

Malaria Free Shamwari

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Bayethe Lodge | Shamwari

There are 9 rooms at Bayethe Lodge. Children are accepted.

Personal Impression

Bayethe Lodge is the most authentic place you can stay in Shamwari to get the feeling of being deep in the African bush. It is like stepping back in time. As soon as you arrive, you sense that spirit of Africa.



The main building is made of rock and thatch and is one huge complex with different seating areas leading up to the dining area. The lodge is set on the banks of the river and with the luxury tents you really do feel as if you are in the Kruger Park area.



Accommodations

The rooms are nine air-conditioned tents with private plunge pools so please don't think this is not luxury - it is very luxurious. All very privately situated and with wonderful views over the bush. There is something special about staying in a tent in Africa and I do believe most people will really enjoy Bayethe.



Public Rooms, Spa and Dining

The main room is impressive. One big space divided up into smaller sections with the dining area at the back. I loved the feel of this area. In front of the main building is a huge deck with chairs and tables looking over the river below. Down a path and some steps, you end up on a viewing deck with a bar that overlooks the river. What a special spot this is and one that really beckons at sunset (Pictured far right above.)

Spa

There is not a spa at Bayethe Lodge.



Website: [Bayethe Lodge](http://www.bayethelodge.com)

Eagles Crag | Shamwari Game Reserve

The most luxurious and upscale lodge in the Shamwari collection. There are nine rooms.

Personal Impression

Eagles Crag is a place I would like to return and stay awhile. This is a fantastic lodge with a comfortable and ultra-luxurious ambiance. The location is quite a distance from the other lodges and in an area with more interesting terrain. The lodge sits in a valley surrounded by hills and is really appropriately named.



Accommodations

Without a doubt, these were among the most luxurious and inviting rooms we have seen anywhere. The rooms are all individual rock and thatched roof cottages. The area is divided into sections by half walls so the room has a wonderfully large feel.

The bed is on an angle in the room facing the expansive deck complete with private plunge pool. The room is decorated in light contemporary colors, features indoor and outdoor shower and wall-to-wall glass for a spectacular view of the bush. It is so appealing you may never want to leave.



Public Rooms, Spa and Dining

Eagles Crag is appealing from the moment you step into the spacious foyer opening out onto the different areas of the entry way. The decor is in warm tones and very inviting. Eagles Crag

Lodge is set high on the hill and the decks from outside the building offer great vistas of the bush. The lodge features a wellness center with many available treatments. The dining room is casual elegance and the boma it made with natural rocks.



Website: [Eagles Crag](#)

Long Lee Manor | Shamwari Game Reserve

There are 18 rooms at Long Lee Manor. Children are accepted.

Personal Impression

Long Lee Manor is the largest of the Shamwari properties. It attracts more families than couples and also British and German tourists. It has an Edwardian English Manor feel. There are two pools on the property.



Accommodations

The rooms are a good size and there are many different types of rooms. Most are in smaller buildings that house a grouping of rooms. The bathroom in our room was very large and ran the entire length of the room. The rooms are comfortable.



Public Rooms and Dining

The public rooms are furnished in dark woods. There is a really delightful bar with a roaring fireplace at each end and it is well designed with seating conducive to conversation. The main dining room seats all guest for breakfast and lunch. Dinner is often held in "the barn" which has a fireplace in the center. Since Long Lee Manor does not have a boma, this is the next best

thing. The meals here were really excellent; there were lots of choices and the food was tasty and well cooked.

Spa and Fitness Center

There was not a spa at the time of our visit. However, as an update, they have since added a Relaxation Retreat with two treatment rooms, a steam room, and a sauna. There is also a fitness center.

Website: [Long Lee Manor](#)



Riverdene Lodge | Shamwari Game Reserve

There are only nine rooms at Riverdene. Children are accepted.



Personal Impression

Riverdene is a very intimate lodge and has a nice feeling of space. The pool is huge and dominates the front of the lodge. I think this is a really nice option if Eagles Crag is not in your budget.

Accommodations

The rooms at Riverdene are large. Each room is slightly different but all have a decor of dark woods and overstuffed cushioning - very comfortable. The bathrooms are also large and finished in light colors. The lodge does have a more traditional feel as the rooms are all accommodated in one building with a wide-open hallway connecting the rooms to the main lounge areas of the lodge.



Public Rooms, Spa and Dining

The pool here is truly oversized and dominates the front of the lodge. If you enjoy a pool, then you should certainly consider staying at Riverdene. The public rooms are furnished in dark woods with overstuffed cushioning. The covered patio is the scene for many meals and has a huge barbeque area with a delightful view overlooking the pool and the bush. The formal

dining room is spacious and set with white table cloths that off-set the dark woods of the chairs and furnishings. There is no spa at Riverdene.



Website: [Riverdene Lodge](http://www.riverdene.com)