



MALANDELA'S  
LIFESTYLE

# Visitor's Guide

What does Mandela's Lifestyle Centre have to offer?

# About

## Malandela's Lifestyle Centre

Set on a farm with sweeping views of the scenic Malkerns Valley in Eswatini, Malandela's is a sensory experience for the whole family.

Indulge in our [farm-style restaurant](#), shop for [bespoke designs](#), unique local craft and ethically-sourced food in our wide range of [curated stores](#). Experience our [iconic events](#) venue and year-round entertainment programme, and relax in our award-winning [boutique guesthouse](#) surrounded by [lush botanical gardens](#) and [walking trails](#).

A true African treasure, Malandela's is more than a venue, it's a holistic community of visionary organisations and talented artisans who share an ethos of sustainability that blends commercial enterprise with social development and environmental responsibility.



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# Malandela's Restaurant

Opens from 10am daily

Our Farmhouse Restaurant and Country Pub offers an authentic wholesome menu, breathtaking views, indoor and outdoor seating, fire places. A hub for locals, travellers, families and professionals. Come and experience the welcoming and inclusive environment.

- Tour Group - Set Menus on request -bus parking and toilets
- Sports Bar with DSTV
- Farm-house menu
- Local Coffee from Mabuda Farm
- Indoor and outdoor seating
- Large spirit and wine selection

Bookings are essential especially for large groups



# Malandela's Restaurant

## What's on offer

### FARMSTYLE RESTAURANT

The Restaurant is well equipped to host large groups of up to 50 seated guests and offers custom tailored menus, including cost-effective pre-set meals for tour bus groups. The Malandela's Farm supplies the restaurant with fresh seasonal vegetables and salads. Meat is locally sourced where possible, bread is homemade and the chips are hand-cut. Thursday is Mozambique Prawn Night, and Sunday Lunch Menu includes a Traditional Roast.

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### TRADITIONAL PUB

Adjacent to the restaurant is our country Pub, serving up traditional pub meals such as fish & chips, burgers, and weekly pie specials, whilst also serving as a community hub. Local brews are available alongside a wide range of drink options. Sports are shown in the bar and there is a large outside seating area set in botanical gardens looking onto sprawling lawns with incredible views. Our pub is a great place to enjoy the atmosphere of the center, relax with good company and immerse yourself in a local experience.





# Shopping

Opens from 9am daily

Malandela's has one of the best selections of local craft, design, lifestyle and gift shops in the country. The 7 boutique shops offer a wide range of shopping experiences. With a focus on positive social and environmental impact, feel good while you experience Eswatini's world renowned craft

- Commission for tour guides and drivers on request
- International shipping is offered via DHL
- Local products with international appeal
- Beautifully presented and well stocked shops
- Wide price range on offer
- The destination to shop local talent



# Local Craft Shops



## BAOBAB BATIK

High quality batik interior decor, scarves, leggings and an eclectic kids' collection.

These hand-painted batiks are made by women in Eswatini at a nearby workshop.



## GONE RURAL

Traditional weaving techniques reinterpreted into new and innovative contemporary designs.

Our women are skilled weavers and are at the heart of everything we do.



## DALA SPACES

Eswatini's first concept store offering the best of Eswatini home, fashion, accessories and lifestyle brands.

The store holds a curated selection of products from over 20 local small brands.



## KHOKHO

Leather and woven bags, combining local craft and contemporary design.

These beautiful bags and accessories are created in the studio at Mandela's.





# Food Court



## JACKALBERRY

Jackalberry Distillery is the proud manufacturer of the first small batch gin in Eswatini. Infused with the finest Swazi botanicals. Full and travel size bottles to take away.



## BLACK MAMBA

Award-winning chilli sauces from local Fair Trade brand. Chilli sauces, pestos, pickles, chutneys and jams, made with natural, fresh ingredients and no added nonsense. Beautifully packaged gifts, proudly Swati



## CORK & CO

Enjoy a wine experience that touches all the senses. From the smell and taste to the colour and vibrancy. A selection of South African Wines, whiskeys and gifts. Come for a taste and to shop.



## MALANDELI

Food Deli offering regional delicacies as well as hard to find specialty foods including gelato, cold meats, cheeses and olives. Shop here for take-away travel treats or for goodies to enjoy at home.



# Accommodation

## Malandela's Guest House

Malandela's Guest House offers 7 ensuite uniquely decorated rooms situated in magnificent indigenous gardens just a short walk from the heart of the centre. Decorated with locally, ethically made products, each room has its own theme and character.

### AVAILABLE

- Swimming Pool
- Free Wifi
- Breakfast
- Double, twin or family rooms
- DSTV

### UPON REQUEST

- Kitchenette
- Private balcony or veranda
- Room Fridge



# Guest House

## Rack Rates

	<b>1 Oct '23 30 Sep '24</b>	<b>1 Oct '24 30 Sep '25</b>
Standard Double or Twin	E1,300	E1,400
Standard Single Room	E980	E1050
Additional single bed(s)	E330	E350
Children under 2 years	FREE	FREE



# Experiences

What's there to do?

We have an array of things to do within the centre. From hand-craft tours to kids lawn games.

Malandela's is at the heart of Eswatini, just a short drive from Mlilwane game reserve and the Ezulwini valley, we are perfectly located as a base from which to explore Eswatini further.



## Take Away Theatre

House On Fire | Max 200 | 1 hour

Live theatre performance in the must visit House on Fire Amphitheatre. An epic poem taking you on a journey through Eswatini history, physical theatre and dance components.

SZL 150.00 pp

COMING  
SOON

## Make your own Gin

Jackalberry Distillery | Max 6 | 1 hour

A sit down gin distillation experience. Create your own unique blend and take a 200ml bottle home with you!

SZL 500.00 pp

BOOK

## Gin Tasting

Jackalberry Distillery | Max 10 | 30 mins

A tasting tray of 5 unique craft spirits. infused locally using the finest botanicals.

SZL 250.00 pp

BOOK

## Wine Tasting

Cork & Co. | Max 10 | 1 hour

An introduction to the best cheese and wine pairings the SA region has to offer. Carefully selected range of cheeses with wine to compliment. Shop your favorites to take home.

SZL 250.00 pp

BOOK

## How Hot is Your Hot

Black Mamba Chilli Den | Max 10 | 10 mins

Experience the flavour and the fire from Africa's tastiest chilli sauces! Enjoy the journey from mild & sweet to extra hot while you learn more about Black Mamba. Sustainability has never tasted better.

FREE

## Explore the Botanical Gardens

Malandela's Lifestyle | Max 40 | 30 mins

Enjoy a self-guided walk through Malandela's gardens. The gardens are a creative exhibition of unusual plants and birds and also a celebration of the diversity and beauty of Eswatini's natural wealth.

FREE



## Sculpture Garden

House On Fire | Max 40 | 30 mins

Explore the many art works covering the walls of the House on Fire Amphitheatre and that spill onto the Malandela's lawns. Created over the past 23 year by Jiggs Thorne and a creative team of local artists.

FREE

## Make Your Own Batik Scarf

Baobab Batik Workshop | Max 10 | 3 hours

Under the skilled tuition of the craftswomen of Baobab Batik, you will learn how to create a wax resist on fabric. Design your own pattern, and choose your own dye. The scarf can be collected in 2 days.

BOOK

SZL 500.00 pp

## Paint & Sip

Art Hut | Max 8 | 1 hour

Create your own painted canvas under the skilled supervision of local artist whilst enjoying your favorite drink and the beautiful mountain views

BOOK

From SZL 150.00 pp

## The Rural Tour

Gone Rural | Max 12 | 3 Hour

The Rural Tour takes you to one of the Gone Rural artisans' homestead, where you get a chance to meet the people making the products and to learn more about how it is made and rural life in Eswatini.

BOOK

SZL 650.00 pp

## Guided Craft Shopping

Dala Spaces | Max 10 | 30 mins

Your personal guided shopping tour through the various shops at Malandela's Lifestyle - Gone Rural, Khokho and more local craft and design brands.

BOOK

Free

## Guided Farm Walking Trail

Malandela's Lifestyle | Max 8 | 1 hour

Take a gentle walk around the Malandela's Farm. Through the Bushfire Campsite fields, a wooded area and into a vlei (wetland) which is a haven for indigenous flora and home to many birds. 4.5km.

BOOK

SZL 150.00 pp







# Events & Weddings

## Private Functions

Our varied and flexible spaces allows for large-scale performances, customized events and intimate gatherings. Malandela's Gardens are perfect for weddings, birthdays, bridal showers and other private parties. With House on Fire Amphitheatre popular for product launches, corporate functions and much more.

- Corporate Events
- Birthday Celebrations
- Weddings
- Baby Showers
- Award Ceremonies



# House on Fire

## Amphitheatre & Sculpture Garden

Lauded as one of the most eclectic entertainment venues in the world, House On Fire is a fantastical playground of imagination which captivates and inspires.

**The incredible amphitheatre and sculptural grounds are free for visitors to explore.**

Vast differences of architectural and artistic styles connect in harmony, reinforcing the underlying theme of cultural meeting points. This flexible space allows for large-scale performances, customised events and intimate gatherings..



# MTN Bushfire Festival

## Festivals & Events

Globally infused, authentically African and proudly Eswatini, MTN Bushfire is one of Africa's largest multicultural festivals, illuminating the transformational power of the arts through its call to action for positive social and environmental change, #BRINGYOURFIRE. Hailed by CNN as "One of the 7 African festivals you really have to see" by CNN and "Top African festival" by BBC.



# Luju Lifestyle Festival

## Festivals & Events

The annual Standard Bank Luju Food & Lifestyle Festival is a lavish two-day feast of music, fashion, entertainment, culinary exploits, and connoisseur-led premium wine and whiskey showcases.

With an emphasis on supporting local artisans, arts, and health, Eswatini's leading food and fashion festival celebrates the home-grown, the wholesome, the creative, and the delicious. The umbrella theme, "A Return to the African Future", challenges us to reimagine our future based on the cultural heritage and traditions of the past. It's time to Eat. Sway. Love. again!



# Malandela's Indigenous Nursery

## Retail & Landscaping

The nursery was established in 2017 and has a wide range of indigenous trees, shrubs and succulents available to visitors

A conservation project at its core, the nursery aims to counteract the destruction of Eswatini's natural forests by making indigenous plants available to residential and commercial projects across the country. All the plants in the nursery are propagated on Malandela's Farm, from seed collected in the wild.

The retail space is open daily to visitors.

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# All Out Africa

## Onsite Tour Operator

All Out Africa is a locally owned, leading Destination Management Company (DMC) in Southern Africa with 18 years-experience providing professional DMC services to national and international clients, developing customized and scheduled itineraries for small groups, FITs, schools expeditions, study abroad groups and events.

Focusing on the fascinating destinations of Eswatini (formerly Swaziland), Mozambique, South Africa, Botswana, and Zimbabwe, All Out Africa is deeply rooted in African soil and offers truly authentic and unique travel experiences.

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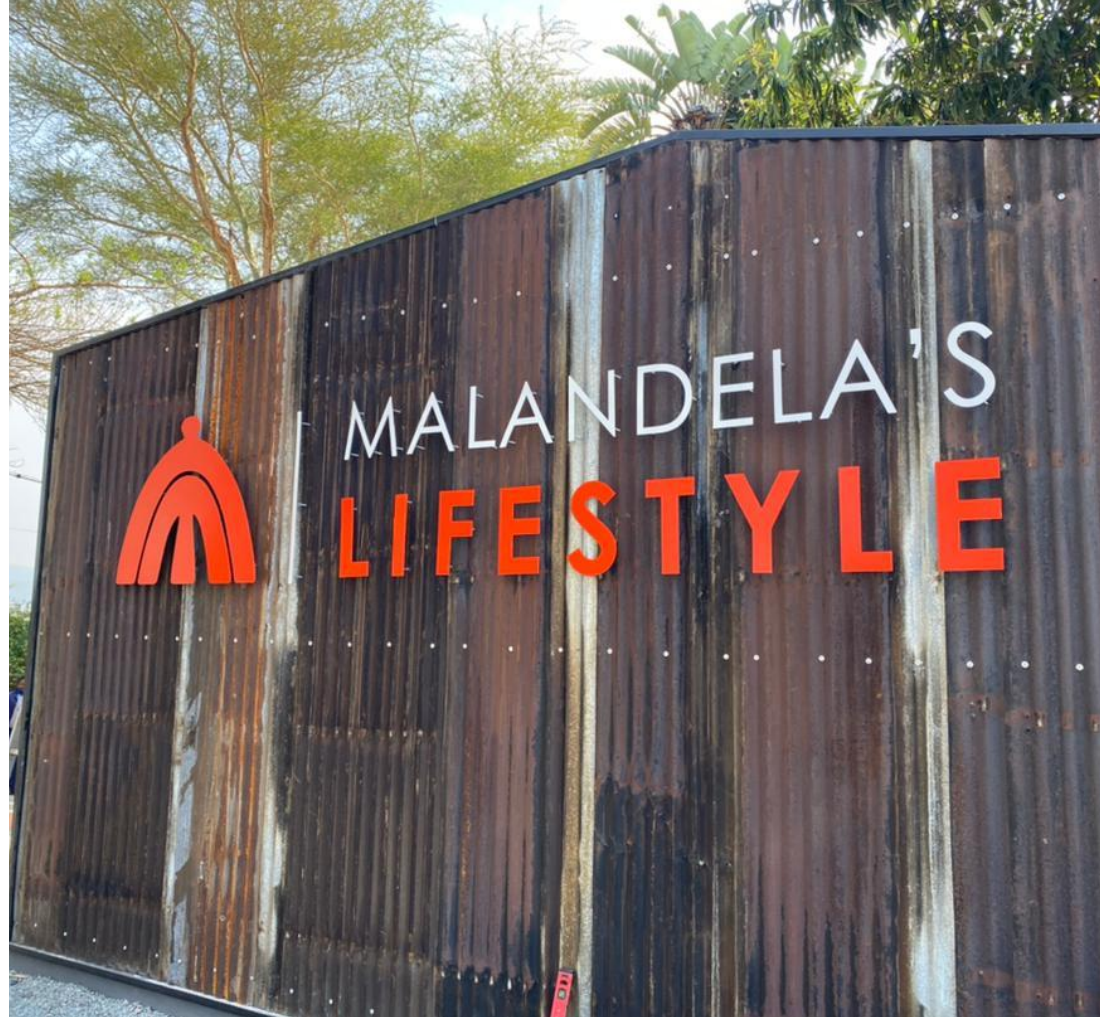


# Facilities

## Parking, Security & Restroom

With a newly-built entrance and restroom facilities, Mandela's is an ideal stop-off for refreshing before an onward trip.

- Large toilet block, clean & spacious
- Wheelchair friendly ablution
- Baby Changing Station
- Bus parking directly off the main road
- Self-drive parking outside the main entrance
- Overflow parking available throughout the year
- 24 hour security
- Controlled entrance point





# Community

## Our Contributions

Malandela's centre has always been driven by the family's humanitarian spirit, and as such all businesses at the Centre incorporate social or environmental missions at the heart of their operations.

In addition to business contributions, the centre is also home to NGO's boMake Rural Projects and Moya Centre. Young Heroes is a Swati NGO and has benefited from our annual MTN Bushfire Festival's proceeds for the past 15 years.

### **MTN Bushfire Beneficiaries**

MTN Bushfire supports two beneficiary organisations that stand right at the heart of the festival's social mandate. Young Heroes, assist children and youth orphaned by HIV/Aids, and boMake Rural Projects, who empower women artisans and their communities in rural Eswatini.

### **Indigenous Tree Nursery**

Based on the Malandela's farm, the nursery propagates and sells indigenous trees and shrubs. They have re-populated the farm itself with over 1000 indigenous trees and supplied trees extensively across Eswatini.

### **boMake Rural Projects - Women's empowerment NGO**

boMake Rural Projects is a community-led non-profit organization working with (Gone Rural) women artisans. To date, we have impacted the lives of more than 20,000 community members through our programs focused on education, health and sustainable livelihoods.

### **Moya Center - Nurturing vulnerable children**

Moya Centre aims to strengthen the future of Eswatini through the nurture of children by assisting with educational and psychosocial support programs for orphaned and vulnerable children in the Malkerns community.





# Testimonials

## Supportive commentary

### SHOPPING REVIEW

Best shopping in the area. Unique one of a kind gifts, I always stock up before a trip abroad and I don't go anywhere without my Khokho handbag. Check out the fashion and homeware at Dala Spaces - amazing!

### RESTAURANT REVIEW

Great food. Lunch there was a pleasant outdoor experience. We had the barbequed spare ribs. Better than any Spurs ribs (and I've been to a lot). I was very impressed with the two waitresses who worked hard serving every table that afternoon. The toilets were spotless. Bravo!

### GUEST HOUSE REVIEW

After checking in late in the afternoon made a walk around the garden surrounding the Mandela's Guest House. Very tranquil and beautiful environment. Seeing sundown over the meadows and mountains in front of the restaurant is just great. Rooms are nice and clean, beds sleep well.



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# Guest House

## Terms & Conditions

1. Rates are quoted in South African Rand (ZAR) and are inclusive of 15% VAT.
2. All rates inclusive of breakfast
3. These rates are commissionable to contracted tour operators and agents only.
4. Malandela's Guest House reserves the right to amend the quoted tariffs should there be any change in the percentage rate of VAT or any other levy, tax becoming payable by Malandela's Guest House after the date of printing of this contract or in the event of the devaluation of the South African Rand.
5. The tariffs are quoted in South African Rand (ZAR) on a per room per night basis.
6. Rack Rates provided are a guideline and are not the contracted rates. These are purely for the purpose of comparison and are subject to change.
7. The STO Rates are the contracted rates.
8. Check-in time is from 14h00 and check-out time before 11h00.
9. Children 2 years and under are free of charge. Baby cot available for infants upon request.
10. Malandela's Guest House will endeavour to accommodate groups for an earlier check-in, if required, but this is dependent on availability of rooms.

