for use at night.

Real beds are made up with beautiful cotton sheets, piles of pillows and soft duvets.

Laundry is done where possible.

Dinner is eaten under the stars at a table set with white linen, silver and crystal. Meals are of a world-class standard, encompassing as much fresh produce from the local area as possible, seafood is often included in the menus.

All drinks and wines are included.

Soaps, shampoos, insect repellent, mosquito coils and torches are supplied



### Daily Rides

For those with less time in the area we take out Game and Beach rides every day.

### Game Rides

**1 Hour** – for novices and experienced riders this is a short game viewing loop through the Reserve just south of the Greater Wetland Park.

**2 1/2 Hour** – also for novices and experienced riders, this game viewing ride is through the reserve and into the edge of the Greater Wetland Park

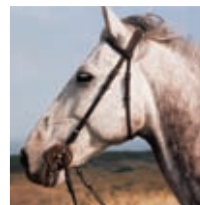
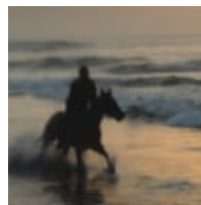
**1/2 Day** – for at least slightly experienced riders as there is a chance of coming across large game as you ride into the Greater Wetland Park.



### Beach Rides

**1 and 2 Hour** – for those who have never ridden before and even for ‘old hands’ there is little more romantic than a ride along the beautiful white sand beside rolling waves. On lucky days dolphins ride the waves along side as we head up the beach. In Summer we can see the tracks of turtles who came in the previous night to nest and July to November migrating whales pass on their way to Mozambique.





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