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ACCOMMODATION AT GAMKASKLOOF (THE HELL)

The remote and isolated Gamkaskloof valley in the Klein Karoo was first inhabited by farmers in 1830 and was only accessibly by foot until 1962 when a road was finally built. The valley is of ecological, archaeological, and cultural-historical importance and is managed as part of the Swartberg Nature Reserve. The Swartberg Nature Reserve is also a declared World Heritage Site.

Things to remember: Speed limit – 40km per hour at all times: Office hours – 07h30 to 16h00: PLEASE CONTACT RESERVE BEFORE LEAVING HOME IF YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO GET THERE DURING OFFICE HOURS AND THEY WILL ARRANGE WITH YOU WHERE TO GET YOUR KEYS TO THE UNIT. 087 087 3943

- * **Accessibility:** The road is a gravel and we recommend high clearance vehicles (such as a 4x4's or bakkies). Off-road trailers can be taken but no caravans. Nearest towns: Prince Albert ±86km or Oudtshoorn ±100km.
- * **Quad- & motorbikes:** Special permission needs to be obtained for access by Motorbike. **No** unlicensed vehicles and **Quadbikes** may be used on the reserve (Gamkaskloof and Swartberg Nature Reserve and Pass). Permission obtainable for motorbikes from nmouries@capenature.co.za
- * **Shops & fuel:** Prince Albert and Oudtshoorn are the “last stop” for groceries and fuel before Gamkaskloof. Curio/restaurant kiosks are available at the private landowners. There are **NO** shops, restaurants, or places to refuel in or along the way to The Hell.
- * **Directions:** Follow the Swartberg Pass from Prince Albert or Oudtshoorn, near the summit is a turnoff marked Gamkaskloof/The Hell. From here you still have a 37 km gravel road to the bottom of Gamkaskloof, +/- 3 hours traveling time.
- * **Arrival & Departure:** It can take up to 4 hours to travel from Oudtshoorn or Prince Albert to The Hell. You can take occupancy of the accommodation any time from **14:00 but please arrive before 16:00**. Departure is at 10:00. Keys to the accommodation units are to be collected at the Reserve Offices at “Ouplaas”: ± 13km along the valley bottom a small distance past the Gamkariver. You will pass the private landowners Kiosk and then only reach the Gamkariver Bridge and then it is only a short distance to the Ou Plaas office/Info centre, Curio Shop and Museum. **We accept cash and card facility available at the office on the reserve.**
- * **Bedding:** Bedding and towels is supplied at all the cottages but not at the bush shelter. Visitors must please bring their own food. Wood for sale at the office centre.
- * **Firearms, fireworks, and pets** (sorry, not even small ones) are **NOT** allowed in Gamkaskloof or Swartberg Nature Reserve.
- * **Activities:** Fishing is allowed if you have a valid permit. There are 2 Day trails in the area and swimming in the river is also allowed (Permits available at reserve office at Ou Plaas).
- * **Please remember that you are in a nature reserve. No fauna or flora may be damaged, removed or disturbed in any way. NO LITTERING OF ANY KIND + NO COLLETING OF FIREWOOD**
- * **Electricity:** Solar panel lighting available at all houses and bush shelter. No electrical plugs available.
- * **Firewood:** All wood must be purchased on the reserve. Guests are not allowed to bring wood into the reserve.

Bush Shelter (max 12 ppl)

Bathroom: 2 Bathrooms, both with flush toilets, showers, basin, and warm water. Please bring your own towels.

Kitchen: Gas hob and solar fridge. Cutlery and crockery provided.

Inside and outside braai's available. Firewood must be bought at the office/on reserve, **card facility available.**

Sleeping quarters: 12 Single beds with mattresses, in dormitory style. No linen supplied.

SELF-CATERING HOUSES

Koot Cordier House (max 6 ppl)

- Bathroom:** Koot has been kept in its original historic state and therefore has no indoor bathroom but does have a fully equipped bathroom with flush toilet, shower and basin just a small distance from the house. A zink bath and bucket is provided for authenticity and can be used if preferred.
- Kitchen:** Equipped with gas hob and solar fridge, black stove and warm water sink. Cutlery and crockery included and braai facility available.
- Bedroom:** Two bedrooms, sleeping up to 6 people; Room 1: 1 double bed; Room 2: 2 single beds and 2 single beds in lounge area. Bedding included and towels.
Firewood must be bought at the office/on reserve, **card facility available.**
Splash pool available.

Schoolmaster's House (max 3 ppl)

- Bathroom:** Indoors, warm water shower and basin, as well as a flush toilet.
- Kitchen:** Equipped with gas hob, solar fridge, black stove, sink and warm water. Cutlery and crockery included and braai facility available.
- Bedroom:** Sleeps 3 people in 2 rooms; Room 1: 2 single beds; Room 2: 1 single bed.
Bedding included and towels, please bring own food.
Firewood must be bought at the office/on reserve, **card facility available.**
Splash pool available.

Trappiesgewel Semi-detached House: Freek and Martha (max 4 ppl)

- Bathroom:** Indoors, with warm water, shower, flush toilet and basin.
- Kitchen:** Equipped with gas hob, solar fridge, black stove and sink. Cutlery and crockery included and braai facility available.
- Bedroom:** Two rooms, sleeping 4 people; Room 1: 1 double bed; Room 2: 2 single beds. Bedding included and towels, please bring food own food.
Firewood must be bought at the office/on reserve, **card facility available.**

Trappiesgewel Semi-detached House: Piet en Bellie (max 3 ppl)

- Bathroom:** At back door (indoors), with shower, flush toilet, basin and warm water.
- Kitchen:** Equipped with gas hob, solar fridge, black stove and sink. Cutlery and crockery included and braai facility available.
- Bedrooms:** Sleeps 3 people in two rooms; Room 1: 2 single beds; Room 2: 1 single bed. Bedding included and towels, please bring own food.
Firewood must be bought at the office/on reserve, **card facility available.**

Snyman House (max 6 ppl)

- Bathroom:** Situated at back door (indoors), with warm water, basin, shower and flush toilet.
- Kitchen:** Equipped with gas hop and solar fridge, black stove and basin with warm water. Cutlery and crockery included and braai facility available.
- Bedroom:** Three bedrooms, sleeping six people; Room 1: $\frac{3}{4}$ bed; Room 2: 2 single beds; Room 3: 2 single beds. A sleeper couch accommodating an additional 2 persons is also available for larger groups. Bedding included and towels, please bring own food.
Wood for sale at the office centre, card facility available.

Splash pool available.

Sankie Marais House (max 8 ppl)

Bathroom: Situated at the kitchen door (indoors), with shower, basin, flush toilet and warm water.
Kitchen: Equipped with gas stove and solar fridge, black stove, sink with warm water. Cutlery and crockery included and braai facility available.
Bedroom: Four bedrooms, sleeping 6 to 8 people; Room 1: 2 single beds; Room 2: 2 single beds; Room 3: one double bed; Room 4: ¾ bed. Bedding included and towels, please bring own food.
Wood for sale at the office centre, card facility available.
Splash pool available.

Lenie Marais House (max 5ppl)

Bathroom: Indoors, with warm water, shower, flush toilet and basin.
Kitchen: Equipped with gas hob, solar fridge and sink. Cutlery and crockery included and braai facility available.
Bedroom: Three bedrooms, sleeping 5 people; Room 1: 2 single beds; Room 2: one double bed; Room 3: one single bed. Bedding included and towels, please bring own food.
Wood for sale at the office centre, card facility available.
Splash pool available.

Willem Marais House (max 2ppl)

Bathroom: Indoors, with warm water, shower, flush toilet and basin.
Kitchen: Equipped with gas hob, solar fridge and sink. Cutlery and crockery included and braai facility available.
Bedroom: One bedroom, sleeping two people; Room 1: 2 single beds. Bedding included and towels, please bring own food.
Wood for sale at the office, card facility available.

Andries Marais House (max 5ppl)

Bathroom: Situated at back door (indoors), with warm water, basin, shower and flush toilet.
Kitchen: Equipped with gas hob, solar fridge, black stove and sink. Cutlery and crockery included and braai facility available.
Bedroom: Four bedrooms, sleeping five people; Room 1: 1 single bed; Room 2: 1 single bed; Room 3: 1 single bed; Room 4: 1 Double bed. Bedding included and towels, please bring own food.
Wood for sale at the office centre, card facility available.

Marais Cordier House (max 6ppl)

Bathroom: Indoors, with warm water, shower and basin + separate room with flush toilet and hand basin
Kitchen: Equipped with gas hob, solar fridge, black stove and sink. Cutlery and crockery included and braai facility available.
Bedroom: Three bedrooms, sleeping six people; Room 1: 1 Double bed; Room 2: 2 single beds; Room 3: 2 single beds. Bedding included and towels, please bring own food.
Wood for sale at the office centre, card facility available.

Stappies Cordier House (max 2ppl) (Disability Friendly – Wheelchair Friendly)

House equipped with handicapped shower, toilet, taps, basin, wide pathways, and doors for wheelchairs.

Bathroom: Indoors, with *warm* water, shower, flush toilet and basin.

Kitchen: Equipped with gas hob, solar fridge, black stove and sink. Cutlery and crockery included and braai facility available.

Bedroom: One bedroom, sleeping two people; Room 1: 1 double bed. Bedding included and towels, please bring own food.

Wood for sale at the office centre, *card facility available.*
