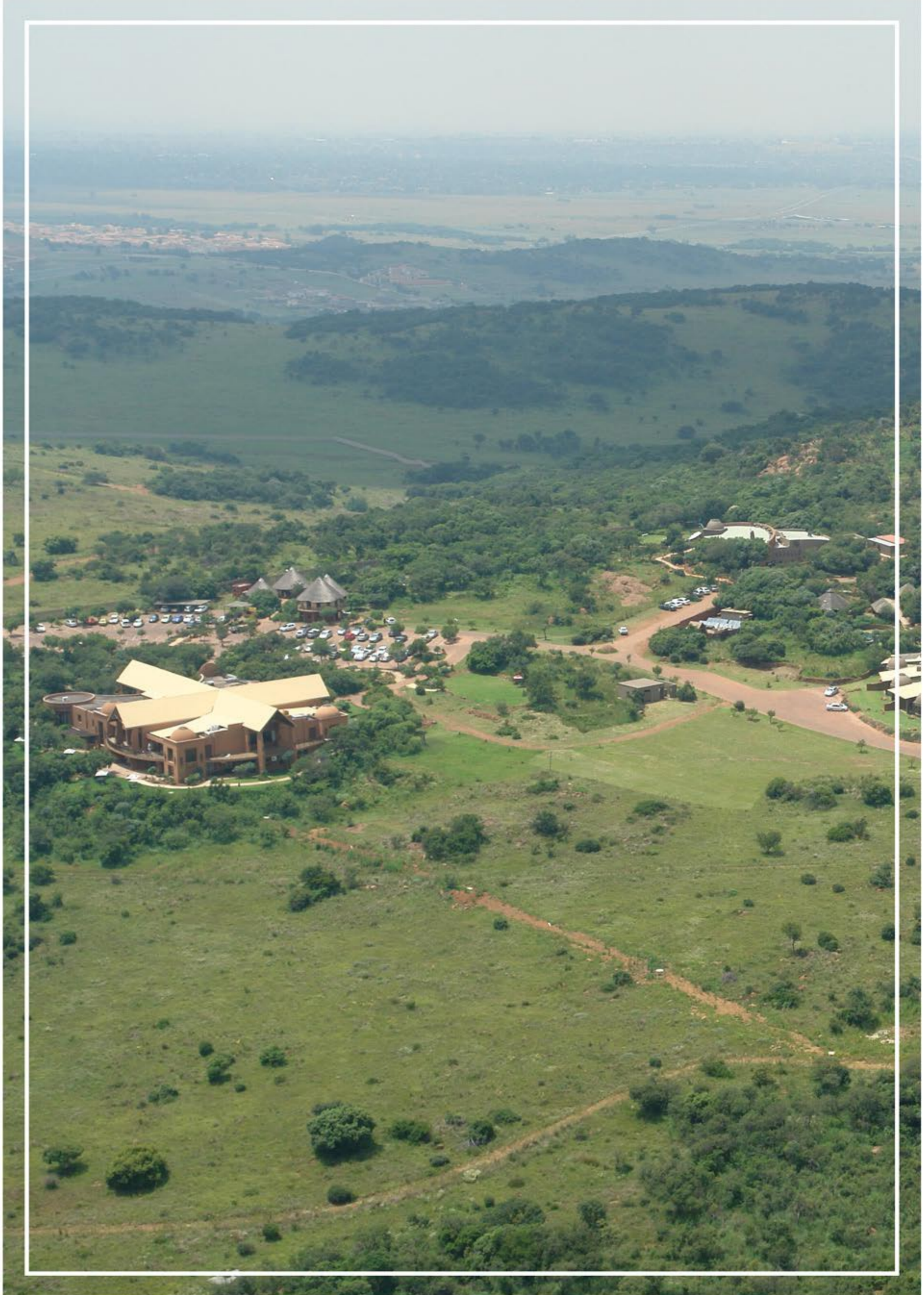
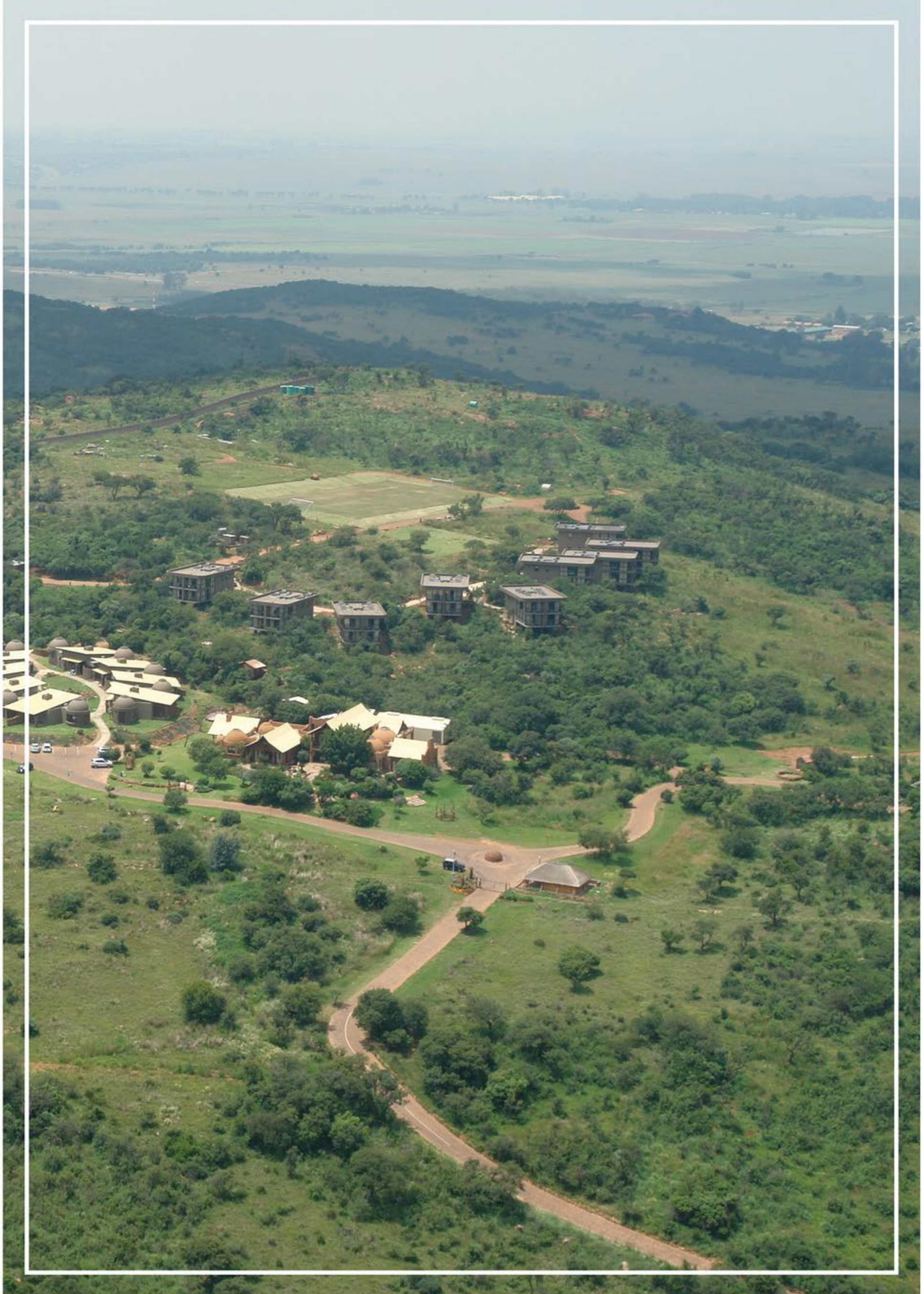
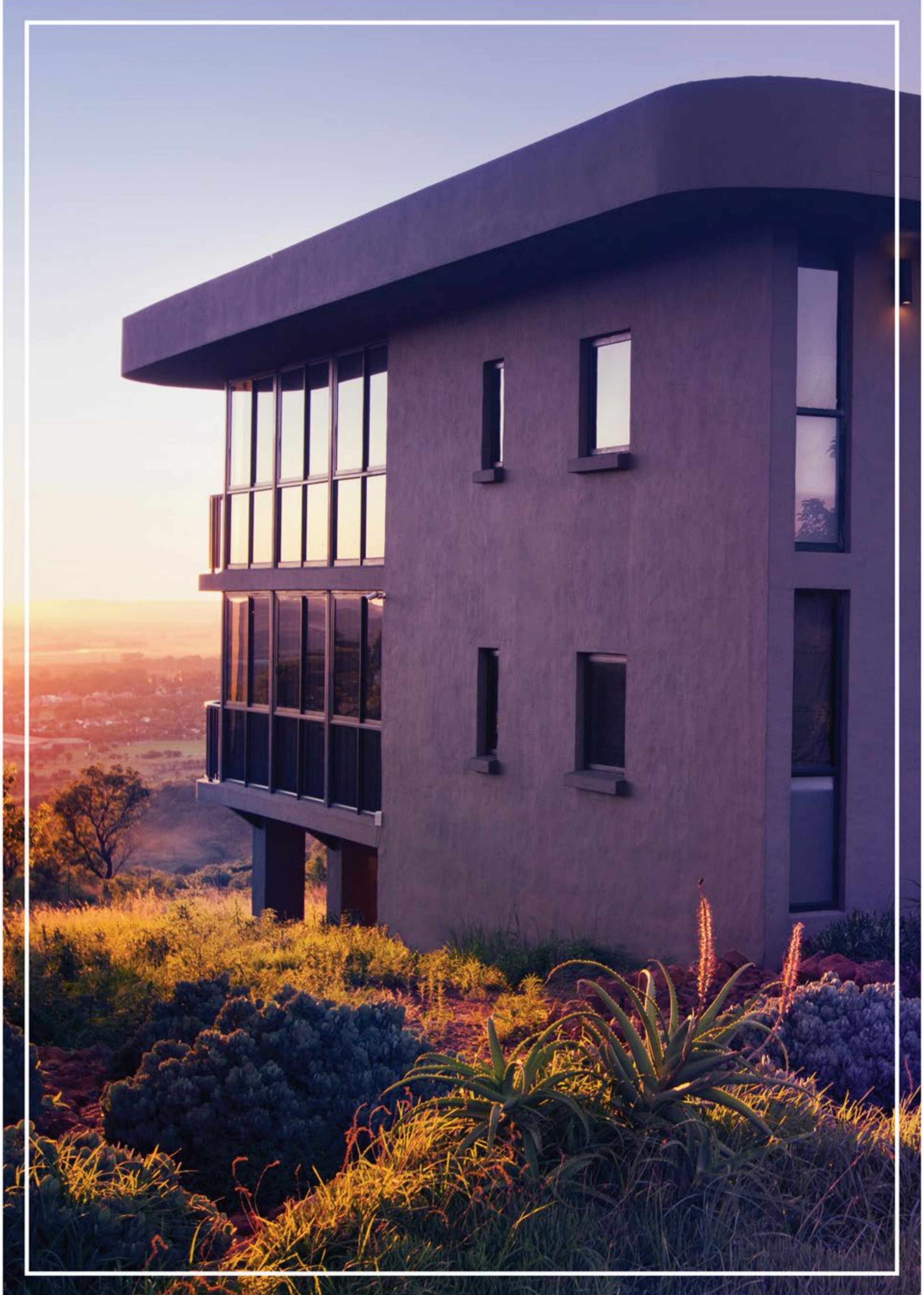


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INTRODUCTION

SINCE ITS INCEPTION 12 YEARS AGO, THABA ECO HOTEL HAS RECOGNISED AND VALUED THE NEED FOR MANAGING ITS ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT IN A SUSTAINABLE AND RESPONSIBLE MANNER. AS A COMPANY, WE HAVE INCORPORATED SEVERAL CREATIVE AND POSITIVE MEASURES THAT HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE SUSTAINABILITY OF OUR AREA, OUR COMMUNITY AND THE PLANET AS A WHOLE. THIS HAS BEEN DONE BY INCORPORATING GREEN BUSINESS THINKING INTO OUR PHILOSOPHY AND ETHOS.

OUR VISION

TO MANAGE THE BIODIVERSITY ASSOCIATED WITH THABA ECO HOTEL ON A SUSTAINABLE BASIS; TO DEMONSTRATE THE ADVANTAGES OF INCORPORATING GREEN BUSINESS THINKING INTO THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY; AND TO PROVIDE A UNIQUE AND EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE TO OUR GUESTS.

MEASURES TAKEN TO MINIMISE OUR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

AS PART OF OUR GREEN BUSINESS PHILOSOPHY, THABA ECO HOTEL HAS INCORPORATED EXTENSIVE CREATIVE AND POSITIVE MEASURES TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUSTAINABILITY OF OUR AREA AND THE PLANET AS A WHOLE.

1. ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING

PRIOR TO THE HOTEL'S CONSTRUCTION HERITAGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS CONDUCTED VARIOUS ASSESSMENTS ON THE SURROUNDING LAND. THE RESULTS OF THESE ASSESSMENTS ENABLED THE OWNERS TO PLAN IN SUCH A WAY THAT THEY WOULD MAKE THE LOWEST IMPACT ON THE ECOLOGICAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL ELEMENTS THROUGHOUT THE PROPERTY.

DURING THE CONSTRUCTION PLANNING, THE OWNERS ALSO ALLOWED THE TYPOGRAPHY TO DICTATE WHERE BUILDINGS WERE TO BE BUILT. THIS PROTECTED THE BIODIVERSITY OF THE TREES AND ROCKY OUTCROPS ON THE LAND.

WHERE NECESSARY, TOPSOIL AND INDIGENOUS FLORA WERE REMOVED BEFORE CONSTRUCTION AND LATER RE-USED FOR LANDSCAPING.

2. BUILDING DESIGN

THABA'S HOTEL ROOMS HAVE BEEN DESIGNED WITH THE ENVIRONMENT IN MIND BY:

- ENSURING THE EXTERIOR COLOURS OF THE BUILDINGS REPRESENT STONE AND TREE BARK TO REDUCE VISUAL IMPACT AND REGULATE TEMPERATURES
- PLANNING THAT ONLY 50% OF THE HOTEL ROOMS' FLOORS TOUCH GROUND TO ENSURE THE PROTECTION OF FAUNA AND FLORA
- INCORPORATING SUSTAINABLE LOCAL MATERIALS IN OUR DESIGN
- INCORPORATING PERMACULTURE PRINCIPLES IN ORDER TO:
 - IMPROVE THE AESTHETIC IMPACT OF THE DEVELOPMENT
 - ALLOW FOR MINIMUM LIGHTING AND VISUAL IMPACT
 - PROMOTE WATER AND ENERGY SAVINGS

3. WATER USAGE AND POLLUTION

RAINWATER HARVESTING IS USED AS AN INNOVATIVE ALTERNATIVE APPROACH TO WATER SUPPLY AT THABA. THE RAINWATER SYSTEM HAS BEEN BENEFICIAL BECAUSE IT HAS:

ALL NEW ROOMS ARE FITTED WITH CARD SLOTS. ROOM CARDS MUST BE PLACED IN THE SLOT BEFORE THE LIGHTS AND AIR-CONDITIONING WORK, ENSURING THAT ELECTRICITY IS NOT WASTED WHEN CLIENTS ARE NOT IN THEIR ROOMS.

DOUBLE-COMBUSTION FIREPLACES IN THE GUEST HOUSES AND RESTAURANT MINIMISE OUR DEPENDENCE ON ELECTRICAL USE FOR HEAT GENERATION, FURTHER REDUCING OUR CARBON EMISSIONS.

THE HOTEL BUILDINGS WERE DESIGNED TO RECEIVE LESS SUN IN THE SUMMER AND MAXIMUM SUN DURING WINTER; A PERMACULTURE TECHNIQUE FOR TEMPERATURE SELF-REGULATION. WEST-FACING HOTEL ROOMS ALSO HAVE GLAZING ON THE WINDOWS TO ALLOW ONLY 30% OF THE AFTERNOON HEAT INTO THE ROOMS. HOTEL GUESTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO USE BALCONY DOORS AND WINDOWS TO ALLOW FOR NATURAL COOLING.

WE ADJUST THE HOT WATER THERMOSTAT ACCORDING TO SEASON AND WE ONLY ACTIVATE THE UNDER-FLOOR AND TOWEL RAIL HEATING SYSTEMS DURING THE TWO COLDEST WINTER MONTHS OR ON VERY COLD DAYS.

ALL OUR HOTEL ROOMS ARE FITTED WITH SOLAR-POWERED GEYSERS. FURTHERMORE, ALL OUR GEYSERS, BUILDINGS AND PIPES ARE INSULATED TO REDUCE HEATING AND COOLING EXPENSES.

TRAINING IS PROVIDED TO ALL MANAGERS ON HOW TO REDUCE ENERGY CONSUMPTION IN TERMS OF:

- MINIMUM LIGHTING
- HEATING
- VENTILATION IN HOTEL AREAS THAT ARE UNOCCUPIED

WE CONDUCT REGULAR PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE ON BOTH OUR HEATING AND COOLING SYSTEMS BY SERVICING AND CHECKING THEM REGULARLY.

SUPA-FUEL IS ADDED TO OUR GENERATOR DIESEL TO IMPROVE THE FUEL QUALITY. THIS ALLOWS US TO USE LESS DIESEL AND RELEASE FEWER CARBON EMISSIONS WHEN THE GENERATOR IS USED.

WE TRACK OUR ENERGY AND WATER CONSUMPTION ON A MONTHLY BASIS. WE ARE CURRENTLY SITTING AT AN AVERAGE OF 25 KWH PER BED-NIGHT AND 10 KWH PER CORPORATE PER DAY.

7. REDUCING AIR POLLUTION AND CARBON EMISSIONS

PREFERENTIAL EMPLOYMENT IS OFFERED TO APPLICANTS WHO LIVE CLOSE TO THABA ECO HOTEL. THIS NOT ONLY MINIMISES THE AMOUNT OF CARBON EMISSIONS CREATED BY OUR STAFF, BUT ALSO ADDS TO THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE. THE TIME AND MONEY SAVED ON TRAVELLING CAN BE BETTER INVESTED INTO THEIR FAMILIES.

OVER THE LAST DECADE, THOUSANDS OF TREES HAVE BEEN GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO GROW ON OUR PROPERTY, THANKS TO OUR CREATION OF PROPER FIREBREAKS. IN THE PAST, THE ENTIRE VELD AREA WOULD BURN DOWN, DESTROYING THE NEW TREES THAT NOW CAPTURE THOUSANDS OF TONS OF CARBON EMISSIONS EVERY YEAR.

8. ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

THABA EMPLOYS A FULL-TIME ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGER WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF OUR ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME. THIS PROGRAMME INCLUDES:

- DECREASED MUNICIPAL DEMAND
- REDUCED WATER RUN-OFF
- MINIMISED SOIL EROSION

TO INCREASE WATER-EFFICIENCY, THE HOTEL HAS INSTALLED:

DOUBLE-PLUMBING SYSTEMS
DUAL-FLUSH TOILETS
TAP AERATORS AND LOW-FLOW SHOWERHEADS

- USES WATER-EFFICIENT WASHING MACHINES AND DISHWASHERS
- CARRIES OUT REGULAR SERVICES ON ALL WATER PIPES TO PREVENT LEAKS
- CONDUCTS DAILY CHECKS ON WATER LEVELS AND FLOW TO DETECT PROBLEMS BEFORE THEY OCCUR
- ENCOURAGES HOTEL GUESTS TO USE TOWELS AND WATER SPARINGLY TO REDUCE THE USE OF WATER AND CHEMICALS

4. WATER-WISE LANDSCAPING

"A BIT OF THOUGHT AND CARE WHEN USING WATER GOES A LONG WAY."

INDIGENOUS LANDSCAPING AND WATER-WISE GARDENS HAVE BEEN CREATED AND ALL MUNICIPAL WATER IRRIGATION HAS BEEN REMOVED TO IMPROVE THE BIODIVERSITY OF THE AREA. THE USE OF PERMACULTURE PRINCIPLES HAS ALSO MINIMISED THE USE OF WATER IN OUR GARDENS. ALOES AND BULBS ARE CAREFULLY REMOVED FROM SOIL AND RELOCATED BEFORE ANY CONSTRUCTION TAKES PLACE.

OUR ORGANIC VEGETABLE GARDEN IS WATERED USING OUR RAINWATER IRRIGATION SYSTEM. THIS VEGGIE PATCH HAS ALSO BEEN INCORPORATED INTO A SUSTAINABLE LANDSCAPE DESIGN THAT INCLUDES A GRAVITY-FED WATERING SYSTEM. IT FURTHER PROPAGATES LOCAL INDIGENOUS PLANTS, HERBS AND VEGETABLES THAT SUPPLY THE RESTAURANT.

OUR WATERING TIMES ARE ADJUSTED ACCORDING TO SEASON TO ENSURE OPTIMUM WATER-USAGE BY PLANTS. IN SUMMER (OCTOBER TO FEBRUARY), THIS IS BETWEEN 10AM AND 2PM, WHILE IN WINTER, WE WATER BETWEEN 10AM AND 3PM.

SWALES (LOW, MARSHY TRACTS OF LAND) ARE CREATED TO PREVENT WATER RUN-OFF AND TO MAXIMISE WATER RETENTION AND CAPTURING. THIS ALSO ASSISTS US TO GROUP OUR PLANTS INTO HYDRO ZONES AND TO WATER DEEPLY AND LESS FREQUENTLY.

HARD PLANT MATERIAL GENERATED BY ALIEN VEGETATION ERADICATION AND FROM THE PRUNING OF SHRUBS AND TREES IS CHIPPED AND USED AS MULCH. APPLYING MULCH OR COMPOST HAS PROVEN TO BE BENEFICIAL BECAUSE IT HAS:

- PROMOTES GOOD ROOT GROWTH BY RETAINING SOIL MOISTURE IN THE ROOT ZONE
- SAVED WATER BY REDUCING EVAPORATION BY 70%
- HELPED KEEP WIND AND RAIN AWAY FROM THE SOIL SURFACE, THEREBY PREVENTING EVAPORATION, SOIL EROSION AND THE COMPACTION OF THE SOIL SURFACE
- REGULATED SOIL TEMPERATURE
- HELPED TO ELIMINATE EXOTIC PLANT SPECIES AND WEEDS

CANS

Cans are 100% recyclable, thereby reducing over a kilogram of CO₂ (carbon dioxide).

A recycled used can is back on the shelf within 60 days of being recycled.

A can that is thrown away and not recycled will still be a can 500 years from now.



Are you doing your part to save the planet?

GLASS

An average glass bottle would take 4000 years or more to decompose - and even longer if it was in a landfill.

The energy saved from recycling just 1 bottle, will power a 100-watt bulb for almost an hour.

Glass can be recycled over and over again without the quality of the product being compromised.



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PAPER

Every Metric ton of paper recycled saves 17 trees and uses 40 percent less energy, and 50 percent less water.

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5. RECYCLING

FULLY OPERATIONAL RECYCLING AREAS HAVE BEEN CREATED, WHERE WASTE IS SEPARATED INTO COLOUR-CODED BINS. THIS HAS ALLOWED THE HOTEL TO RECYCLE 97% OF ALL PAPER, CANS, GLASS, OIL AND PLASTIC.

COMPOSTING HAS ALSO ALLOWED US TO RECYCLE 95% OF ALL OUR WET WASTE. THIS COMPOST IS THEN USED TO ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF THE SOIL.

THE THABA RECYCLING INITIATIVE HAS CREATED JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE LOCAL COMMUNITIES. THE RECYCLING TEAM MEMBERS ARE TRAINED TO RECYCLE AT SOURCE, THEREBY INCREASING THE EFFICIENCY OF THE RECYCLING PLANT AND PROVIDING EDUCATION ON THE VALUE THAT RECYCLING HAS ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

RECYCLING HAS ALSO REDUCED THE AMOUNT OF WASTE SENT TO THE MUNICIPAL DUMP, REDUCING OUR INITIAL FOUR SKIPS TO TWO SKIPS PER MONTH.

THE HOTEL STAFF MONITORS THE EFFICIENCY OF THE THABA RECYCLING INITIATIVES ON A DAILY BASIS. THIS MONITORING IS STRENGTHENED BY OUR REWARD/DE-MERIT SYSTEM.

OUR HOTEL ACTIVELY RECYCLES:

- FLUORESCENT LIGHTS
- COMPUTER AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT
- OIL TO BE USED FOR BIO FUEL
- PRINTER CARTRIDGES (THESE ARE RETURNED TO SUPPLIERS FOR REFILLING AND RECYCLING)

OTHER WAYS THAT WE PROMOTE RECYCLING IS BY:

- SAFELY DISPOSING OF BATTERIES
- CONNECTING SEWAGE TO THE MUNICIPAL NETWORK TO ENSURE THAT IT IS PROPERLY RECYCLED
- INSTALLING CARPET UNDERFELT THAT IS MADE OF RECYCLED PLASTIC
- USING RECYCLED ALUMINIUM CAR RIMS AS DRESSING TABLE LEGS IN GUEST ROOMS
- USING GARDEN FURNITURE THAT IS MADE FROM RECYCLED MATERIALS IN THE RESTAURANT GARDEN USING BATTERY-OPERATED GOLF CARTS TO TRANSPORT GUESTS AND GOODS AROUND THE RESORT

6. ENERGY SAVING

WE USE NEW-GENERATION LED GLOBES IN MOST AREAS TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF ELECTRICITY WE USE AND MINIMISE OUR CARBON FOOTPRINT.

ALL OUR AIR-CONDITIONING UNITS ARE CFC-FREE. THEY ARE ALSO EQUIPPED WITH INVERTERS TO PROTECT THE OZONE LAYER AND REDUCE ENERGY CONSUMPTION BY 30%.

OUR IN-HOUSE RESTAURANT USES WATER MISTERS, FREEING US OF THE NEED FOR AIR CONDITIONING IN THIS AREA. WE HAVE ALSO INSTALLED WHIRLY-BIRDS IN THE ROOF OF THE RESTAURANT TO DISPERSE HEAT IN THE SUMMER. THESE ARE CLOSED DURING THE WINTER MONTHS TO RETAIN HEAT.

ALL OUR KITCHENS ARE DESIGNED TO USE GAS FOR MOST OF THE COOKING AND HEATING AND OUR PIZZA OVEN IS WOOD-FIRED.



- EROSION CONTROL, CLEARING OF ALIEN VEGETATION AND DETERMINING THE CARRYING CAPACITY OF OUR LAND
- GAME COUNTS AND MONITORING OF SEX/AGE RATIOS

WE ALSO PROMOTE ENVIRONMENTALLY RESPONSIBLE PEST PREVENTION BY:

- AVOIDING THE USE OF HARMFUL CHEMICAL PESTICIDES
- USING PARASITIDS INSTEAD OF PESTICIDES. THESE FEED ONLY ON FLY LARVAE.
- USING ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY INSECT DETERRENT SPRAYS AROUND THE KITCHENS
- MAINTAINING A LITTER-FREE ENVIRONMENT
- KEEPING SILKIE BANTAM CHICKENS AS OUR "BUG SQUAD" IN THE NURSERY
- INSTALLING AN OWL PERCH IN THE NURSERY TO ASSIST WITH RODENT AND PROBLEM ANIMAL CONTROL (I.E. DASSIES)

9. NATURE CONSERVATION

WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF CREATING JOHANNESBURG'S FIRST NATURE CONSERVANCY THAT FOCUSES ON SOUTH AFRICA'S UNIQUE FAUNA AND FLORA DIVERSITY RATHER THAN THE BIG FIVE.

GAME HAS BEEN REINTRODUCED ON THABA LAND. BY ONLY STOCKING ANIMAL SPECIES THAT ARE HISTORICALLY NATIVE TO THE HIGHVELD, WE AIM TO INCREASE THE DIVERSITY AND GAME POPULATIONS WITHOUT CAUSING DEGRADATION TO THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT.

WE MANAGE ACTIVITIES THAT IMPACT NEGATIVELY ON THE ENVIRONMENT BY:

- PROHIBITING OFF-ROAD DRIVING
- EMBARKING ON REGULAR LITTER CLEAN-UPS AND THE REMOVAL OF SNARES

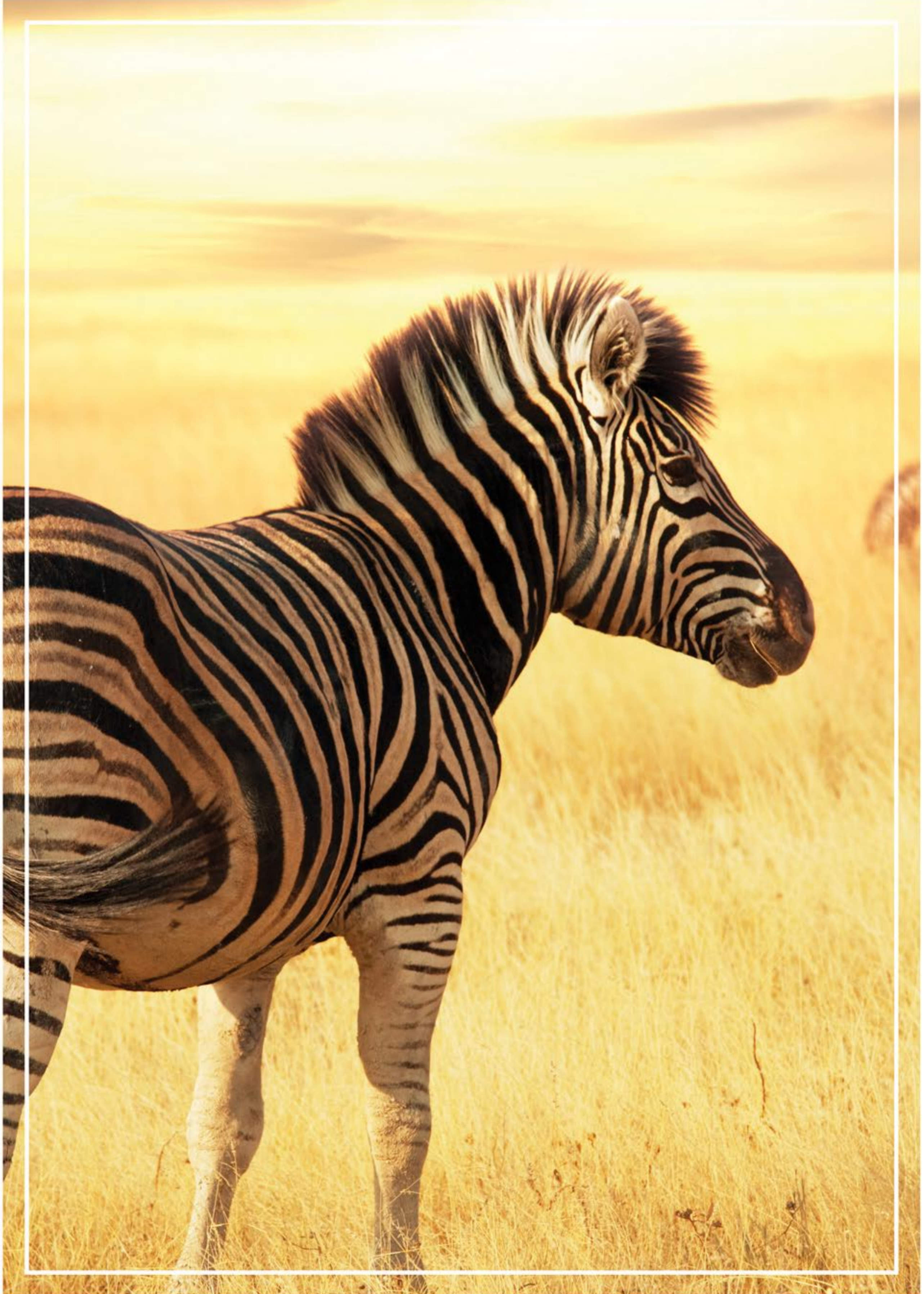
WE ALSO ENCOURAGE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH OF THE FOLLOWING CREATURES, BASED ON THE CITIZEN'S APPROACH:

- SMALL MAMMAL/REPTILIAN
- SPIDER, BUTTERFLY AND INVERTEBRATES
- FLORA IDENTIFICATION

10. EDUCATION

THABA PROMOTES ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AND AWARENESS BY MEANS OF:

- THE ECO KIDS CLUB: SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS AND NATURE WALKS
- THE ENVIRONMENTAL CENTRE
- STAFF TRAINING: WE TAKE PRIDE IN EDUCATING OUR STAFF ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF CONSERVING BIODIVERSITY
- DISPLAYED INTERPRETATION MATERIAL FOR GUESTS AND STAFF
- GUIDED MEDICINAL PLANT TOURS: THESE RAISE AWARENESS OF THE DIFFERENT PLANTS THAT CAN AND DO PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN PEOPLE'S LIVES
- THABA LEARNERSHIP ACADEMY: AN IN-HOUSE TRAINING PROGRAMME AIMED AT DEVELOPING STAFF SKILLS
- ABET AND LITERARY PROGRAMMES: WE EMPOWER OUR STAFF BY PROVIDING THEM WITH ADULT BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERARY TRAINING



11. ECONOMIC IMPACT

THABA ECO HOTEL IS A CO-FOUNDER OF SOJO (WWW.SOJO.CO.ZA). SOJO CREATES JOB OPPORTUNITIES IN THE AREA BY CLEANING STREETS. IT ALSO PROMOTES LOCAL TOURISM.

THABA ECO HOTEL ENCOURAGES GUESTS TO VISIT PLACES OF SOCIAL AND HISTORICAL INTEREST BY LISTING THE ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY. TRANSFERS, TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS AND TOURS CAN BE ARRANGED FOR THE FOLLOWING DESTINATIONS THROUGH OUR IN-HOUSE TRAVEL DESK:

JOHANNESBURG CITY & SOWETO TOURS

- JOHANNESBURG CITY TOUR
- JOHANNESBURG SOWETO TOUR
- SOWETO TOUR
- DESMOND TUTU'S HOUSE
- THE NELSON MANDELA MUSEUM
- IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MANDELA
- GOLD REEF CITY CASINO AND THEME PARK
- THE APARTHEID MUSEUM
- RED TOP TOUR BUS

ART GALLERIES

MATULI FINE ART | EVERARD READ GALLERY | CIRCA GALLERY | GOODMAN GALLERY
THE STANDARD BANK ART GALLERY

SHOPPING

THE GLEN SHOPPING CENTRE | ROSEBANK MALL AND ROSEBANK'S THE ZONE | MELROSE ARCH
HYDE PARK SHOPPING CENTRE | SANDTON CITY SHOPPING CENTRE | NELSON MANDELA SQUARE

PRETORIA CITY TOURS

UNION BUILDINGS AND PRETORIA BOTANICAL GARDENS | WONDERBOOM NATURE RESERVE
CULLINAN DIAMOND MINE

HISTORY

CRADLE OF MANKIND | THE ORIGINS CENTRE AT WITS

NATURE AND WILDLIFE

KLIPRIMERSBERG NATURE RESERVE | SHAMBALA GAME RESERVE | MONTECASINO BIRD PARK
THE LION AND RHINO PARK | THE ELEPHANT SANCTUARY | THE LION PARK | THE ANN VAN DYK
CHEETAH CENTRE | THE PILANSBERG AND SUN CITY | JOHANNESBURG ZOO | PRETORIA ZOO

OUTDOOR ADVENTURES

KLIPRIMERSBERG NATURE RESERVE HORSE TRAILS | HOT AIR BALLOONING | GOLD REEF CITY
THEME PARK | GLENVISTA COUNTRY CLUB | WANDERER'S GOLF CLUB | SOWETO TOWERS
BUNGEE JUMPING

CASINOS AND THEATRES

GOLD REEF CITY CASINO AND THEATRE | MONTE CASINO AND THEATRE | CARNIVAL CITY CASINO



12. SOCIAL IMPACT

THABA FACILITATES PRO-BONO COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS SUCH AS THE POLICING FORUM, KLIPSA, SOJO, AND KUBIC GREEN BUSINESS PLATFORM. WE FURTHER PROMOTE SOCIAL WELFARE BY SPONSORING AND DONATING TO VARIOUS CHARITIES.

WE CARE FOR OUR STAFF BY CULTIVATING A FAMILY FEEL IN THE COMPANY RATHER THAN A CLINICAL CORPORATE ENVIRONMENT.

THE HOTEL EMBARKS ON CRAFTS, UP-CYCLING PROGRAMMES AND BUSH-CLEARING OPERATIONS THAT PROVIDE OUR STAFF WITH WOOD TO TAKE HOME.

WE ENCOURAGE OUR GUESTS TO TREAT CULTURAL HERITAGE WITH DIGNITY AND RESPECT BY DISPLAYING INFORMATION BOARDS:

- ALONG THE BUSH WALKS AND AT OUR ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES. THESE INFORM OUR GUESTS ABOUT THE CUSTOMS AND TRADITIONS OF THE BATSWANA PEOPLE
- AT THE CONSTITUTION KRAAL
- ALONG THE MEDITATION TRAIL
- ABOUT OUR ECO-TOURISM BUSINESS MODEL AND WHY WE CHOSE IT OVER HIGH-DENSITY DEVELOPMENT

13. HEALTH AWARENESS

THABA ECO HOTEL PROVIDES FIRST-AID TRAINING AND FACILITIES FOR STAFF AND LOCAL PEOPLE. WE ALSO OFFER HEALTH CLINIC SERVICES FOR STAFF MEMBERS.

14. PROCUREMENT

THABA HAS AN ESTABLISHED GREEN POLICY THAT IS USED AS A YARDSTICK TO MEASURE ALL OUR PROCUREMENTS, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES. THIS POLICY:

- PROMOTES THE PURCHASE OF LOCAL AND SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTS FOR OUR GUESTS
- GIVES PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT TO SUPPLIERS WHO OFFER RECYCLED PRODUCTS, AND/OR ARE LOCALLY SITUATED

ALL OUR WOODEN FURNITURE IS MANUFACTURED IN A SUSTAINABLE WAY AND WE BUY BIODEGRADABLE PRODUCTS WHERE POSSIBLE. THE CHEFS AT THABA ECO HOTEL ARE URGED TO SPEAK TO FOOD SUPPLIERS TO REDUCE THE USE OF FOOD PACKAGING AND WE USE ONLY HACCP APPROVED CHEMICALS.

15. AFFILIATIONS

THABA ECO HOTEL IS AFFILIATED WITH THE FOLLOWING ORGANISATIONS:

- KLIPRIMERSBERG CONSERVANCY: CO-FOUNDER
- KUBIC (KLIPRIMER URBAN BIODIVERSITY CORRIDOR): A PROUDLY THABA INITIATIVE, TO PROMOTE TOURISM IN THE SOUTH OF JOBURG AND ENHANCE THE AESTHETIC VALUE OF THE AREA
- KLIPSA (KLIPRIMERSBERG SUSTAINABILITY ASSOCIATION; FOUNDING MEMBER) - WWW.KLIPSA.ORG.ZA
- GREEN BUSINESS PLATFORM: AN INITIATIVE CREATED BY THABA ECO HOTEL AND KLIPSA IN PARTNERSHIP WITH SOJO, CAXTON COMMUNITY NEWSPAPERS AND RAND WATER'S WATER WISE, DESIGNED TO ENCOURAGE BUSINESSES TO ADOPT SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS PRACTICES



OUR GOAL IS TO:

- RAISE AWARENESS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES IN THE COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY THOSE BASED ON NATURAL RESOURCES
- ESTABLISH A MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION

16. FUTURE PLANS:

WE HAVE GREAT PLANS AT THABA ECO HOTEL. SOME OF THE INITIATIVES WE HAVE SCHEDULED ARE:

- THE THABA WEDDING FOREST: ALL COUPLES WHO GET MARRIED AT THABA ECO HOTEL WILL BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO PLANT A COMMITMENT TREE IN OUR WEDDING FOREST. THIS FOREST IS SCHEDULED TO BE CREATED BEFORE THE END OF 2014.
- SOLAR PROGRAMME: THABA HAS BEEN SELECTED FOR A SOLAR PROGRAMME WHEREBY WE WILL STORE SOLAR-GENERATED ELECTRICITY IN THE EVENT OF A POWER FAILURE. ONLY WHEN ONE OF THE BATTERIES HAS BEEN EXHAUSTED, WILL THE DIESEL-POWERED GENERATOR KICK IN.

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