Elandsberg Wilderness Camp

The cottages are nestled in the Elandsberg Hill range approximately 20km from the Park Offices, with beautiful views of Karoo plains and the imposing Roggeveld Escarpment. Built from locally-made unceded “sky and straw” bricks and rocks excavated on site, this cottage evokes the spirit of a bygone era - simpler, more peaceful.

- 3 x 1 bedroom cottages, (max 4 guests per cottage)
- 1 x 1 bedroom universal unit, (max 4 guests)
- 1 x 2 bedroom cottage, (max 6 guests)

Each cottage comprises one bathroom (shower only), an open-plan kitchen and living room with a fireplace and queen-sized sleeper couch, a covered stoep/urban area, as well as a splash pool.

All units are fully equipped with linen, cutlery, crockery, towels, cooking utensils, gas appliances, paraffin lamps and candles.

Please contact the Park office for other available accommodation and camping, Tel: +27 (0)27 341 1927

Wildlife Information:
- Last stops for fuel (measured from park offices) are Ceres (180km), Calvinia (110km), Sutherland (140km – closed from 13:00 on Saturdays for the weekend) and Middelbos (50km - only Unleaded Petrol and Diesel) – Diesel available in the Park.
- No stops, restaurants or ATMs in the Park.
- General dealer and bottle store in Middelbos.

No cell phone reception within the Park as well as main access roads.
- Credit card and Visa Card facilities available.
- Advance booking is required to prevent disappointment.
- Wood for sale in the Park.

Roads

Please take care when driving in this region. The road gravel is sharp and often bumpy, be very careful when taking corners and making sudden stops. Please give some thought to your fuel and water requirements, bearing in mind that the closest refuelling points are Ceres, Sutherland, Middelbos and Calvinia. Consider packing a full Jerry can.

Please do:
- Bring insect repellent and sun-block.
- Bring birding books and other local and animal field guides as well as binoculars.
- Remember to bring lots of warm clothing in winter and lots of cool gear for summer!

Please don’t:
- Litter.
- Feed, disturb or injure any animal.
- Bring any pets into Tankwa National Park.
- Take any firearms into Tankwa National Park.
- Stay overnight at any other place than those designated as camping or overnight facilities.
- Damage, remove or destroy any natural (flora, plants, animals or rocks) or human artefacts.
- Light any fires at places not designated as camping or overnight facilities.
- Leave the road at any point.

Luminous clouds of dust swirl through the ancient landscape while a tortoise patientely ambles around in search of a succulent mesquite and gasteron in the sun and gambols and red hartebeest share the arid plains with bat-eared foxes, bokspoor spiders and begtjieskraals...

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This Park has various small mammal species, including Duiker, Steenbok, P.incua, and Black-backed Jackal among others. Cape Mountain Zebra, Red Hartbeest, Gemsbok, and Springbok have also been reintroduced and further introductions of these species, and others such as Eland, will continue until viable populations have been established. Kudu have also found their way into this Park and have made it their home. Furthermore, the Park is host to a multitude of birds with 187 species recorded to date.

While Tankwa National Park is still in a developmental and land consolidation phase, expanding from the original 26,000 hectares in 1986 to 142,600 ha by October 2011, it is the ideal destination for those seeking the brightest stars in Africa, a once-in-a-lifetime glimpse of a rare endemic bird or perhaps nothing more than a silence that reaches deep into the soul...

Watch in awe as the brilliant night sky darkens and thunder clouds through the tranquility as the power of a Karoo thunderstorm sends lightning dancing across the horizon. Witness the desertscapes dawning its cloak of green in winter and transforming into a riot of colour with the abundance of spring. This truly is a land of all seasons with something to suit anyone who feels the call of unspoiled Mother Nature.