

What do we conserve?

Join us to be part of responsible tourism to conserve this beautiful Natural Heritage Site and the Soutpansberg Biosphere.

Our Botanical and Faunal Diversity:

The Soutpansberg is recognised as a centre of endemism and biodiversity with nearly 600 different trees of which almost 400 occur in Morning Sun Nature Reserve like the giant Baobab tree or rare Yellow Wood tree, as well as many other floral species, making our reserve a HOTSPOT for biologist.

The Reserve is a pantry of insects and Butterflies which forms part of the sensitive ecosystem and is home to more than 400 bird species, including Verroux's (Black) Eagle, Peregrine Falcon, Pink-throated Twinspot, Golden-backed Pytilia, Blue-mantled Flycatcher, Narina trogon, Purple-crested Lourie, The rare Crested Guinea Fowl besides the more common Helmeted Guinea Fowl, Francolins and Quail .

Mammal species sighted on the reserve include Chacma Baboon, Vervet Monkey, Thick-tailed and Lesser Bushbabies, Leopard, Brown Hyena, Clawless Otter, Honey Badger many species of wild cats, Aardvark, highly endangered Pangolin, Bushpig, Mongoose and Porcupine. 19 antelope species have been sighted: Kudu, Nyala, Bushbuck, Mountain Reedbuck and Klipspringers are viewed regularly; Shy Sharpe's Grysbok, Red Duiker and Reedbuck can be sighted close to the Lodge. Hartman's Zebra live in the mountains.

Because of the mountain terrain these species are well protected yet often difficult to see within the dense African bush. Our guided or relaxing unguided marked walking trails throughout this beautiful reserve offer a chance to cross the paths of our diverse Fauna and Flora which is our mission to protect with the support of our guests enjoyment.