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Lalibela's "new-look" Lentaba



Lentaba Lodge at Lalibela Game Reserve in South Africa's Eastern Cape reopened on 1 September having undergone a complete refurbishment and upgrade. Not only has it got a fresh, vibrant "new look" with all rooms enlarged - but an additional two new rooms have been built, making Lentaba now a 10-roomed lodge. There are now two room categories including 5 classic rooms and 5 luxury rooms with the main difference being that the luxury rooms have baths and showers whilst classic rooms have only showers.

Said Rob Gradwell, GM at Lalibela: *"The new owners of Lalibela were determined that the new-look needed to significantly increase the comfort levels for guests whilst keeping a safari/bush feel. All rooms were enlarged and greater emphasis was placed on maximising the views of the lush valley that Lentaba is positioned in. We are extremely happy with the outcome and I am very proud of my team who worked 7-day weeks and long hours. Our focus now moves to completing the luxury 5-bedroomed exclusive-use private villa, which will open before the busy season starts".*

Since purchasing Lalibela in late July 2016, the new owners have significantly increased the size of Lalibela, added vast numbers of game and embarked on a host of environmental & staff upliftment projects, including demolishing all old staff housing and building new accommodation.

Vernon Wait, Marketing Manager: *"One cannot help but be enthused by and admire the passion and commitment that the new owners have. I distinctly remember the first conversation I had with them – their first priority was going to be staff welfare & upliftment and the rehabilitation & enhancement of our fauna and flora and then the emphasis was to shift to upgrading and up-scaling the accommodation offering."*

With the soon-to-be opened exclusive-use Mills Manor private villa, Lalibela's offering will include: Lentaba Lodge (20 beds), Tree Tops tented Camp (10 beds), Marks Camp (26 beds) and Mills Manor (10 beds).

Lalibela also recently introduced **new "soft" adventure activities** for the whole family within the predator-free breeding section of the reserve including guided walking safaris, cycling safaris and fishing. In the reserve guests will get very close to non-dangerous game such as wildebeest, zebra and giraffe. The area is also malaria-free and combines perfectly with a beach stay along the Eastern Cape coastline.

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