Directions from Piet Retief - Emahlatini/Sicunusa Border
to Sondzela Backpackers within Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary

Distance ± 90 km - about 1 hour 30 min

From Piet Retief

- As you approach Piet Retief from Ermelo / Amsterdam, Turn LEFT into Theo Mocke Street at the new Spur / garage complex.
- Travel ± 500m.
- Turn RIGHT (signboard reads “Emahlatini via Klein Vrystaat”) and continue STRAIGHT on to the border post - ± 20km.

From Sicunusa Border

- Drive STRAIGHT, past Mankayane for ± 45km to join the Bhunya / Malkerns road at a traffic circle.
- Take the second exit and take the road towards Malkerns/Manzini (MR18)
- Travel ± 13km.
- Turn LEFT to Malkerns (M27) (if you pass Swazi Candles you’ve gone too far)
- Continue STRAIGHT for 6.1km to a "T" junction (along this road you will pass first a shopping area & Caltex garage on your left, the Malkerns police station, a number of botanical nursery’s and a restaurant and craft area called Malandela’s / Gone Rural).
- Turn LEFT at the T junction and drive for ± 4km until you see a Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary sign. Turn LEFT onto a dirt road and drive for ± 3km - this will bring you to the Main Gate of Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary.
- Reception at the gate is open from 06h00 – 17h00. After 17h00 the night guard will allow you to enter and direct you to Sondzela Backpackers, where gate entry is paid.

SUMMARY OF DIRECTIONS

A
R33, South Africa – PIET RETIEF, EMALHATINI BORDER POST (08h00 – 18h00)

1. Head east (Entering Swaziland) 21.0 km
2. Continue straight onto MR4 46.1 km
3. Turn right onto MR18 11.9 km
4. Turn left onto MR27 6.1 km
5. Turn left onto MR103 3.7 km
6. Turn left onto D55 3.3 km
7. Continue straight
   Destination will be on the left 22 m

B
D55, Swaziland – MLILWANE WILDLIFE SANCTUARY (S26° 28’ 47.4” E31° 11’ 46.6”)

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