



## **“Wish Upon The Stars” FUNdraiser Gala, April 6, 2019**

### **Information about the South Africa Photo Safari auction item**

We are very excited to have secured a **South Africa Photo Safari for Two People** as an item in our upcoming auction, donated by Trevor Shaw at Zulu Nyala Group. For an item as valuable as this, which could be a once-in-a-lifetime experience for the winning bidder, we want to provide as much information as possible ahead of the event so that you can do your own research and planning, and then come prepared to bid!

This document is in three parts: (1) What the Auction package offers, (2) Where to get more information about the donor organization, and (3) Testimonials from organizations and people who have experienced this auction package.

### **AUCTION ITEM DESCRIPTION**

South Africa Photo Safari for Two People, donated by Trevor Shaw, Owner Zulu Nyala  
Value \$5,950

- Six days and six nights accommodation for two people in a standard room at Zulu Nyala Heritage Safari Lodge/Tented Camp. Situated in the heart of Zululand and St Lucia/Sodwana Bay Marine reserve/Lubombo corridor – one of the richest wildlife conservation regions in Africa.
- Three meals per day, prepared by ethnic chefs – with an African flavor of course.
- Two game viewing activities per day, guided by your own professional game rangers in open game viewing vehicles, in the private Zulu Nyala Game Reserve (where the movie “I Dreamed of Africa” was filmed). Experience elephant, rhino, leopard, giraffe, hippo, zebra, nyala, cape buffalo, kudu and other plains game, together with over 400 species of birds.
- Does not include air fare or transfers. However, South African Airways does offer special fares for customers of the Zulu Nyala Group.
- Does not include personal beverages, side trips, phone calls, or gratuities.
- Must be used within two years of purchase date (i.e., by April 6, 2020). It is advisable to book as soon as possible after purchasing the safari package, or at least to reserve your booking date one year in advance to get the best options. Peak season is between August and November.
- We have several more pages of instructions and recommendations to be passed on to the winning bidder regarding how the reservation process works and what to expect/pack/etc.

### **MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ZULU NYALA GROUP**

- Web site: <http://www.zulunyalagroup.com/>
- Zulu Nyala video of facilities: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CYPDo4fVd5g>  
Jack Hanna (American zookeeper) visit: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AM3noTJ4yIY>  
There are several other Zulu Nyala videos on YouTube as well.
- Trip Advisor comments: [http://www.tripadvisor.com/Hotel\\_Review-g312597-d589492-Reviews-Zulu\\_Nyala\\_Heritage\\_Safari\\_Lodge-Hluhluwe\\_Zululand\\_KwaZulu\\_Natal.html](http://www.tripadvisor.com/Hotel_Review-g312597-d589492-Reviews-Zulu_Nyala_Heritage_Safari_Lodge-Hluhluwe_Zululand_KwaZulu_Natal.html)
- Facebook group where visitors share their photos and experiences: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ZuluNyala/>

## TESTIMONIALS

Here are some comments from winners of the Zulu Nyala item at past Houston Show Choir galas.

BS, winner 2014: The trip is spectacular. The safari is well planned and the food is top notch. And you will see all the animals up close and personal. Accommodations are very good including AC and a walk in shower. I highly recommend the elephant interaction excursion and the boat trip to see the hippos. There is a pool and it is wonderful to lounge around the pool at sunset to see what animals come out to graze. We also got a driver through the travel agency and we went to Cape Town and all the way to the tip of Africa. The country side is spectacular from beautiful coast line to mountains and vineyards. And if you have the time and money go to Victoria Falls in neighboring country Zambia. It's awe-inspiring. When you arrive in Johannesburg stay two nights in Zulu Nyala accommodations and see the sights including the Apartheid Museum. You will have a great time in this part of the world. Everyone was friendly and hospitable. Go for it.

SB, winner 2017: The safari at Zulu Nyala went beyond my expectations! We flew into Johannesburg and spent two nights at the beautiful Country Manor. The room was five-star as was the food and service. We took a side trip to the Lion Park which was recommended as lions are not on the Zulu Nyala reserve. This was more than I ever dreamed as we paid minimal amount to pet lion cubs at the end of the tour! The lodging at Zulu Nyala reserve was again five-star. The employees at the lodge were very friendly and accommodating. Our safari guide was very knowledgeable and relayed information about all of the animals as well as found the perfect spots for pictures. There are many side trips to go on to experience different animals and areas. I have so many wonderful memories of this experiences and beautiful pictures as a reminder of this awesome trip!

NM, winner 2017: Our trip to Zulu Nyala & surrounding areas was extraordinary. The best combination of spectacular scenery, wildlife education and meeting new people you could imagine. We left Zulu Nyala thinking that we would definitely return to South Africa.

## COME TO THE EVENT AND BID!

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This guy is waiting to meet the winning bidder.

