

LIMPOPO PROVINCE



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Known as the “Great North”, Limpopo province speaks of ancient lands and prehistoric treasures. This is the home of Modjadji, the fabled Rain Queen, the fascinating relics of Makapansgat Valley and the treasures of Mapungubwe. Limpopo is also home to a wide variety of game reserves, including the Kruger National Park, and its combination of culture and biodiversity is a formidable one. The city of Polokwane is the urban centre and meeting hub of this fascinating province, which shares its borders with Zimbabwe, Mozambique and Botswana.

KEY INDUSTRIES

- Mining
- Agriculture
- Manufacturing
- Sisal Industry
- Engineering
- Tourism
- Hunting and Game Farms

KEY ATTRACTIONS

- **Mapungubwe UNESCO World Heritage Site** – renowned the world over for its archaeological treasures that relate back to an ancient African Kingdom
- A choice **eco-tourism destination** – home to the Kruger National Park and 2 transfrontier parks, as well as numerous Big 5 game reserves
- The **Waterberg Biosphere** – a UNESCO-designated biosphere reserve rich in flora and fauna
- Top golf courses, including the **extreme 19th hole** at the Legend Golf and Safari Resort
- **Modjadji Cycad Reserve** and the land of Modjadji, the Rain Queen
- **Bela Bela** – hot springs and spas are a big drawcard in this fun resort town

- **Makapan’s Caves** – renowned for their historical significance
- The **Venda artists** are known the world over for their incredible wooden sculptures and artworks
- **Nylsvley Nature Reserve** – a RAMSAR wetland renowned for an incredible array of birdlife
- **Haenertsburg** and **Magoebaskloof** are scenic towns that are great for fun weekend getaways and pre and post tours
- Quad biking, hiking, paragliding, kloofing – **adventure tourism** is a major attraction in the province
- **Lake Fundudzi** and the sacred **Thathe Vondo Forest** - places of myth and legend
- **Pafuris’** excellent walking trails and team building opportunities in the Makuleke Concession of the Kruger National Park
- A host of **private game reserves** and exclusive luxury lodges



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LIMPOPO: POLOKWANE



RISE WITH THE GREAT NORTH

Limpopo's fast-growing capital, Polokwane, is a vibrant mix of people, places and cultures. The business centre of the province, the city proposes a variety of meeting venues and hotels. There are great restaurants, nightclubs, casinos and places to shop as well as museums and galleries. Wildlife and nature attractions (including Big 5 reserves) are within easy reach, and Limpopo is also known for a number of excellent golf courses, many of which are accessible from Polokwane.

ACCESSIBILITY

Polokwane is easily accessible from major centres:

- There are 4 direct daily flights from Johannesburg
- The city is also within a 4-hour drive from Johannesburg
- Polokwane is easily accessible from Maputo

Johannesburg is the gateway to South Africa via OR Tambo International Airport – the largest airport in Africa. Connecting flights via Johannesburg include:

- **Europe:** Amsterdam, Frankfurt, Istanbul, London, Luxembourg, Madrid, Munich, Paris, Zurich
- **Middle East:** Abu Dhabi, Cairo, Dubai, Jeddah
- **North America:** Atlanta, New York
- **South America:** Buenos Aires, Sao Paulo
- **Asia:** Bangkok, Beijing, Hong Kong, Mumbai, Singapore
- **Australia:** Perth, Sydney
- **Africa:** all major cities

ACCOMMODATION

The list of 1 510 hotel rooms below includes Graded Establishments only:

- 33 five-star rooms
- 461 four-star rooms
- 902 three-star rooms

The majority of accommodation available in Polokwane is in small game lodges surrounding the city, and further afield.

VENUE CAPACITY

There are meeting venues of various sizes accommodating up to 1 000 people. In Polokwane, there are a few notable venues to choose from:

- The Meropa Casino offers a state-of-the-art flat, modular space for up to 600 delegates
- Bolivia Lodge, a bush lodge close to Polokwane, proposes venues for up to 1 000 delegates in an African-style setting
- The University of Limpopo offers 3 meeting venues with a capacity of 5 000, 1 200 and 250 respectively

Alternative venues include the Irish House (Museum of the History of Polokwane), Jack Botes Hall and Polokwane Game Reserve, located within the city limits.

Polokwane is able to offer accommodation and meeting facilities in smaller lodges and guest houses.



Polokwane

Easy access from
Johannesburg and Maputo



Key attractions:
Kruger National Park, Mapungubwe, the Waterberg, eco-tourism opportunities

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ORGANISING AND HOSTING EXPERIENCE

- Polokwane Show and Music Festival
- Ellisras Bushveld Festival
- Limpopo Marula Festival
- Haenertsburg Spring Festival
- Tour de Tuli
- Thabazimbi Game and Tourism Expo
- Polokwane was a Host City during the 2010 FIFA World Cup

LIMPOPO TOURISM AGENCY'S BUSINESS EVENTS UNIT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE SOUTH AFRICA NATIONAL CONVENTION BUREAU (SANCB) OFFERS THE FOLLOWING SERVICES:

- Pre and post bid support, bid promotion and handling of request for proposals
- Expertise on local products and services; access to local industry and government contacts
- Building attendance and event marketing activities
- Convention planning support
- Site inspections (bid and convention planning)
- On-site event services

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Why choose POLOKWANE

1. Authentic African experience
2. Fantastic eco-tourism opportunities
3. Excellent facilities
4. Top golf courses
5. Adventure tourism
6. Sophisticated urban vibe
7. Big 5 country
8. Pre and post tours
9. History and legend