

Business Profile – Ekala Guest Farm and Eco Tours

Generally operating as Ekala Eco Tours and Ekala Guest House.

Welcome to South Africa – Our Home, Our Country, Our Passion.

General Business Information

- Business Name: Ekala Guest Farm and Eco Tours/Ekala Eco Tours/Ekala Guest House.
- Operational Address: Portion 81, Cayman Road, Alewynspoort, Eikenhof, Johannesburg.
- Phone Numbers: Owners: Janet +27 (0) 72 604 1879 and Linda +27 (0) 71 606 6595.
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- Company Status: Family owned and run small tourism business focusing on private, specialised and professional tours/safaris.
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Certainly most convenient and due to us being on tour and not always able to take your call.

Main areas of business:

Professional private tours and private safaris.

[Johannesburg Accommodation](#) – Ekala Guest House (also referred to as Ekala Guest Farm).

Guest House accommodation primarily used in conjunction within tour & safari packages.

Main Tours: [South Africa cultural and historical tours](#) with focus on Johannesburg & Pretoria.

Safaris: In [Kruger and Pilanesberg National Game Parks](#). Although these two are our focus, Ekala can structure to include any of South Africa's National Parks.

Specialised Tour Services:

[Mining tours](#) – historical to current operations – surface / underground. Gold / Diamonds / Platinum.

[Struggle against Apartheid](#). From colonisation to democracy. Including many of those in the struggle, including, but not limited to Nelson Mandela and Mahatma Gandhi.

[Battlefield tours](#). Anglo Boer (First & Second Boer Wars) – Anglo Zulu – Voortrekker Zulu. KwaZulu Natal (Buller's route) & western route (Cape Colony to Pretoria - Lord Roberts route) & battles in Magaliesberg mountain range, both east & west of Pretoria. Also battles for Johannesburg.

[Birding and Nature Eco tours](#). Scenic and ecologically focused tours across South Africa.

Small group photographic nature & wildlife tours – maximum of 3 guests in these tours and safaris.

Business Capacity – focus on small private groups:

Maximum of 2 private groups at any one time. Maximum of 4 in one group and 9 in the other.
However, both “groups” can be solo travellers.

Ekala does not offer or supply the mixed group type tours that we believe in the long run do not supply the international tourist with the best South African understanding or experience.

Ekala does not subcontract to other tour or safari operators.

Guest House:

Conveniently located close to downtown Johannesburg and Soweto, with the advantage of being in the tranquil countryside, away from the bustling city atmosphere.

Meals combine our rich diverse dishes, century-old recipes and home-made specialties. Enjoy your meals with locals – the Ekala family.

Guest House capacity is 20, maximum 24. However used within a tour/safari package capacity is as tours – detailed above.

Additional guest house use - academic and university retreats, educational tours and business accommodation for extended contract projects.

More specifically who we are:

Ekala Guest Farm and Eco Tours was established in 2004 as a family run specialised tour and safari operator. Focusing where our experience, knowledge and passion lies – in South Africa.

A family team born and bred in South Africa (5 generations), who have a true love for the country, its cultural diversity, breath taking beauty and a deep-seated commitment to supply the finest tour/safari experiences from a local perspective.


Highly qualified, dedicated, and experienced professionals with decades of practical and in-depth knowledge to provide the best tour and safari package for the leisure or business traveller.

With steady growth over the past sixteen years from a fledgling company to our present position as a small independent, yet competitive industry operator.

Ekala Guest Farm and Eco Tours has earned a reputation for satisfying the needs of the well-travelled. With our appreciation of South Africa’s historical heritage, wildlife, natural beauty, natural diversity, eco-tourism and cultural diversity with human values. Ekala Guest Farm and Eco Tours maintains a strong focus on sustainable tourism.

Our historical background and our knowledge in South Africa allow Ekala to present our personal and experienced recommendations.

Local professional tour guides who have in-depth local knowledge of South Africa’s history, geography, archaeology, culture and religion that will enable visitors to fully absorb the overall wealth of South Africa.



As passionate South African's, it allows us to know the best safari experiences, activities, accommodations and dining options and help take care of the personalised touches to your South African adventure.

Operating successfully in the medium to high end of the market, Ekala has won the trust of exclusive and demanding clientele.

Emphasis is placed on including local communities and local guides. Building and encouraging the upliftment within our youth and supporting local entrepreneurs. Our clients leave with a deep connection and lasting relationships that brings about such important projects and friendships within these communities.

The carefully balanced combination of knowledge of South African conditions, our people and our complex history and the experience of working with international travellers.


Ekala's mission is to:

- Provide a high-quality private safari and tour service (culturally and historically).
- Create and cultivate long-term relationships with clients, encouraging future visits and enabling our guests to positively "sell" South Africa.
- Provide our clients with a comprehensive (and positive) understanding of South Africa – our past, present and South Africa's potential future.
 - Maintain a high level of knowledge on current events, both in South Africa and the World.
 - Improve our services professionalism, knowledge and quest for service excellence continuously.
 - Maintain relationships with our international clients, even once they have returned home.
 - Provide visitors an authentic South Africa experience.
 - Offer an insight to the tourist of disenfranchised communities and informal settlements.
 - Provide an understanding of South Africa's diverse cultures.
- Exciting itineraries and personalised tours based on clients' schedule and interests. Including well-structured routes.
 - Fast response to all mails: All requests responded to within 24 hours by one of the team.
 - Promote South Africa as a leading tourism destination.

The "Eco" in Ekala Eco Tours

Visiting protected areas intended as low impact and then environmentally sustainable.

Educate travellers and foster respect for different cultures and wildlife in the natural environment.



Eco tours to South African destinations where the flora, fauna then additionally cultural and historical heritage are the primary attractions.

Ekala Eco Tours believes that benefits of Eco driven tours are extensive and that such tours will attract guests who have a common interest in nature, wildlife and culture.

Conservation - We at Ekala Eco Tours are aware of South Africa's environmental issues and are thus extremely passionate about conservation and protection of South Africa's unique environment and then cultural diversity.

Ekala has made a special commitment to consider environmental and socio-cultural issues in all aspects of our tours. Each tour is thus specifically designed to enrich both the guest and accordingly the community or area we are visiting.

Eco tourism intended to offer tourists insight into the impact humans have on the environment and consequently foster a greater appreciation of our natural habitats.

Ekala Eco tours contribute and support conservation and community-based initiatives by including key destinations in our itineraries.

We create our tours/safari in a manner that is both memorable and enriching, thus you choosing to go on one of our Eco Tours, you will be given a unique opportunity to learn and experience South Africa's culture, history and environment.

Eco tourism is additionally the promotion of recycling, energy efficiency and water conservation.

Ekala Eco Tours adhere to the following three principles:

Education: Our South Africa tours enable guests to gain an in-depth understanding, appreciation, awareness and respect of the historical, cultural and natural aspects of South Africa.

Raising conservation and environmental appreciation and increasing international awareness of wildlife and the natural environment.

Environmental advocacy: Promote the sustainable use of environmental resources and the conservation and protection of South Africa's numerous national assets.

Environmental Responsibility: Our eco tours have minimal impact on the environment and the local people, take only photographs leave no litter and then take no natural souvenirs.

We also encourage guests to behave in an environmentally responsible manner so that they can minimize their impact on the environment.

Indeed by explaining the international conventions on purchasing animal products and the illegal trade in wildlife.

Captive wildlife industry - Commercial Game Parks

Due to conservation issues that Ekala Eco Tours finds unacceptable – we do not support these types of commercially structured wildlife parks and breeding facilities.

Wildlife tours – no interactions. Ekala complies completely with international attempts to eradicate canned hunting and animal abuse.

Our Services:

Offering a complete package from arrival to departure. Tailor-made to your specifications.

Alternatively, tours/safaris to fill in times within your schedule. Structured as required.

We understand business travel and the need to structure around meetings and business engagements.

We guide you on this adventure of a lifetime and ensure your satisfaction throughout.

Covering every detail required for the client's convenience with the intention to supply complete satisfaction and to exceed their expectations.

Conclusion:

Clients who have travelled with Ekala Eco Tours, know us for our efforts to give back and make a positive change in South Africa.

Easily recognising that we are not the norm: we genuinely care and offer a heartfelt commitment to our guests and to the integration of responsible tourism with wildlife conservation.

A trip to South Africa is not a holiday, it is an adventure.

We are ethically minded and, as such we endeavour to offer competitive prices, in the end however, we will always favour responsible and ethical tourism/consumerism.

Allow us to share with you, our love and knowledge of this beautiful country. Consequently leaving you with a greater understanding of the need to protect our natural and historically significant areas.

In every respect, to supply you an experience you will never forget – for the right reasons.

Janet, Malcolm and Linda – Ekala Eco Tours

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