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Introduction

Since opening its doors in 2009, Grootvallei has grown into one of South Africa's premier responsible hunting companies, renowned for producing world-class trophies. What began as a family-run operation in South Africa has since expanded to include exceptional hunting experiences in Namibia and Mozambique.

Owned and operated by Neel van Heerden and his mother, Carol, Grootvallei is built on a foundation of personal involvement and dedication. Their hands-on approach ensures that every aspect of your safari meets the impeccable standards for which they are known for, creating unforgettable experiences for every guest.





Where Strangers Become Friends

Begin your day with the vibrant glow of the African sunrise, accompanied by the rhythmic hum of sun beetles as the day warms up. As evening falls, marvel at a spectacular sunset and relive the day's adventures around the crackling campfire, a cold beer in hand. Under the enchanting Milky Way, you'll find yourself lingering a little longer, captivated by the magic of the African night.

At Grootvallei, we offer a truly unique African experience. Whether you're here for hunting or photographic safaris, or a combination of both, every moment is designed to leave you with unforgettable memories. With our deep expertise and passion for South Africa, we ensure an insightful, seamless, and one-of-a-kind safari adventure.



In Their Own Words

"A trip of a lifetime! At first I was a bit nervous booking with such a young and dynamic team. But let me assure you, Neel and his team created a trip that I will remember forever. We managed to harvest some amazing trophies, and the hospitality was incredible. I cannot wait for our next trip in 2024."

Dave May, U.S.A



"I have been extremely impressed by Grootvallei's professional performance as an outfitting company. I have the deepest respect for Neel's honesty, integrity with game, money and his hunting ethics. The Grootvallei team ensured for one hell of a trip and I'll be back."

Aaron Kingston, U.S.A

"Having hunted plains game and dangerous game all over Africa for the past 30 years, I decided to book a trip with Grootvallei because of their reputable name and highly affordable prices. It is safe to say that I had a wonderful time. Unfortunately, I struggle to walk long distances these days but the Grootvallei Team had immense patience with my inabilities and still ensured that I got my full list of species. Top-class hunting, top-class facilities, and top-class people. Three cheers for the Grootvallei Team. "

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South Africa

As a hunting destination, South Africa offers the widest variety of hunting habitats as well as the most extensive species list. Effectively making South Africa one of the most popular hunting destinations in the world. The wealth of species on offer, the wide range of hunting experiences, overall affordability, and the fantastic infrastructure all contribute to a world-class hunting destination.

Whether you are interested in hunting plains game or members of the "Big Five" - a hunting safari in South Africa is sure to be an exhilarating experience. At Grootvallei we gladly cater for both rifle and bow hunters.

We offer both the seasoned and less experienced hunter a safari to suit their preferences.

Bring your family and friends along and experience the sights and smells of Africa. No hunter or huntress, is too young or too old to join us on an unforgettable hunting adventure.



Choose between our standard packages or enquire about a unique tailor-made package. Tailor-made does not have to mean expensive, but rather that the hunting experience is designed to cater to personalised preferences.





“The only person I envy is the one who has not yet been to Africa – for they have so much to look forward to.” – Richard Mullin.











“Hunting forces a person to endure, to master themselves, even to truly get to know the wild environment.”

- Donald Trump, Jr.



Chasing the Thrill

Dangerous Game Hunting

Embark on the ultimate dangerous game hunting adventure with Grootvallei African Safaris, where we offer an unrivalled experience across Africa in pursuit of the Big Five.

From chasing vast herds of Cape buffalo through the rugged landscapes of the Northern Cape to tracking the elusive leopard in the wilds of Namibia, each hunt promises heart-pounding excitement and unmatched thrills.

With access to prime hunting grounds across the continent, Grootvallei ensures a world-class safari for the most discerning hunters.





Home of the Oryx Slam

Grootvallei African Safaris is world-renowned for the rare and exclusive Oryx Slam—an exceptional hunting experience accessible to only a select few.

This unique offering allows hunters to pursue all three magnificent Oryx species—each with its distinct, striking colours—all on one property.

The Common Oryx boasts classic grey and black markings, the Golden Oryx shines with its remarkable light gold coat, while the Red Oryx displays deep reddish hues, making each trophy truly distinctive







In 2024, Grootvallei set a new benchmark by breaking the record for the largest Oryx Slam ever hunted, solidifying our reputation as the premier destination for this extraordinary achievement.





Accommodation

At Grootvallei, we offer high-quality accommodation paired with attentive service, ensuring every guest feels truly valued. Our main lodge features five luxurious en-suite bedrooms, while the exclusive Presidential Suite and elegant two-bedroom villa provide added privacy and comfort.

Your relaxation is our priority, and every detail is designed to make your safari experience as comfortable and memorable as possible. Whether you're staying in the heart of the action at the lodge or opting for one of our premium options, you'll enjoy unparalleled hospitality in a serene African setting.

Some of the services that we offer at our lodges include:

- Laundry service
- Three full meals served with South Africa's finest wines
- A selection of local and imported, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages
- Wi-Fi





Camps are safe, and exclusivity is guaranteed in all our lodges at no extra fee.



Dining Experience

At Grootvallei, dining is more than a meal—it's an experience to savour. Our guests are treated to three thoughtfully crafted meals daily, each celebrating the rich flavours of Africa with a mix of vegetarian and meat dishes that cater to all palates.

At Grootvallei, dining is not just about nourishment—it's about connection, culture, and creating moments that linger long after the last bite.



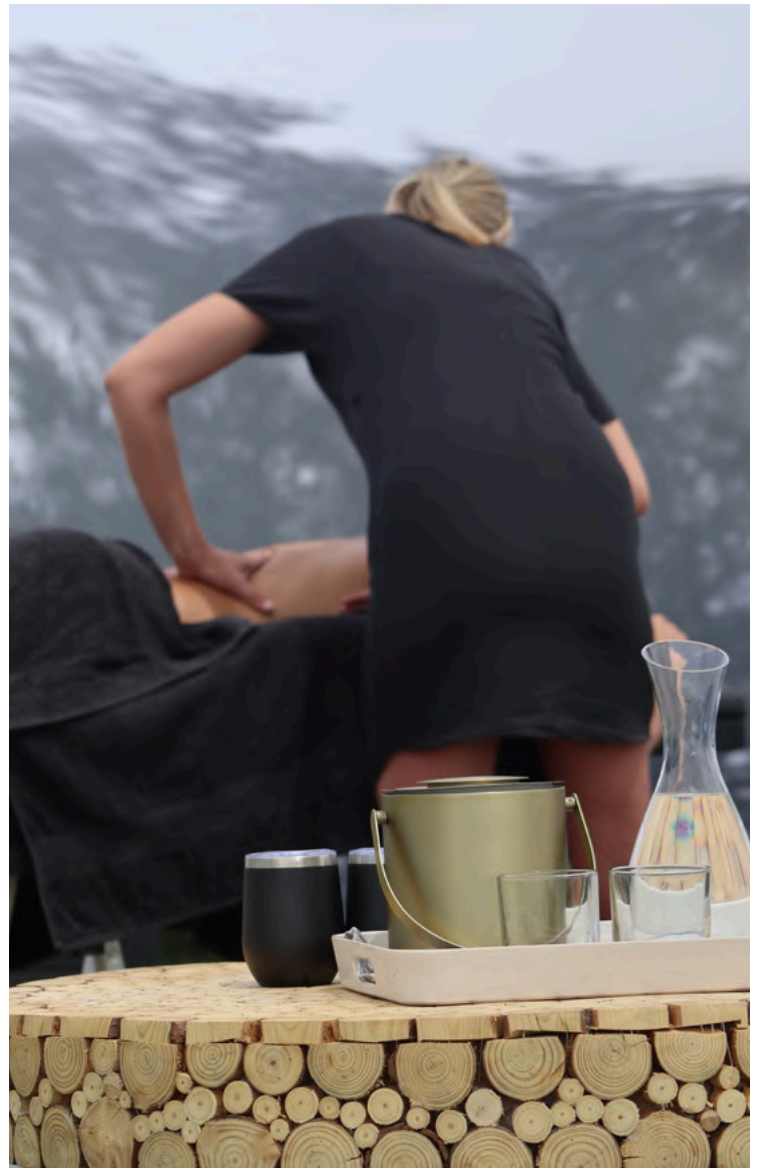
A Tranquil Escape

Pamper Yourself in the Heart of Nature



Indulge in ultimate relaxation at our pop-up spa, nestled in the heart of nature. Enjoy a soothing wood-fired hot tub experience while surrounded by breathtaking views.

Choose from a variety of treatments, including massages, facials, manicures, and pedicures, all designed to help you unwind and rejuvenate during your stay.



Helicopter Culling

Embark on a once-in-a-lifetime Helicopter Culling experience, where adventure meets conservation. This exclusive annual event offers hunters the rare opportunity to assist local farmers by culling warthogs in areas impacted by significant crop damage.



From the breathtaking vantage point of a helicopter, you'll engage in an exhilarating hunt while contributing to vital wildlife management efforts. This unique experience is not just about the thrill of the chase but also about making a meaningful impact on the local ecosystem.



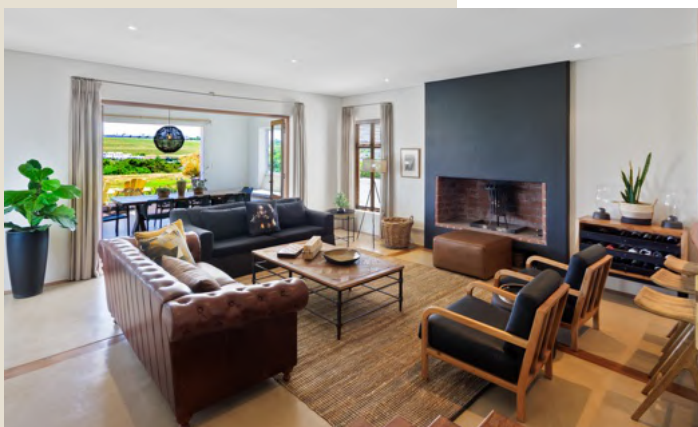
Join us for an unforgettable adventure that combines purpose, conservation, and the adrenaline of hunting from the skies.



Safari to Wine

Come and enjoy South Africa in its entirety. A unique offering to come and experience the places that make our country extraordinary. After ending your safari in the bushveld, head to the wine district of South Africa.

Here you'll find 5-star accommodation, world-renowned wine farms, world-class golf courses, beautiful beaches, and only a 30 minute drive from Cape Town.





At our picturesque Stellenbosch Lodge, guests embark on a thoughtfully crafted experience that sets the standard for exploring Cape Town and its renowned Winelands. The southernmost tip of Africa is a paradise of breathtaking landscapes, pristine beaches, and the meeting of two oceans – the icy Atlantic and the warmer Indian Ocean.

From iconic adventures like ascending Table Mountain by cable car and shark diving to tasting wine at Constantia, the country's oldest wine estate, every moment is unforgettable. Stroll through vibrant markets, indulge in world-class cuisine, shop international fashion, and soak up the sun with Cape Town's famous penguins.

This one-of-a-kind blueprint ensures you enjoy the very best of Cape Town and its surrounding Winelands, making your safari-to-wine journey truly extraordinary.



Premium Wine Experience



Discover the rich flavours and culture of South Africa with our Premium Wine Tasting, a truly unique offering at Grootvallei. Led by our esteemed wine sommelier, Hanneke, this experience showcases some of the finest South African wines, carefully curated to delight your palate.

Whether you prefer to explore a variety of cultivars or tailor the selection to your personal taste, Hanneke ensures a memorable journey through the region's world-class wines. Perfect for both novices and seasoned wine enthusiasts, this tasting is more than a sip—it's an immersive cultural experience that celebrates South Africa's winemaking heritage.



For the Whole Family

For our guests that prefer alternative activities, we have created a collaboration with Namaskar African Retreats. We offer daily yoga, offered in various styles as well as meditation, Yoga Nidra and other wellness practices within the wonders of Africa's wilderness. Catering to all levels and your unique wellness goals, our fully qualified in-house yoga teacher creates a bespoke experience to help you unwind and relax.



Furthermore, we also have private game drives on game viewers as well as on horse back, to allow you to get up close and personal with the animals. Choose between stunning sunrise or sunset drives accompanied with a delicious coffee and rusks or refreshing sundowner. Come detox in our infra-red sauna or KolKol hot tub while overlooking the calming African horizon.

Whether you seek deep relaxation, personal transformation, or connection with nature, we trust you will leave here feeling nurtured, refreshed and inspired.



Namibia



Just an hour's drive from Windhoek, our stunning 9,000-hectare (22,000-acre) concession offers an unparalleled experience for hunters, photographers, and nature enthusiasts alike. This diverse and game-rich landscape is home to over 90 giraffes, 300 Blue Wildebeest, 200 Waterbuck, 150 Mountain Zebra, and an array of other wildlife, making it a true haven for wildlife lovers.

At the heart of the property lies our luxurious 5-bedroom lodge, perched overlooking a tranquil waterhole. This natural gathering point attracts frequent visits from majestic kudu, eland, and playful warthogs, providing guests with an up-close view of Namibia's wildlife.





Indulge in our natural hot water spring, unwind with pop-up spa treatments, and explore six hides perfect for hunters and photographers. Adventure and luxury await at our unforgettable Namibian concession camp.



Mozambique



Our 100,000-hectare (250,000-acre) concession in Mozambique is a spectacular destination for hunters and photographers seeking an authentic African experience. Neighbouring the renowned Gonarezhou Reserve, this vast area teems with Big Five wildlife, including buffalo herds of over 200 strong and legendary 90-pounder elephants.

This is the ultimate destination for serious outdoor enthusiasts and hunters, offering the untamed beauty of Africa's wilderness. The concession features two distinct camps, Mbabala Camp and the tented Muzamani Camp, located 30 km apart, each providing comfort and immersion in the natural surroundings.



With over 300 km of hunting roads, this vast landscape offers endless opportunities to explore and experience Africa at its wildest. Whether you're tracking game or capturing the perfect shot with your camera, this is the adventure of a lifetime.





Discover True Wild Africa in Mozambique!



Visit our National Parks

Embark on an unforgettable family adventure in South Africa's renowned Pilanesberg or Kruger National Park. These breathtaking reserves offer the chance to see some of Africa's most unique wildlife, including the legendary Big Five—lion, leopard, rhino, elephant, and buffalo.

Whether it's a guided game drive, a self-drive safari, or simply soaking in the natural beauty, these parks provide an activity the entire family can enjoy. Witness incredible landscapes and wildlife up close, creating memories that will last a lifetime.



Why book with us?

Choosing a hunting outfitter in Southern Africa is not an easy task. There are hundreds of reputable outfitters to choose from, all offering high quality experiences. At Grootvallei the following is our promise to you:

1 Experience & Expertise

Grootvallei has been offering unforgettable African hunting experiences for a decade. Our team has extensive experience in all aspects of planning the perfect hunting safari, as well as ensuring success out in the field.

2 Competence, Reliability & Professionalism

The key to quality is professionalism and the team at Grootvallei always strive for excellence. Our entire team is very conscious of the fact that our clients' satisfaction comes first. The enjoyment and success of the hunts undertaken are a top priority.

3 Diversity

Grootvallei African Safaris offers an extensive range of trophy animals to pursue in diverse hunting areas, ensuring a tailored experience for every hunter. While most hunts occur at our home base, we also provide access to prime hunting concessions across five provinces in South Africa, Namibia, and Mozambique. These carefully selected areas allow us to meet our client's unique trophy requirements, and we are continually expanding our portfolio to maintain the exceptional quality for which we are renowned. Whether you're seeking an impressive plains game trophy to enhance your collection or the exhilarating challenge of pursuing Buffalo, our extensive list of species guarantees an unforgettable hunting adventure.



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