Directions from Amsterdam – Nerston/Sandlane Border to Mkhaya Game Reserve

Distance + 150km – about 2 hours

- The border post is +17km from Amsterdam – a warning though, the road inside Swaziland from there is sub-standard - big holes in the road and utmost caution must be used (the road is also used by timber logging trucks)
- From Nerston Border post to Bhunya (wood pulp mill) is +35km.
- Turn RIGHT towards Manzini. +10km from Bhunya there is a traffic circle
- Take the second exit and take the road towards Malkerns/Manzini (MR18)
- Continue past Swazi Candles (16km from circle) until you get to a T –junction.
- Turn RIGHT onto the old Manzini / Mbabane road.
- After about 7km you will come to the Matsapha traffic circle under the Mbabane/Manzini highway
- Take the 3rd exit left and onto the highway towards Manzini (± 4km)

There are 2 options around or through Manzini:

Option 1
- At the 2nd set of traffic lights, after coming from the highway and before you get to Manzini, turn LEFT onto By-pass Road, sign posted “Mavuso Trade Centre”. Beware the road is off-camber – please negotiate corners carefully.
- Cross STRAIGHT over traffic lights.
- Turn LEFT at T-junction.

Option 2
- Drive STRAIGHT through Manzini – the one-way road is very busy, be careful of the mini buses. Try to keep to the right hand lane as most of the taxi’s and buses use the left hand lane. This road will take you straight out of Manzini.
- Travel ± 8km from Manzini.
- Turn RIGHT towards Big Bend, just after Kai Kai Resort at the Hhelehhele junction. There is a filling station on your right.
- After ±40km you will reach Siphofaneni. Travel a further 6km.
- Cross over a small bridge over the railway, which runs UNDER the road.
- Immediately (10m) after the bridge, turn LEFT at the Mkhaya Game Reserve sign and park your vehicle behind the small shop.
- Please do not drive further without a guide as the gates are kept locked.
- Meeting Times are strictly 10:00 or 16:00 – please refer to your reservation for your correct pick up time.

SUMMARY OF DIRECTIONS (OPTION 2)

1. Head north east on R65
2. Turn right onto R65 15.0 km
3. Turn right to stay on R65 (Entering Swaziland) 2.4 km
4. Continue straight onto MR19 32.6 km
5. Turn right onto MR18 33 km
6. Turn right onto MR103 at T-junction 7 km
7. At the roundabout, take the 2nd exit onto the MR3 ramp 500 m
8. Merge onto MR3 7.5 km
9. Continue onto Ngwane St 1.1 km
10. Continue onto MR3 7.0 km
11. Turn right onto MR8 43.1 km

Destination will be on the left

MR8, Swaziland – MKHAYA GAME RESERVE (S26° 41' 2.49" E31° 44' 47.73")

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