


Babanango
GAME RESERVE

OGOMENI TRAILS CAMP





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WALKING SAFARI EXPERIENCE

Step away from the vehicle and into the rhythm of the wild.

A walking safari at Babanango Game Reserve is one of the most immersive ways to experience the African bush. Slower, quieter, and deeply connected, this is where every step reveals something new — from the story told in a set of tracks pressed into the earth, to the scent of wild herbs carried on the breeze, to the distant call of wildlife echoing through the valleys.

Set within over 20,000 hectares of diverse and dramatic landscape, Babanango offers a wilderness that feels both vast and untouched. Here, towering cliffs, open grasslands, river valleys and ancient geological formations create a constantly changing backdrop to your journey on foot.

At the heart of this experience lies Ogomeni Trails Camp, a remote and intimate camp designed to bring you closer to nature. This is not about luxury in the traditional sense, but rather a return to something more meaningful — simplicity, authenticity, and connection.

Guided by qualified Trails guides, each walk becomes a journey of discovery. Learn to read the subtle language of the bush, track wildlife, uncover hidden details, often missed on game drives, and experience the quiet thrill of encountering animals on foot within a Big Five reserve.

There is a certain awareness that comes with walking in the wild. Your senses heighten, time slows, and you become part of the landscape rather than just an observer of it. As the day unfolds, the experience shifts seamlessly from exploration to reflection. Evenings are spent around the fire beneath a vast African sky, sharing stories of the day's sightings, before retreating to your canvas tent where the sounds of the wilderness become your lullaby.

This is more than a safari. It is a return to nature, to stillness, and to a deeper, more meaningful way of experiencing the wild.



OGOMENI TRAILS CAMP PACKAGE

Your walking safari experience begins on arrival at Zulu Rock HUB, where you will be welcomed and briefed by your guide. From here, you are transferred into the reserve to Ogomeni Trails Camp, where your fully guided trails experience takes place.

Over the course of your stay, daily activities, meals, and accommodation are all included, allowing for a seamless and immersive wilderness experience.

INCLUDED IN THE RATE

- Return transfers between Zulu Rock HUB and Ogomeni Trails Camp
- Guided walking safaris with qualified Trails guides
- Morning and afternoon wilderness activities
- All meals, snacks, and selected beverages
- Sundowner drinks and snacks
- Fireside dinners and stargazing
- Accommodation in canvas safari tents
- Hot water bottles in winter

EXCLUDED FROM THE RATE

- Premium beverages not specified
- Transfers to and from Babanango Game Reserve
- Daily levies
- Gratuities and personal expenses

GENERAL INFORMATION

This experience requires a minimum stay of 2 nights, with a minimum of 2 guests and a maximum of 8 guests per trail. It is suitable for guests aged 16 years and older, and a moderate level of fitness (Level 3) is required due to the nature of the terrain and walking activities.

This is an off-grid experience with no electricity and limited mobile connectivity, allowing for a fully immersive connection to the natural surroundings. Ablution facilities are simple and in keeping with the trails experience, with a flushing toilet in each tent. All activities are weather dependent and conducted by qualified Trails guides.



RATES

A fully guided walking safari experience hosted at Ogomeni Trails Camp, designed for small groups seeking an immersive and authentic connection to the wilderness.

Your experience includes all guided walking activities, meals, and accommodation, allowing you to fully focus on the rhythm of the bush and the journey on foot.

Group Size: Minimum 2 | Maximum 8 guests

DOMESTIC RATES (PER PERSON SHARING)

- 2 Nights - R13,450
- 3 Nights - R18,450
- 4 Nights - R24,350

INTERNATIONAL RATES (PER PERSON SHARING)

- 2 Nights - R13,900
- 3 Nights - R19,050
- 4 Nights - R25,100

IMPORTANT NOTES

- Rates are per person sharing
- Daily levies of R200 per person per day (excluded)
- Subject to availability and seasonal variation



TRAIL INFORMATION & SEASONS

TRAIL INFORMATION

- **Location:** Babanango Game Reserve, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa
- **Experience Duration:** 2, 3 or 4 nights
- **Group Size:** Maximum 8 guests
- **Meals:** Fully catered
- **Fitness Level:** Moderate (Level 3)
- **2026 Trails Season:** Mid-March to Mid-October

WHEN TO VISIT

Each season at Babanango offers a different perspective of the wilderness:

- **March – April**
Lush landscapes following the summer rains, excellent for birdlife and greenery
- **May – August (Dry Season)**
Clear skies, cooler temperatures, and optimal game viewing conditions
Ideal for walking safaris with crisp mornings and minimal rainfall
- **September – October**
Warmer conditions as the bush transitions into summer, with increased wildlife activity and changing scenery

PLEASE NOTE:

This activity requires a reasonable level of physical fitness. Guests must be capable of walking approximately 15–20 km per day over uneven and potentially difficult terrain, for up to 5 hours including breaks, while carrying a small daypack.

Should you have any chronic or pre-existing illnesses, please provide a medical certificate from your doctor.



WHAT TO PACK

Packing for a walking safari is all about comfort, practicality, and blending into the natural environment. Neutral tones, lightweight layers, and well-worn footwear will ensure you are prepared for both the terrain and changing conditions throughout the day.

ESSENTIALS

- Daypack
- Walking Shoes (worn in) – new shoes not ideal
- Gaiters
- Guests are encouraged to purchase Bayticol, a highly effective tick deterrent
- Suitably coloured clothing that blends in with the surroundings (no white, red, yellow, orange, purple, bright blue and pink)
- Hat and Sunglasses
- Flip-flops/Sandals (for around the camp)
- Sarong (can be used as blanket, sun protection and covering)
- Waterproof poncho (just in case!)
- Winter nights will be quite cold so be prepared with a warm jacket, and layers



ADDITIONAL ITEMS

- Sunscreen
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Small first-aid kit
- Water bottle (at least 1.5 litres)
- Snacks to take for your walks, if you wish
- Headlamp or torch and spare batteries
- Binoculars and cameras (optional)
- Personal medication
- Power bank (for limited charging opportunities)



Luggage should be kept light and practical, as space at camp is limited.



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