



Makuwa Safari Lodge is an easy self-drive route and is located in a prime destination nestled between big five game reserves, and a stone's throw away from the Kruger's Orpen Gate which allows quick access into the central Kruger National Park. Makuwa is located on a private sector of land occupying 70 hectares of bushveld bordering the Thornybush Nature Reserve and Sandringham Nature Reserve along the Orpen and Avoca Roads. The closest airport is Eastgate/Hoedspruit Airport, and the closest major international airport is O.R Tambo in Johannesburg. From Johannesburg you can either selfdrive (6 hours) or arrange a scheduled/private transfer from the airport.

From Johannesburg/Pretoria

Take the N4 highway towards eMalahleni (Witbank) / Middelburg. Continue on past eMalahleni (Witbank) +/- 87km were you will take the R540 / Belfast turnoff to your left. Travel through Belfast and continue on 35 km to Dullstroom, then Lydenburg (50km). After travelling straight through Lydenburg you will then be on the R36 to Ohrigstad (45km). Continue 70km over the Abel Erasmus pass, through the JG Strydom tunnel and continue on until you get to the Khamai reptile park on your left. Here you turn right on to the R531 towards Klaserie and Orpen. Continue straight 32km until you get to the R531 / Orpen turnoff to your left, which you will take. We are then 15 kilometres down this road on the left hand side.

Turn into the main gate called Avoca / Ilkley Game Ranch. The guard will let you in - tell them you are going to Makuwa Safari Lodge. Take an immediate left through a second gate which the guard will open for you. From there, follow the Makuwa signs on the network of sandy roads.

From Hoedspruit

Exit Hoedspruit on the R40 (Klaserie Road) and travel in a southerly direction (towards White River/Hazyview) for 23 km until reaching a T-Junction. Here, turn left on the R40 and continue for 2km before turning left onto the R531 towards Orpen. We are then 15 kilometres down this road on the left hand side. Turn into the main gate called Avoca / Ilkley Game Ranch. The guard will let you in - tell them you are going to Makuwa Safari Lodge. Take an immediate left through a second gate which the guard will open for you. From there, follow the Makuwa signs on the network of sandy roads.