



Greetings from the Tuli Block Botswana and Limpopo Valley Horse Safaris!

Our 2007 season kicked off with a great couple of weeks in the Two Mashatus camp, and in response to our guests reactions, we have decided to use it as our base camp. This will mean that both our Tuli and our Big 5 rides start from the Two Mashatus camp rather than from our old camp at Fort Jameson's. This will be effective from 6th May 2007. This means guest also enjoy a short game drive on their first afternoon and morning to the horses which will still be based at Fort Jameson's in order to select the perfect horse for each guest. We will continue to ride from Fort Jameson's the first afternoon and morning. Thereafter safaris proceed as normal.

We are also offering "Two Mashatus" rides in February 2008, as well as November and March. The rates will not differ for this ride compared to our other rides as it is still wilderness based. It is a lovely shady spot and we hope to have a bush pool to relax in by 2008!



Lucy Higginson, editor of Horse and Hound, and her husband Tex joined us for our first Tuli ride of the season. Some unexpected and heavy rain fall, though much needed by the reserve, curtailed the safari somewhat. I think the most memorable moment for all was in the river bed of the Motlouse when Cor-oblivious to the wide - eyed stares of his guests- was explaining all about the "Lala Palm" amidst furious winds and increasingly closer lightning and thunder... Good elephant sightings with West the following day were had and excellent cheetah and lion from the game drive.



The result of all this unexpected rain is happy game and a carpet of yellow "devils weed" which is like cantering over butter. Our horses are all well and quite frisky after their holiday in Vrede South Africa. The young shire crosses have all done a couple of nights each on safari this week, and had no trouble keeping up. They are well matched to the muddy conditions of the moment and don't miss a step.



Louise will be attending Rolex Kentucky Three Day Event as well as Badminton Horse Trials this year and would love to see you there. So come and join us and let's hope the rest of the season goes as well as this excellent start...

Cor and Louise

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