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A Bold New Chapter

THE POT LUCK CLUB JOHANNESBURG OPENS AT THE PEECH HOTEL

Johannesburg's dining scene has reached new heights with The Pot Luck Club relocating from Oxford Parks in Rosebank to The Peech Hotel in Melrose. Renowned for its globally inspired, small-plate dining, this move marks a significant milestone for both the restaurant and the boutique hotel.

Celebrating its 20th anniversary in 2024, The Peech Hotel's partnership with The Pot Luck Club enhances its commitment to understated elegance and exceptional hospitality. Nestled within the hotel's two-acre garden, the new venue offers indoor and alfresco dining, featuring family-friendly Sunday lunches and vibrant gatherings. Regular patrons will appreciate the familiar interior design touches.

James and Vicky, owners of The Peech, have long envisioned a space blending comfort, style, and top-tier service. Collaborating with Luke Dale Roberts and his team, ushers in a new era, aligning with this vision while infusing culinary innovation.

Once home to Basalt, the restaurant has been transformed through a collaboration between Aparna Ramani and Richard Ball. The design balances The Pot Luck Club's urban energy with The Peech's tranquillity. Warmth and texture come from natural materials like Namibian marble, oak flooring, and terracotta tiles, while industrial elements such as exposed steel and grey tiles offer contrast. Original furniture has been thoughtfully updated, ensuring continuity.

Art plays a defining role, with Maia Lehr-Sacks' origami installation adding movement, and David Tsoka's monotype artworks exploring interconnectedness. Soft LED lighting accentuates architectural features, creating a space that feels both fresh and familiar.

Head Chef Ebie du Toit, alongside Group Executive Chef Jason Kosmas, ensures the menu retains its beloved character while embracing fresh influences. Diners can expect favourites like chickpea fries with aioli and smoked ketchup, and the signature beef fillet with café au lait sauce. New dishes keep the menu dynamic, appealing to both loyal guests and first-time visitors.

The Pot Luck Club is also celebrated for its inventive cocktails and curated wine list highlighting small, notable producers. Day-to-day operations are led by Gray Tawanda, bringing extensive experience from the Cape Town branch.

Open for lunch Wednesday to Sunday and dinner Tuesday to Saturday, The Pot Luck Club Johannesburg promises to become a must-visit destination for local food lovers and international guests alike.

www.thepotluckclubjhb.co.za | www.thepeech.co.za



Dining Destinations You Can't Miss

THE BEACH HOUSE OPENS IN YZERFONTEIN

Celebrated chefs Darren Badenhorst and Callan Austin have launched The Beach House—a new culinary gem perched along Yzerfontein's stunning 16-Mile Beach. Known for their acclaimed restaurant DUSK in Stellenbosch, the duo pay tribute to their roots with a venue that celebrates the West Coast's raw beauty, rich heritage, and deep connection to the sea.

The reimagined 80-year-old beach house, redesigned by local designer Hayley Breytenbach, blends coastal charm with Ralph Lauren's timeless summer style. Inside, the atmosphere is relaxed yet sophisticated—perfect for seaside dining with a view.

At the kitchen's helm is Jacques Grove, whose global experience brings refined yet approachable coastline cuisine. The menu focuses on local ingredients—freshly harvested mussels, foraged beach herbs, and seafood sourced daily from local fishermen—prepared with world-class techniques. Hadge Maulana, a seasoned sommelier and restaurant manager, leads the front-of-house team, ensuring warm and polished service.

Sustainability and community connection are central to The Beach House experience, making it more than just a restaurant—it's a celebration of the region's spirit.

Already becoming a coastal icon, The Beach House invites both locals and visitors to experience Yzerfontein's culinary soul.

reservations@beachhouserestaurant.co.za



TERRARIUM OPENS AT QUEEN VICTORIA HOTEL, V&A WATERFRONT

Chef Chris Erasmus has unveiled Terrarium, a fine-dining restaurant bringing refined, innovative cuisine to the five-star Queen Victoria Hotel at the V&A Waterfront. Known for his creativity and sustainable approach, Chef Chris collaborates with Newmark's Group Sommelier Marlvn Gwese and Head Chef Anlou Erasmus to craft a dining experience that balances sophistication with environmental consciousness.

Terrarium's culinary highlight is its eight-course Fauna and Flora menus. The Fauna option celebrates hyperlocal seafood and meat dishes, while Flora offers a plant-based journey for those seeking vibrant, sustainable alternatives. For a more casual experience, guests can choose from a small plates à la carte menu.

Beyond its culinary offerings, Terrarium emphasizes art and music, showcasing works by emerging South African artists and featuring live performances to enhance the dining ambiance.

Terrarium promises a sensory journey, combining exceptional flavours, artistry, and music in the heart of Cape Town.

terrarium@queenvictoriahotel.co.za



SEEBAMBOES – A CULINARY DIALOGUE BETWEEN LAND & SEA

Following the success of GALJOEN, chef-restaurateurs Anouchka Horn and Neil Swart, known for Belly of the Beast, have now launched SEEBAMBOES—a reimagining of the "surf and turf" concept. This intimate 16-seater restaurant sits above GALJOEN on Harrington Street in Cape Town.

Partnering with chef Adél Hughes and artist Liebet Jooste, SEEBAMBOES offers a tasting menu focused on innovative pairings of sea- and land-harvested ingredients. Diners can expect dishes like kelp spaghetti with mushrooms and wagyu brisket, or octopus with roasted tomatoes. Sustainability is central—only South African-sourced ingredients are used.

The restaurant's name pays homage to the native kelp *Ecklonia maxima* and the broader conversation between ocean and land. The space, designed with reclaimed materials, evokes the shoreline with sea-sand-embedded glass and hues inspired by sea bamboo.

Guests can enjoy an eight-course tasting menu (R1200 per person) from Tuesday to Saturday evenings. Wines are thoughtfully selected, highlighting lesser-known local producers with many available by the glass.

www.seebamboescpt.co.za





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The centenary not only commemorates a legacy but also propels Pinotage into a new era of global recognition, innovation, and exploration.

Celebrations will unite wine lovers, industry leaders, and cultural enthusiasts through a series of events highlighting Pinotage’s journey—past, present, and future.

This is more than a centenary—it is a defining moment in the Pinotage story. A chance to reimagine, rediscover, and revel in the bold spirit of South Africa’s signature varietal.

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Welcome to Franschoek Cellar

Inspired by over 350 years of winemaking tradition and heritage, Franschoek Cellar is home to a vibrant and celebrated range of wines.

Join for specially curated wine tastings that include artisanal chocolates and cheeses, or for a delicious deli style lunch under the oak trees. Franschoek Cellar also has a supervised kiddie’s playground, which means fun for the whole family!

Two luxury cottages on the premises are the perfect central base from which to explore the Franschoek Valley and the greater Winelands.

Included in the offering, Franschoek Cellar has a selection of unique event venues to suit every occasion, from weddings, birthdays, anniversaries, year-end corporate groups to intimate gatherings.

Franschoek Cellar is a beautiful asset to the Franschoek wine route, combining the charms of leisurely country life with the elegance of a worldclass venue to suit every need.

The team look forward to seeing you.

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A Reimagined Experience at La Motte

La Motte Wine Estate has announced the re-opening of its acclaimed tourism experience, welcoming guests to an inspired reimagining of the cherished farm. Rooted in French heritage and enriched by their South African story, this refresh offers an accessible yet elevated experience and an invitation to savour, explore, and connect.

Discover thoughtfully curated spaces, each designed to celebrate a unique facet of La Motte: an inviting tasting room showcasing the artistry of their wines, a family-friendly brasserie brimming with heart-warming fare, a reimagined farm shop filled with local treasures, and the Ateljee – a creative haven celebrating art and the craft of local makers.

“Opening our family farm to the public is about sharing what makes La Motte truly special,” says the La Motte family. “This refresh builds on our heritage to create a renewed sense of place – a space that is rooted in authenticity, welcoming in spirit, and alive with new discoveries.”

WELCOME TO L'AMI FAMILY BRASSERIE

L’Ami, the new family brasserie at La Motte, is a space where moments are savoured, and meals are shared. With its relaxed indoor ambiance and an inviting wrap-around stoep, it’s the perfect setting to gather and enjoy the simple pleasure of a beautifully prepared meal.

LOCALLY INSPIRED TREASURES

Inspired by the natural beauty of La Motte and its passion for artistry and exceptional craftsmanship, the La Motte Farm Shop is a reflection of collaboration and vision. This

space is the brainchild of Berdine Swart, owner of The Local Edit and founder of The Apiary Studio. The shop offers a carefully curated selection of artisan-made treasures. From handwoven linen and bespoke kitchenware to pottery sourced from local kilns, each piece reflects the essence of indigenous landscapes and La Motte’s dedication to quality.

A SLICE OF FARM LIFE

Stocked with everything you need for a delightful picnic or a casual gathering at home, the La Motte Spens offers a charming nod to the old-fashioned farm pantry. This thoughtfully curated space is filled with quality, down-to-earth foods that celebrate the essence of farm life.

A THOUGHTFUL PAUSE AND A GLASS OF WINE

In the La Motte Tasting Room, guests are invited to slow down, to savour, and to explore wines that embody the estate’s unwavering dedication to quality and authenticity. Set against the backdrop of the maturation cellar and the rhythm of a working winery, the Tasting Room offers an exceptional wine experience. Now extending to a tranquil veranda overlooking a serene pond and the estate’s gardens, it is a setting designed to inspire connection – both with the wine and the moment.

ART IN THE ATELJEE

Continuing the family’s passion for art, the Ateljee is a creative space to engage with artworks, artists and makers. Enjoy the exhibitions, meet the makers, see their creative processes, and join in the making. The first season is themed “sharing that which brings great joy” and exhibits painting, ceramic and textile art and products, with a soon to be introduced programme of workshops and events presented by the artists and makers.

Regulars to the estate will be relieved that much-loved experiences are still available. The popular La Motte Artisanal Bakery and Garden Café with its beautiful breads and patisserie as well as relaxed breakfasts and lunches and wonderful family-friendly garden setting continues to be a favourite to locals and visitors alike as are the exceptional food experience of JAN Franschoek and the estate’s picturesque mountainside hiking trail. Guests can keep an eye out for the announcement of more experiences and events in the near future.

For more information and reservations, visit la-motte.com or contact the estate, +27 (0)21 876 8000 | info@la-motte.co.za





Discover La Clé Franschhoek

AN EXCLUSIVE VILLA ESCAPE IN THE CAPE WINELANDS

Experience the charm and elegance of La Clé, where luxury meets authenticity in the heart of South Africa's culinary capital. Offering four exclusive-use villas, La Clé provides privacy, refined comfort, and immersive local experiences—ideal for couples, families, or friends seeking an unforgettable retreat.

WHY YOU'LL LOVE LA CLÉ

- **Exclusive Villa Stays:** Enjoy total seclusion in one of La Clé's four beautifully designed exclusive-use villas, surrounded by vineyards and mountain views. Whether it's a romantic getaway or a gathering with loved ones, each villa offers a spacious, stylish retreat.
- **New Couple-Only Offer:** Escape to Galerie or Manoir villa with an exclusive couple-only rate, perfect for those seeking a more intimate stay with all the comforts of a private villa.
- **Prime Location:** Just a five-minute stroll from Franschhoek's vibrant main street, La Clé is perfectly positioned to explore world-class restaurants, boutique shopping, and art galleries.
- **Tailored Culinary Experiences:** Indulge in gourmet meals crafted with fresh local ingredients, from elegant fine dining to relaxed South African braais under the stars.

Follow us on socials and sign up to our newsletter to receive an Exclusive voucher and save 10% on accommodation for stays between 15 March and 15 December 2025 if booked before 31st May.

Unwind in a space where privacy, indulgence, and world-class hospitality come together in the heart of the Cape Winelands.

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Your Dream Wedding at Mont Rochelle

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Mont Rochelle believes your wedding should be as unique as your love story. Their experienced team will be with you every step of the way, ensuring a seamless and stress-free celebration filled with love, laughter, and plenty of local charm.

Perfect for couples who want a destination wedding without leaving the country. Whether you're planning a lavish party or a more relaxed gathering with your nearest and dearest, the whole estate can be yours to make truly magical.

Say 'I do' surrounded by rolling vineyards and towering mountains before celebrating in true Winelands style with incredible cuisine and award-winning wines from their own winery. Every detail can be tailored to suit your vision.

With 26 beautifully designed rooms and suites, your guests can settle in and enjoy everything from spa treatments to wine tastings and scenic picnics. And for the happy couple? The private Manor House is the ultimate retreat, offering luxury, exclusivity, and your own pool surrounded by vineyard and valley views.

Why go far when the perfect wedding destination is right here in South Africa? Make your dream day a reality at Mont Rochelle. Get in touch to start planning!

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A Safari Retreat in the Timbavati Nature Reserve

Discover the timeless beauty of Tanda Tula, set in the renowned Timbavati Nature Reserve. As the seasons shift, experience the bush in a quieter, more intimate way, where wildlife is more visible and the landscape takes on a crisp, captivating charm.

WHY YOU'LL LOVE TANDA TULA

- **Authentic Safari Adventures:** Embark on game drives and guided walks with some of the most skilled trackers in the Greater Kruger. Encounter the Big Five and a diverse array of wildlife in their natural habitat.
- **Unforgettable Wildlife Encounters:** Cooler temperatures and thinning vegetation make for exceptional sightings. Lions and elusive leopards roam the open plains, while elephants and other wildlife gather at waterholes—offering dramatic and intimate safari moments.
- **Elegant, Immersive Accommodation:** Tanda Tula's spacious tented suites blend seamlessly with nature. Wake to birdsong at dawn and unwind by the fire as the evening air turns crisp, embracing the perfect balance of adventure and relaxation.
- **Flavours of the Bush:** From elegant, seasonal dishes by Chef Ryan to traditional South African braais under the stars, dining at Tanda Tula is a celebration of bold flavours, fine wines, and fireside storytelling.

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Escape to Sunshine & Serenity

AZURA BOUTIQUE RETREATS IN MOZAMBIQUE

Escape the chill of winter and bask in the year-round warmth of Mozambique with Azura Boutique Retreats. Offering two exceptional properties, including the soon-to-open Azura Marlin Beach in May, Azura Boutique Retreats provides the perfect sun-soaked escape. Whether you're seeking tranquility or adventure, this coastal paradise promises an unforgettable experience.

WHY YOU'LL LOVE AZURA

- **Beachfront Bliss:** Azura's luxurious beachfront villas at both Azura Benguerra Island and the soon-to-open Azura Marlin Beach offer stunning views of the Indian Ocean and unparalleled privacy. With expansive, sun-drenched beaches and crystal-clear waters, it's the perfect escape from the South African winter.
- **Unmatched Seclusion:** Whether you're relaxing by the pool or enjoying a private boat excursion, the idyllic surroundings of Azura's properties provide an oasis of calm and rejuvenation. The new Azura Marlin Beach, with its pristine setting, offers a fresh experience for those looking to embrace luxury in a serene and unspoiled environment.
- **Marine Adventures:** Dive into vibrant coral reefs, sail away on a Dhow, or enjoy a range of water-based activities. Azura's beachside locations offer easy access to the Indian Ocean's abundant marine life, ensuring your getaway is filled with adventure and discovery.

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A go-to source for uncovering the city's hidden gems, from mouth-watering restaurants and buzzing bars to luxury accommodations and unforgettable experiences. If it's exciting, unique, or simply the best, you'll find it here!

We've rounded up the best of all that makes Jozi vibrant and unforgettable—from must-visit hotspots and local favourites to exclusive events and thrilling experiences you won't want to miss. Whether you're a local explorer or a curious visitor, Joburg Uncovered is your inside track to discovering everything Jozi has to offer!

MUST-TRY COCKTAIL BARS IN JOHANNESBURG

Johannesburg's cocktail scene is thriving, with stylish bars offering expertly crafted drinks and vibrant atmospheres. Whether you prefer a classic mix or bold new flavours, these spots promise a memorable night out.

CHUNKY CHAU

With locations in Rosebank and Sandton, Chunky Chau offers citrus-forward drinks and a Pan-Asian menu that turns every sip into an adventure.

DANDELION COCKTAIL BAR

Northcliff's Dandelion is known for high-energy evenings, vibrant crowds, and globally inspired cocktails that come alive as the sun sets.

GIGI RESTAURANT

Located at Waterfall Corner, Gigi impresses with a diverse cocktail menu that fuses local flavours with global influences, ideal for weekend toasts.

MATH

This contemporary Waterfall Corner spot invites community gatherings with creative drinks like the Gin and Tea or tropical 6:15 in Zanzibar.

MIX COCKTAIL BAR

Overlooking the city from Rosebank, Mix's eclectic menu showcases seasonal ingredients and creative twists on classics like the Martini.

OBSCURA COCKTAIL BAR AND EATERY

In Rosebank, Obscura offers a mix of classic and innovative cocktails paired with delicious tapas, making it perfect for lively gatherings.

TRUFFLES ON THE PARK

Nestled in Mushroom Park, this botanical oasis serves fresh, fruity cocktails—perfect for relaxing with friends amid stunning views.

ZIOUX

An upscale venue in Sandton, Zioux delivers luxury with Asian-inspired cocktails and elegant surroundings, ideal for a sophisticated night out.

Each venue promises exceptional drinks and an unforgettable Jozie experience.

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THE BEST COFFEE SPOTS TO GRAB A CUPPA IN JOZI

Johannesburg's coffee scene goes beyond a quick caffeine fix—these spots offer welcoming spaces, expertly crafted brews, and a sense of community. Here's where to find some of the best cups in the city:

BEAN THERE

Bean There at 44 Stanley is South Africa's first roaster of Certified Fairtrade coffee. It serves unblended beans sourced from Rwanda, Tanzania, Ethiopia, and Kenya, offering pure, authentic African flavours.

MANAKA COFFEE

Manaka Coffee delivers premium, specialty-grade beverages alongside a menu inspired by South African flavors. With its inviting atmosphere, it's a great choice for relaxing or working.

TILT COFFEE

Tilt's skilled baristas focus on creating top-quality drinks, from bold Americanos to smooth cortados. The café also offers light meals and fresh baked goods—ideal for a quick stop or casual catch-up.

VICE CAFÉ

Located in Craighall Park, Vice Café specializes in single-origin Mexican coffee. The space's unique design and rich flavours make it a standout destination.

GREEN DOT CAFÉ

Dedicated to sustainability, Green Dot uses ethically sourced beans to create thoughtfully brewed drinks. Its relaxed setting makes it suitable for informal meetings or quiet moments.

FATHER COFFEE

Father Coffee is known for in-house roasted beans that produce robust, full-bodied flavours. A variety of fresh sandwiches, salads, and pastries complement the drinks. Whether you're after a quick espresso or a spot to unwind, these Jozi cafés offer something for everyone—these spots offer welcoming spaces, expertly crafted brews, and a sense of community. Here's where to find some of the best cups in the city: Read more lifebrands.co.za/joburg-uncovered

RESTAURANTS WITH SPECTACULAR VIEWS

Johannesburg's dining scene offers incredible spots where stunning views complement the cuisine. Whether you're after rooftop vistas or tranquil landscapes, these restaurants promise unforgettable experiences.

ALTO BAR

Atop The Leonardo, Alto234 offers panoramic skyline views, signature cocktails, and a stylish setting perfect for sunset drinks.

AURUM

On the 7th floor of The Leonardo, Aurum provides diverse dishes and breathtaking city views, with its pool terrace being a popular spot for daytime relaxation.

FLAMES RESTAURANT

Perched at the Four Seasons Hotel, Flames offers sweeping city views and a menu featuring South African flavours with an international touch—perfect for special occasions.

THE HIGHLINE

Located on the 9th floor of the Courtyard Hotel in Waterfall City, The Highline boasts views of the Magaliesburg Mountains. Affordable tapas and an extensive drinks menu make it ideal for sundowners.

NINETEEN BY MICHAEL

Situated in Steyn City, Nineteen blends fine dining with beautiful natural surroundings, making it ideal for gatherings with friends or family.

PABLO HOUSE DOS MANOS

This intimate Melville eatery overlooks the Melville Koppies, offering a peaceful escape with delicious food. Advance booking is recommended due to limited seating.

These destinations offer the perfect pairing of memorable meals and spectacular scenery. Read more lifebrands.co.za/joburg-uncovered



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Your Next Wellness Retreat in the Cape Winelands Awaits

—DISCOVER ERINVALLE SPA

Erinvale Estate Hotel & Spa is proud to introduce its newly reimagined wellness offering, Erinvale Spa, which opened in December 2024. Designed to redefine luxury and well-being in the Cape Winelands, this newly unveiled retreat offers a world-class sanctuary for relaxation and rejuvenation, making it a must-visit destination for wellness seekers.

As part of Erinvale's 30th anniversary celebration this year, the spa's official launch will mark a significant milestone in the hotel's journey. The space has been thoughtfully designed to offer an immersive wellness experience for both hotel guests and day visitors, providing a tranquil escape.

"The introduction of our new wellness offering reflects our ongoing commitment to delivering an unparalleled experience for our guests. Erinvale has long been known for its sensorial stays, and we are thrilled to now enhance our offerings with a holistic and luxurious addition," said Debbie-Lee Cockrell, Hotel Director of Erinvale Estate Hotel & Spa. "With a carefully selected range of indulgent beauty treatments, innovative techniques, and premium brands, our spa suites and relaxation areas have been designed to captivate both discerning travellers and dedicated spa connoisseurs. We are excited to welcome guests to experience this new era of wellness at Erinvale."

Erinvale Spa has been created as a true destination, offering an all-encompassing wellness experience:

- The Jasmine Terrace, a serene al fresco space where guests can enjoy a nourishing menu of raw juices, seasonal

salads, gourmet sandwiches, inspired plates, and sharing platters. Gluten-free and vegetarian options are available to cater to a variety of dietary preferences.

- A sparkling 25-metre lap pool, perfect for invigorating swims or leisurely relaxation under the Cape sun.
- A state-of-the-art TechnoGym fitness centre and yoga studio, allowing guests to maintain their health and fitness goals while enjoying their stay.
- Luxurious thermal facilities, including a sauna and steam room, designed to enhance deep relaxation and rejuvenation.

Whether basking by the pool, indulging in a bespoke treatment, or simply taking in the spa's peaceful surroundings, guests are invited to immerse themselves in a setting dedicated to well-being and renewal.

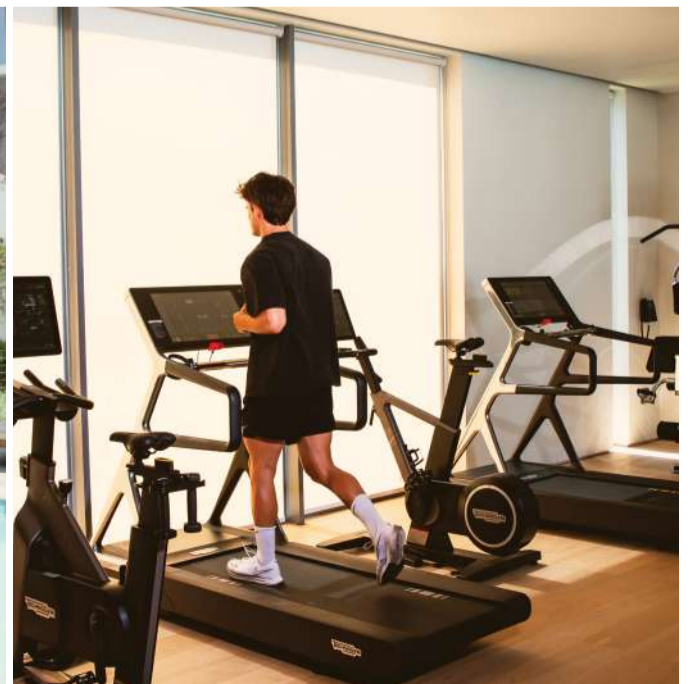
The spa's design seamlessly blends the timeless elegance of Cape Dutch heritage with contemporary luxury. Clinton Savage Interior and Architecture has created a space that balances indoor refinement with outdoor tranquillity, incorporating indigenous landscaping and a natural colour

palette for a harmonious aesthetic.

"Collaborating closely with the hotel's owner and team, we have ensured that every detail reflects Erinvale's vision of a welcoming and indulgent wellness experience," said Clinton Savage. "Our goal was to engage all the senses, immersing guests in a multi-sensory journey that combines visual beauty, soothing sounds, tactile comfort, and subtle scents. Inspired by Japanese simplicity, we embraced clean lines, neutral tones, and natural materials to create a calm, balanced atmosphere. We are incredibly proud of this project and excited to see guests embracing the space as their own sanctuary of relaxation."

Erinvale Estate Hotel & Spa continues to enhance its reputation as a premier destination retreat. Whether guests are visiting for business, a honeymoon, or a destination wedding, they can now complement their stay with a wellness experience that adds yet another layer of indulgence and tranquillity to their journey.

For bookings and inquiries, guests can contact Erinvale Spa at spa@erinvale.co.za.



Top Safari Destinations to Explore

South Africa's safari offerings range from exhilarating game drives to tranquil wildlife viewing at waterholes. Here are some picks of top destinations where adventure, luxury, and conservation meet.

ADDO ELEPHANT NATIONAL PARK

Renowned for its large elephant herds, Addo also hosts the Big Five, with exceptional sightings of black rhinos and Cape buffalo across expansive plains.

BABANANGO GAME RESERVE

Rich in Zulu history, Babanango combines traditional game drives with zip-lining and tours of ancient copper mine ruins, set against a landscape that tells the story of Earth's evolution.

BABOHI AT QWABI PRIVATE GAME RESERVE

This adults-only retreat in the Waterberg region offers a serene atmosphere, polished service, and luxurious accommodations, perfect for a romantic wilderness escape.

KWANDWE PRIVATE GAME RESERVE

One of South Africa's largest Big Five reserves, Kwandwe offers game drives, bush walks, bird watching, cultural visits, and unforgettable stargazing experiences.

LAST WORD MADIKWE

Nestled beside an ancient waterhole, this intimate lodge blends luxury with privacy. Its lush gardens and expansive views offer peaceful encounters with local wildlife.

SAMARA KAROO RESERVE

Samara blends luxury with conservation in the Eastern Cape, offering eco-friendly safaris and world-class accommodations amid revived wilderness.

SANBONA WILDLIFE RESERVE

Dedicated to conservation, Sanbona's guided safaris and bush walks emphasize sustainability while showcasing diverse wildlife and rare flora.

ULUSABA

Part of Sir Richard Branson's Virgin Limited Edition, Ulusaba in the Sabi Sands offers two lodges: Rock Lodge with panoramic views and Safari Lodge featuring treehouse-style rooms close to the bush.



These safari destinations promise memorable encounters, exceptional service, and a deep connection to nature. Read more lifebrands.co.za/joburg-uncovered



Welcome to Lynx Estate

A TRANQUIL ESCAPE AT THE FOOT OF THE MAJESTIC KLEIN DRAKENSTEIN MOUNTAINS

Far away from the hustle and bustle, yet right at home, Lynx Estate is an exclusive boutique wine farm where tranquillity meets unforgettable experiences. Perfectly situated just 15 minutes from Stellenbosch, 20 minutes from Paarl, and 10 minutes from the heart of Franschhoek, it's your gateway to discovering the magic of this renowned wine region.

Immerse yourself in the beauty of this enchanting landscape and feel at home from the moment you arrive. Choose from 17 exquisitely designed suites and deluxe double rooms, each thoughtfully curated with charming details to offer a cosy retreat for relaxation and serenity.

Every room is located at ground level, complete with a private lounge terrace. Spend your evenings stargazing under endless skies and your days soaking in panoramic views of majestic mountains, vibrant vineyards, and blooming gardens.

Savour the experience further with a delicious meal at Levante Restaurant, where culinary delights pair perfectly with the estate wines, offering a feast for your senses.

Guests can also join for a wine tasting at the bodega, where you'll sample exceptional wines and enjoy delightful snacks or platters.

Book your stay now and experience the wonder of watching grapes grow while savouring breathtaking vineyard and mountain views—all with a glass of exquisite wine in hand.

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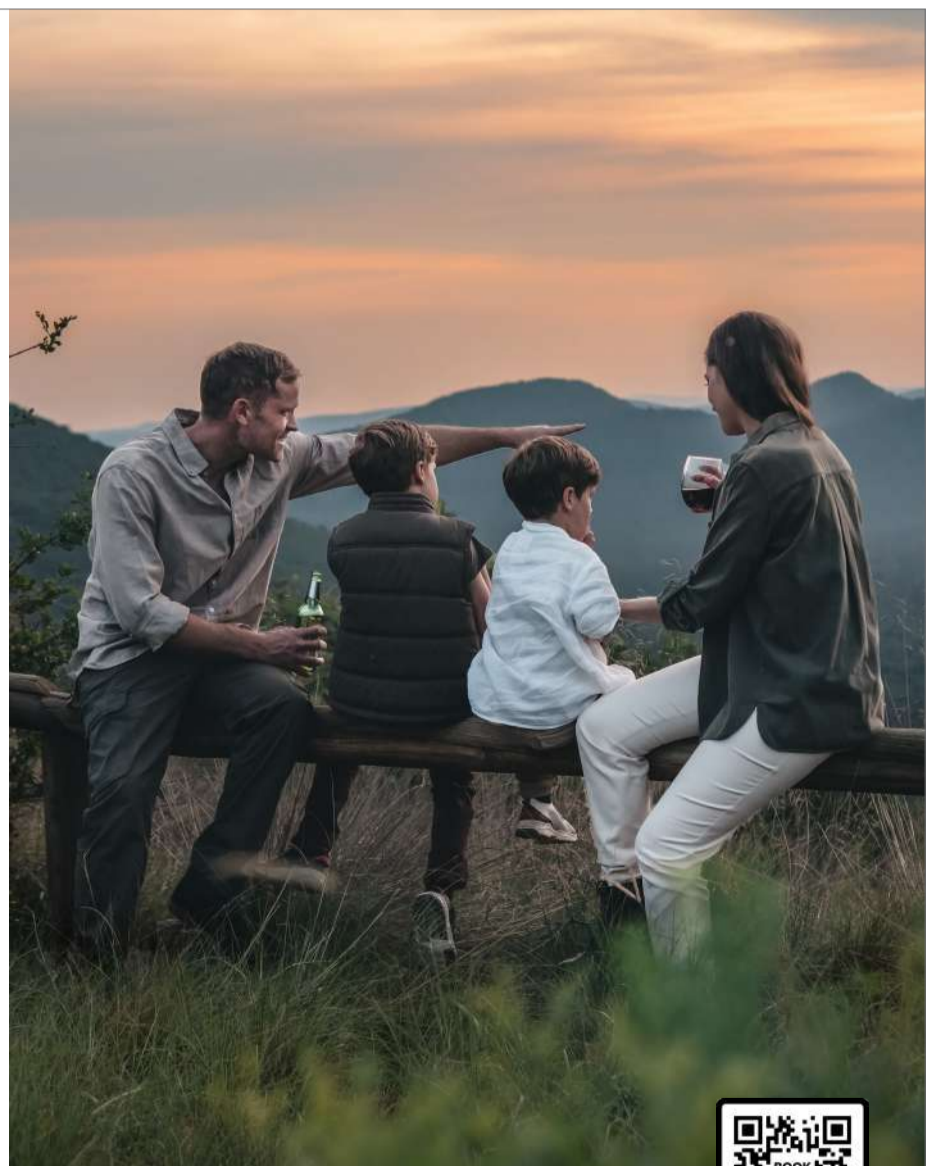
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Must-Do Voyages

LUXURY CRUISE EXPERT GAYNOR GALBRAITH NEILL'S TOP PICKS

For luxury travellers seeking the ultimate cruise experiences, few can rival the expertise of Gaynor Galbraith Neill, owner of award-winning Cruise Vacations. As she celebrates 30 years in luxury cruising and as the long-standing representative of Silversea in Africa, Gaynor has travelled the world in the finest style. Here, she shares her top five must-do voyages for 2025.

1. THE ARCTIC – SILVERSEA CRUISES

An Arctic expedition with Silversea is an unforgettable journey into the wild. Guests sail through the icy realms of Svalbard, Greenland, and Canada's High Arctic, encountering polar bears, walrus, and glaciers under the Midnight Sun and the possibility of a Northern-Lights sighting. With expert-led Zodiac excursions and Silversea's renowned butler service, this is adventure and indulgence in perfect harmony.

2. CHRISTMAS MARKETS – SCENIC & EMERALD RIVER CRUISES

For a magical festive escape, Gaynor recommends a Christmas Markets river cruise through Germany, Austria, and Hungary. Aboard Scenic or Emerald Cruises, guests sail past fairy-tale towns, stopping at historic markets serving mulled wine, selling handcrafted gifts, and seasonal delicacies—an enchanting way to celebrate the season.

3. THE AMALFI COAST – STAR CLIPPERS

For a touch of romance, few experiences rival Star Clippers' tall-ship sailing along Italy's Amalfi Coast. Under billowing sails, guests explore the cliffside villages of Positano, Sorrento, and Capri, dropping anchor in secluded coves for leisurely swims. The charm of classic sailing, paired with modern luxury, makes this a bucket-list voyage.

4. ANTARCTICA – SILVERSEA OR SCENIC ECLIPSE

Antarctica is the ultimate expedition, whether aboard Silversea's ultra-luxury ships or the state-of-the-art Scenic Eclipse. Intimate wildlife encounters guided by expert expedition teams, these voyages are the pinnacle of awe-inspiring discovery.

5. ADRIATIC & GREEK ISLANDS – SILVERSEA'S S.A.L.T. PROGRAMME

For food lovers, Silversea's Adriatic and Greek Islands itineraries, enhanced by the S.A.L.T. (Sea and Land Taste) Programme, provide an immersive culinary journey. From truffle hunting in Istria to learning the secrets of Greek mezze, these voyages indulge both the palate and the soul. With over 900 destinations across seven continents it is almost impossible to choose just a handful, but these are a good start if you are looking for some of the most exceptional travel experiences.

Contact Cruise Vacations or your Travel Agent for more details on these and other voyages, as well as current promotions. info@cruise-vacations.co.za



5 Award-Winning Spas in Jozi TO IGNITE YOUR WELLNESS JOURNEY

In a city buzzing with energy, there's nothing like the tranquillity of a world-class spa. These award-winning Joburg & surrounds sanctuaries offer luxurious treatments designed to melt away stress and restore balance, making them must-visits for wellness enthusiasts.

THE SAXON

Hidden in Sandhurst, the Saxon Spa offers world-class relaxation. Expert therapists provide top-tier treatments, from hydrating facials to full-body pampering. With signature therapies designed for balance and well-being, this urban retreat is self-care at its finest.

THE WOODLANDS HEALING SPA

Nestled in Muldersdrift, this holistic retreat blends traditional spa therapies with energy healing. Beyond unique treatments, guests can enjoy yoga and meditation, making health and happiness the ultimate focus.

MOUNT GRACE HOTEL AND SPA

Set in the Magaliesberg Mountains, this peaceful escape features serene gardens, outdoor pools, and private

treatment rooms with breathtaking views. With plunge pools, steam rooms, and therapy baths, tranquillity is guaranteed.

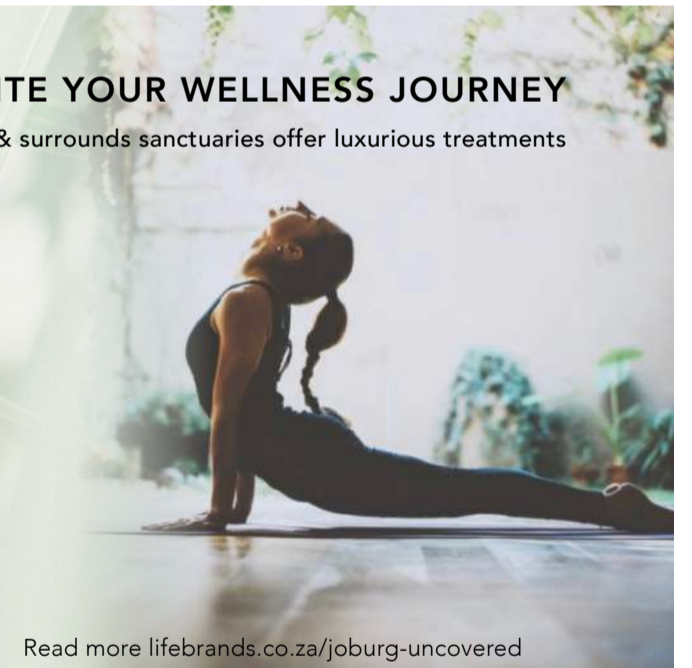
THE HOUGHTON SPA

An urban sanctuary in Joburg's elite Houghton area, this spa tailors treatments to individual needs. From aromatherapy massages to advanced skincare, it's a haven where wellness takes priority.

THE RESIDENCE SPA

A fusion of nature and luxury, this Houghton gem offers state-of-the-art facilities and specialized treatments. A refined escape for those seeking indulgence.

These spas promise to elevate your wellness journey, offering the perfect blend of luxury, tranquillity, and care.



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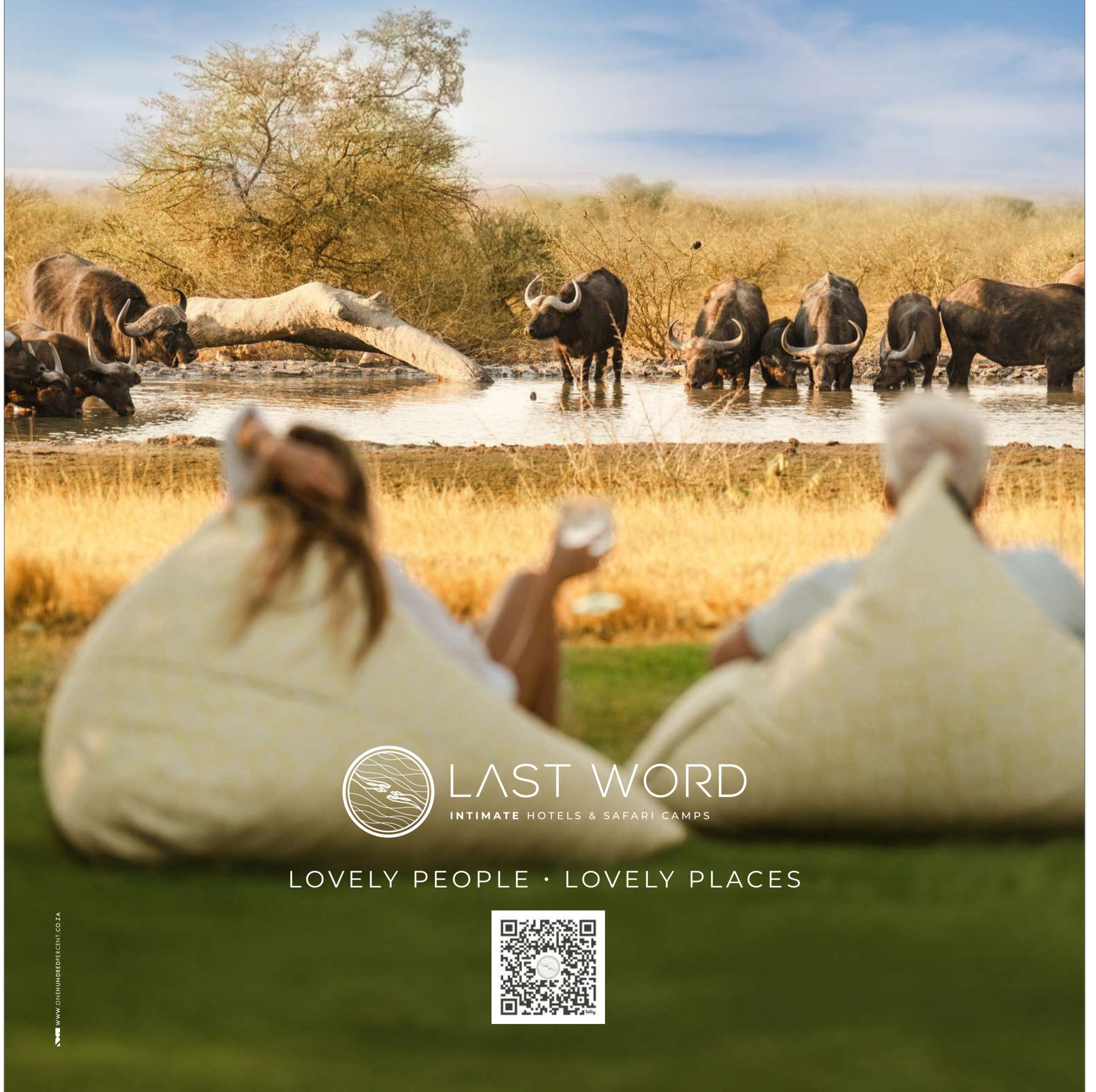
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