

MALEALEA LODGE - RATES FOR ACTIVITIES (01 JAN - 31 DEC 2025)

Day Pony Treks	1 person	pp for 2 people	pp for 3 people or more
Village (1 hr)	460	460	285
Bushman Paintings (2 – 3hrs)	660	460	395
Top of Gorge (2hrs)	660	550	395
Botsoela Waterfall from (4hrs)	780	605	470
Waterfall & Bushman Paintings (5 hrs)	835	605	510
Griffiths Day Ride from (6hrs)	835	605	510

Day Hikes	pp
Bushman Paintings (2 – 3hrs)	90
Top of Gorge (2hrs)	60
Pitseng Gorge (3hrs)	90
Pitseng Day Hike (from 6 hrs)	200
Botsoela Waterfall (from 4hrs)	220
Waterfall & Bushman Paintings (5 hrs)	150
Gates of Paradise Hike (7+ hrs)	220
3 Peaks Hike – Mafukufuku (7+ hrs)	220

Cultural Activities	pp
Village (1hr) Includes: • Beer Tasting • Talk with Chief	50
Village (2hrs) Includes: • Beer Tasting • Talk with Chief	80
Village (3hrs) Includes: Includes: • Beer Tasting • Talk with Chief • Visit to Museum	140
Musi's Donga (2 hrs)	90

Paleng Children's Library
• Only available on certain days.
• Donations are welcome

Mountain Biking	1 person	pp for 2 people	pp for 3 people or more
Half day (includes MTB Hire and guide)	350	350	350
Full day (includes MTB Hire and guide)	500	500	500

Bring your own bike and hire a guide @ 350 per group (max 4) for up to 3 hours or R500 per group (max 4) for up to 6 hours. Request quote for extra people.

Village Homestay	pp
Overnight in a typical Basotho Village 20 minutes walk from Malealea Lodge. Includes accommodation, sleeping bag and a light traditional dinner and breakfast.	430

Sangoma Visit	100	Choir & Band – Suggested Donation: R30 for Choir. R25 for Band
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Overnight Pony Trek & Hiking Routes	
1. The Ribaneng Waterfall Trek	2 days, 1 night
2. The Ribaneng & Mountain Passes Trek	3 days, 2 nights
3. The Ribaneng & Sekoteng Trek	3 days, 2 nights
4. Ribaneng to Semonkong (one way)	3 days, 2 nights
(Ribaneng, Ketane & Maletsunyane Waterfalls) (Request a quote for No. 4)	
5. Ribaneng & Ketane Waterfall Trek	4 days, 3 nights
6. The Matekane Trek	4 days, 3 nights
7. The Waterfall Wonder Trek	6 days, 5 nights
(Ribaneng, Ketane & Maletsunyane Waterfalls) (Request a quote for No. 7)	

Rates for Overnight Pony Treks – (No's 1. 2. 3. 5. & 6.)	
• Rates include overnight hut accommodation, packhorse and guides	
• No meals or accommodation before and after the trek are included	
• Fully catered Pony Trek/Hike available on request	

Overnight Pony Treks	
1 pax – per person per day – Pony Trek	1395
2 pax – per person per day – Pony Trek	950
3+ pax – per person per day – Pony Trek	860
Overnight Hiking Trails (Slackpacking)	
1 pax – per person per day – Hike	960
2 pax – per person per day – Hike	580
3+ pax – per person per day – Hike	580
Overnight Hiking Trails (Carry own gear)	
Request a Quote	

NOTES FOR ACTIVITIES

Cultural Village Tours

There are mountains to explore, but there is also a culture to discover. We have partnered with the Malealea Development Trust (MDT) to develop informative tours that will expose you to the traditional Basotho way of life in a responsible manner. We offer different versions of this tour based on how long you would like to walk and what you would like to see. The tours range from 1 to 3 hours. Of the portion of the fee, 65% goes to the guides and 35% goes to the MDT to fund various projects that support our community immensely. An MDT staff member will introduce and close the tour, so you can ask as many questions about their work as you like. You may also read more here. Malealea Development Trust

Included in the 2 hours village tour is a visit to a traditional beer brewer and having a talk with the local chief. The 3 hours village tour will take you further to traditional museum

Please Note: You should not give any money directly to anyone along the tour because they have been paid in your fee. If you feel moved to give money, we ask that you save all donations for the MDT at the end of the tour, and then specify what you would like the money to go towards. The staff of the MDT has dedicated their lives to figuring out systemic causes and fundamental solutions to Malealea's problems. They know the people here and are always thinking about the bigger picture. They are the most appropriate channel for your money, should you want to help, and they can always use support. Again, we invite you to read more about their work on their website.

The reception office also gladly collects school supplies, clothing, and books for the Community library and Paleng Children's Library on behalf of the MDT. You can book a tour to the the Paleng Children's Library (only available on certain days of the week). Children attend this library twice a week to borrow and return books. You can join in and read stories to them and interact with the children. There is no fee for this, but donations are most welcome.

Tips: Giving tips are optional. R40 per group per hour is the standard tip for pony trekking and hiking guides. You can give more, but remember all hikes and pony treks will be added onto your bill, so if you feel like giving a tip in addition to what you will be charged on your invoice, then please give this directly to the guide. Please do not give a tip to the guide if he/she asks for a tip. We would like to create a culture where tips are given because excellent service has been received and good information has been exchanged.

Visit Musi's Reclaimed Donga - Revolutionary Conservation: This 3 metre RECLAIMED WASHOUT started in 1986 by Fanuel Musi. This once soil-eroded dried out donga, now has vegetable gardens, reeds, birds and lush vegetation. Springs have started flowing in the this area, where they were never found before. This is a most remarkable achievement! An extremely good example for the rest of the country. Fanuel's grandson and wife are continuing the work and will tell you a wonderful story.

Sangoma: (Traditional Healer & Herbalist) Appointment for late afternoon only: Please book in the morning. This is for people who are genuinely interested in finding out about Traditional Healers. You have to read between the lines and the answers are often symbolic. It's up to you to ask as many questions as possible

Choir & Band: A local choir sings every evening at 17h30 in the summer months and 17h00 in the winter months. This is followed by the Band playing with their home-made instruments. These groups are not paid by the lodge so please support them with a small donation. Their music is inspiring.

Day Pony Treks: Pony Treks are sent off daily as required. If you have small children, please enquire at reception for family discounts. Small children wanting to go on pony treks can take a walking guide for a small extra amount to lead the horses. (Adults also). We strongly recommend that you take out Travel & Medical Insurance should you wish to partake in any of the adventure activities on offer. We do require Indemnity Forms to be filled once at the Lodge. Should you have Medical Insurance, please supply us with your medical insurance number in case of any emergency. The wearing of riding helmets is compulsory. These are supplied.

Overnight Pony Treks & Hiking Trails

PONY TREKS & HIKING TRAILS OVERNIGHTING IN BASOTHO VILLAGES EXPERIENCING "THE REAL AFRICA". The treks are usually about 7 hours each day. No riding experience is necessary. The huts and horses are hired from the Basotho people in remote areas. The huts are very basic and are equipped with a gas cooker, cooking & eating utensils, mattresses on the floor, and a bucket of water. No frills whatsoever. No showers! Long Drop toilets with a view The trails traverse spectacular mountain passes and some of Lesotho's highest waterfalls. Basotho Guides and a packhorse accompany the treks

Overnight Pony Treks & Hiking Rates are per person per day, plus night in village AND range from 2 days - 6 days (or even longer on request).

Please note: Overnight Pony Treks rates exclude meals and are self-catering. Request a quote for a fully catered pony trek