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BILL HARROP'S "ORIGINAL" BALLOON SAFARIS AGENT RATES

Excludes Transfers to and from the launch site
Validity: **1 November 2025 to 31 October 2026**

Magalies River Valley – *Sharing*

MAGALIES RIVER VALLEY	Period: 1 November 2025 - 31 October 2026 *Prices are subject to change.* ***Sharing*** *with other passengers* ***Rates quoted per person.***	
	Public Rate *(The published rate at the time)*	**Tour Operator Rate** *per person*
Regular rate	R3,895	**R3,505.50**
Group of 6 +	R3,745	**R3,370.50**
Group of 12 +	R3,645	**R3,280.50**
Group of 24 +	*Available On Request*	
Children (7 – 12 years)	*- 50% of the regular rate.*	

All the above rates are quoted in SA Rands and are net rates and are per person.
The above rates INCLUDE VAT at the current rate of 15%.
Minimum number required: 4 guests, which can be from 2 or more individual sources.

Magalies River Valley – *Exclusive Balloon*

MAGALIES RIVER VALLEY	Period: 1 November 2024 - 31 October 2025 *Prices are subject to change.*	
	Exclusive balloon for 2 passengers only. ***The final quotation is subject to the number of passengers and the combined weights of the passengers.***	
	Public Rate *(The published rate at the time)*	**Tour Operator Rate**
2 Passengers and a Pilot *(weight/capacity limit)*	R13,400.00 p/couple	**R12,060.00 p/couple**
3 or more passengers and a Pilot	*Available On Request*	

All the above rates are quoted in SA Rands and are nett rates and are per person.

The above rates INCLUDE VAT at the current rate of 15%
Minimum number required: 2 guests for a private balloon flight.

The above rates include the following:

FRESHLY BREWED COFFEE/TEA SERVED before sunrise, whilst the crew prepare the balloons for flight
FLIGHT DURATION: Approximately one hour (dependent on conditions)
SPARKLING WINE: Served on landing, then Mini-Bus Transfer from the landing site to our Clubhouse Pavilion (base)
DELICIOUS BUFFET BREAKFAST, overlooking the Magalies Mountains and presentation of **"CITATIONS FOR BRAVERY"** at our Launch Site Base

- CANCELLATION POLICY: If the tour is cancelled by the passenger or agent, the deposit is forfeited. If the flight is cancelled because of inclement (unsafe flying) weather, the flight is refundable as per our terms and conditions. Amendments to a reservation must be done in writing, at least 5 business days before the date of departure.
- We do make provisions for disabled passengers (*special terms and conditions apply*).
- Please note our Full Terms and Conditions as published on our website www.balloon.co.za or which can be emailed on request.

DAILY SCHEDULE: (Meeting Times at SKEERPOORT Balloon Field)

Magalies River Valley near Hartebeespoort Dam, 70 Km northwest of Johannesburg.

Month		Time
January	November & December	04h45
February	October (16th - 31st)	05h00
March (1st – 15th)	October (1st - 15th)	05h15
March (16th – 31st)	September (16th - 30th)	05h30
April	September (1st - 15th)	05h45
May	August	06h00
June	July	06h15

The above meeting times are approximate and will be confirmed once you have made a reservation.

TOUR DURATION: The flight will last approximately an hour. We recommend setting aside 3 to 4 hours (which includes the check-in, celebratory sparkling wine and Clubhouse buffet breakfast).

CAPACITY:

MINIMUM: 4 passengers (can be different individual bookings) sharing / 2 passengers in a private balloon / MAXIMUM: 112 passengers (6 to 18 passengers per balloon).

CHILDREN PASSENGERS:

Passenger safety is our main priority, and therefore, the following regulations about children are in place:

- Children must be older than 7 years old to participate in a hot air balloon flight **&** children must be taller than 1.3 meters.
- Children must be accompanied by a parent/guardian for the duration of the activity.
- Please advise on booking, the number of children in the reservation, as well as their ages, heights and weights.
- The pilot reserves the right to refuse to load children who are too small on the hot air balloon, for safety reasons.
- *Children Passengers will be measured on the morning of the flight*, at check-in, to ensure they comply with the minimum height requirement. Should the child not be deemed tall enough to safely participate in the hot air balloon activity, the *flight ticket will be forfeited* (non-refundable nor re-bookable).

On the morning of the flight…

Wear: Clothing that is warm but peelable - i.e., jackets, etc. that you can take off as the day progresses. The sun, excitement (and probably the sparkling wine!) will be bound to warm you up! A hat is also a good idea to keep the heat off your head!

Shoes: That is suitable for the country - no high heels!

Bring: Cameras, Video Cameras. Make sure your batteries are fully charged/Ballooning offers some of the most spectacular photo opportunities!

Please be prompt: Please arrive at the designated check-in time to ensure you do not miss your flight.

We only WhatsApp/SMS/phone in the event of bad weather - so if you do not hear from us everything is ON! Please make sure your cell phone is ON and fully charged the night before your flight. Ensure we have the correct contact number, including the dialling code, for you. The onus is on the passenger/client to ensure we can reach you the day before the flight as well as on the morning of the flight.

Carry-on: Handbags, backpacks, and camera bags must be locked away before boarding; safety rules do not allow loose bags in the basket.

PHYSICAL FITNESS:
Participants should be nimble enough to climb in and out of the basket,
Be able to stand for the duration of the flight and
Be able to jump unassisted from a height of 60cm.
Ballooning is suitable for adventurers from 7 – 98 years of age (subject to health and fitness levels)

When making a reservation…

WE NEED TO KNOW:

- The **preferred flight date**.
- **Each passenger's first name, surname and approximate weight in kgs**.
- Contact **cell phone number** for the morning of the flight.
- If this is **a special occasion or secret** for anyone in your party.
- Will there be **children** in the party? What are the **age/s, weight/s and height/s**?
- **Invoice details** (for the company).
- If it is a **GROUP BOOKING**: the **GROUP LEADER'S NAME, CONTACT NUMBERS**.
- If there are any **DIETARY REQUIREMENTS** (i.e. vegetarian, non-alcohol etc)

For availability, reservations and more information…

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