Visit South African National Parks

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This edition’s featured park is the Mokala National Park:
- Mokala National Park is located southwest of Kimberley in the Northern Cape Province just off the N12. There are two ways to enter the park: the Lilydale Gate turnoff is 37km south of Kimberley, while the Mosu Lodge turnoff is 57km south.
- Mokala is the Tswana name for the Camel Thorn Tree. Mokala was proclaimed as a national park as recently as June 2007, to replace the deproclaimed Vaalbos National Park, and ensure that a sample of the unique habitat of the region remained under formal state protection.
- The major conservation attraction of Mokala is as a breeding reserve for several rare large herbivores such as roan antelope, sable antelope, tsessebe, disease-free buffalo and both black and white rhinoceros.
- Mokala is an excellent end destination to spend a few days relaxing and exploring the park and surrounding area, but it is also an excellent stop-over destination for people driving between the Western Cape and the interior to break the length of the journey.
- There are currently 2 universally accessible accommodation units in the park, one at Mosu Lodge (main camp) and one at Lilydale. Both these units have roll-in showers.
- Mosu Lodge is equipped with a network of pathways that allow ease of movement for wheelchair using guests. The accessible unit has a permanent ramp, while the camp’s restaurant has a mobile ramp that they put down when guest’s require it. Lilydale Camp’s reception block is also equipped with a wheelchair friendly pathway.
- The game/bird viewing hide at Stofdam has a section of the hide adapted to cater for viewers in wheelchairs.
- One of the park’s game drive vehicles has a removable seat that can accommodate a guest in a wheelchair.
- Visitors should be aware that there is no fuel or fresh produce available in the park. Modderrivier is the closest fuel. Mosu Lodge has a restaurant which is open for 3 meals a day, while bush braais are an additional culinary option.
- For advanced queries or special requirements contact the camp directly on (053) 204 0158.

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