



**SOUTHERN SKY
ADVENTURES**
AFRICA...IN YOUR WILDEST DREAMS.

Sabi Sand Photo Safari

4 Nights | 1 Stop | 8 Game Drives

Available from \$2,500 per person

Elephant Plains Game Lodge is arguably one of the best photographic destinations in Southern Africa. What makes this lodge even more spectacular is the unrivaled opportunity to photograph wild leopard. Elephant Plains Game Lodge has to be the premier leopard lodge in the world...!

You get to experience this top rated luxury lodge in the heart of South Africa's Greater Kruger National Park, with our own private photographic vehicles. You can expect to photograph leopard as you have never done before with our professional host photographers sharing their intricate knowledge and secrets on how to capture and work with big cats at night. Their amazing volume of work is unrivaled in the industry and speaks for itself.





Day 1

After arrival at the Lodge, refreshments and a short briefing, your first afternoon drive leaves the lodge at around 4pm.

You will start taking photographs almost immediately as you encounter any of the vast array of wildlife species.

Your expert Sabi Sand wildlife photographer will guide, advise and make suggestions as you frame your shots and then take images as never before.

You return to camp, where a meeting with your fellows in the bar area is followed by a gourmet meal served around a blazing fire, under the starry, starry African sky.

After supper, you have the choice of some in-depth photography lessons and advice from the renowned wildlife photographer who accompanies you on the drives, and then gives tutorials between these times.



DAYS 2 to 5: *Morning Safaris and Photography*



- At around 4:30am, a knock at your door gets you springing from your bed.
- Yes! A day of adventure awaits!
- The vehicles leave at 5:00am – the best time for animal activity, and to increase the chances of an encounter with nocturnal and crepuscular species.
- You will leave the camp in the darkness, and soon the first faint hints of the coming sunrise are apparent, but not before your guides and trackers have pointed out an array of animals and birds for you to photograph in these unique surroundings and conditions.
- When the sun has risen over the horizon, a stop for a welcome cup of hot coffee or tea, with delicious rusks, biscuits and other home-made treats is enjoyed as you listen to the dawn chorus of birds.
- Back on the vehicle, you will again have the opportunity to capture wonderful shots of a variety of wildlife in their natural habitat. Hippo, cheetah, hyena, giraffe, impala, kudu, waterbuck, bushbuck, vervet monkeys, baboons, and a seemingly endless list of wildlife in addition to the lion, leopard, rhino, buffalo and elephant that make up the Big 5.
- A splendid breakfast back at the lodge is followed by a few hours for you to choose an activity.
- Would you like to join the professional photography group for tutorials on your images, including the use of lightroom? Would you like a quick nap during this peaceful, quiet time of day – when many of the animals in the bush are slumbering, too. Would you like a quick swim? A massage? A workout in the gym? A game of billiards or table tennis? A guided walk through the bush?

DAYS 2 to 4: *Afternoon game drive*

- Somehow, whatever your choice, the time, including a delicious lunchtime spread seems to fly past, and you find yourself clambering back onto your vehicle, heart pounding with excitement, for your afternoon adventure.
- Your game drive is punctuated by a brief stop for sundowners and snacks as you watch the sun dip majestically to the horizon.
- Back on your vehicle you look out for the many animals that are most active at this time, followed by a return to the lodge for your evening activity and meal.
- And this is how you will spend your 5 wonderful days, deep in the African bush, with a superb blend of Africa experienced at its most luxurious.



DAY 5: *Final Game Drive and Farewells*

The final day finds you heading back to civilization after your morning game drive and breakfast, confident that you will be back, and with your memory cards filled with photographs for you to relive the amazing time you enjoyed here.



Safari highlights:

- Unrivaled leopard photography
- Unrivaled night photography and training using different light sources
- Private photographic vehicles with camera supports and gimbal heads
- Photographic workshops everyday between game drives
- Luxury lodge with gym, spa, bush walks and more
- All rooms have air conditioning
- Professional host photographers with intense knowledge of the area and photography

Included:

- Services of photo hosts
- All meals, teas & coffees
- 4 nights' accommodation
- All activities
- Photographic workshops

Not included:

- Visas
- Telephone calls
- Gratuities
- Purchases of a personal nature
- Travel costs to Elephant Plains either driving or chartered flights
- International or local airfare

