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TRAVEL ADVICE FOR INTERNATIONAL GUESTS

TOLL FEES: Please exchange money before your journey to Mpumalanga. The Toll gates do not accept foreign credit and debit cards and it becomes a huge detour and delay if you need to turn around to find a place to exchange money. Toll fees payable in cash amount to R166 to R222 on the trip from the airport to Old Joe's Kaia, depending on which route is taken, the more expensive one being the route via Pretoria.

NAVIGATION: Although it is very easy to find us, please use our attached map and the directions printed on it. You need to be aware of the following when navigating to Old Joe's Kaia:

Google, many printed maps and some GPS systems **INCORRECTLY** indicate the road passing us as the R539 or R36! It is the **N4 Schoemanskloof** highway.

If you are using a Navigation device we recommend that you enter our **GPS co-ordinates printed on our map**. Searching for Schoemanskloof will yield nothing as Schoemanskloof is a mountain pass and not a registered town and therefore is not available on GPS systems.

Alternatively, on many navigation systems, Old Joe's Kaia can be found under the Menu item **Points of interest near City (Nelspruit)**, and then under submenu **Hotels, Guest House and Bed and Breakfasts**.

COMMUNICATION: We highly recommend that you travel with a **cell phone** that is **loaded with airtime AND data** and that works in South Africa! We have seen it too often; the inconvenience, difficulty and stress foreigners face if they are unable to communicate or simply orientate themselves by browsing a map on their device.

If you have a Bed and Breakfast booking at Old Joe's Kaia, **please notify us by 15:00 if you require dinner**. Dinner is served until 20:30 latest.

Our gate closes automatically in the evening. Should you arrive at the closed gate, please phone us so that we can open it for you. The telephone number is printed on the map and also on the sign boards at our gate. Hooting does not help as we do not hear it in the main building.

TRAFFIC POLICE: Please be aware that some (not all) traffic officers are opportunists and will attempt to take cash off you. It is **ILLEGAL** for ANY Police or Traffic officer to take money from anyone. Traffic fines can only be paid at a police station, the local municipality or at certain supermarkets.

A very popular spot where the traffic police try their luck to trap you is as you leave the OR Tambo airport. **Make sure that you stop at the pedestrian crossings and the stop streets**. Should the officer stop you, and order you to pay a fine, our recommendation is that you stand your ground. Tell the officer that you have not yet exchanged money and that you can only pay by card. (They will not have a card machine available). Make him/her aware that you know the law regarding collection of money and offer to pay at a police station on condition that he/she escort you to the station as you do not know the area. It is unlikely that they will leave their post.