

ANGEL'S WING HIKING TRAIL

Deep in the mountains surrounding the quaint village of Clarens in the Eastern Free State lays a secret which were, until now, only known to the locals.

The Mountains surrounding Clarens are not usually accessible to the public because it is privately owned, but now thanks to Summit Hiking, hikers has the opportunity to go where no-one has gone before.

The first of four new trails in the Clarens area, **Angel's Wing Hiking Trail**, opened October 2010 and the trail already proofs to be very popular.

Angel's Wing Hiking Trail

This trail is a 2 day base camp trail with a total hiking distance of 19.5km. A Sandstone, but base camp called Ouma's Kraal is used as overnight accommodation for both nights of your hike. The hut is nestled between the most amazing mountains and is only reachable by 4x4. Hikers meet at Sunnyside Guest Farm, where their vehicles are safely parked for the weekend. A bakkie takes you to the hut at a scheduled time, but should you have your own 4x4 or a bakkie with a difflock you are welcome to drive to the hut. This mountain overnight hut offers you the true chance to escape from the city and all its noise.

Ouma's Kraal can sleep 16 hikers but has ample space for tents should your group been bigger. We also offer bedding on request.

Flush toilets and hot shower (donkie-system) remind you of home comforts, although there is no electricity. Our recently added 'outhouse' with 2 additional flush toilets a bucket shower and bath under the stars will bring you closer to nature. Oil lamps and candles provide a cosy atmosphere and on cold winter nights a fireplace inside the hut provides excellent additional comfort.

The kitchen is fitted with a gas stove top, a pot, kettle and basic cooking/braai utensils. There is also a lapa braai area.



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The trail takes you through the most amazing sandstone areas with small waterfalls, one of which is more than 10m high. The trail zigzag across mountain streams which provides crystal clear pools to swim in. 360 degrees view of the mountains makes this truly an amazing experience. Follow trails which previously were only used by Eland herds through the most enjoyable tall'ou hout'tree forests.

Day one is a distance of 11.5km rising about 300m, after which you can cool off in a big 'kloof'pool near Ouma's Kraal, the second day hike is a bit shorter with 8km back to Sunnyside. Here hikers can join Sunnyside's guests for their 30 year old famous Sunday piekniek braai at the river, before leaving for home, with lots of new memories.

Rates:

R200pp (2 day) without bedding)

R300pp (2 day(with bedding)

Meals: optional

Dinner (Braai/Potjie) R75pp

Sunnyside Piekniek braai R70pp (served at 13h00 on Sundays only, bring own drinks)

Picnic basket after the hike R70pp (available on arrival after the hike, drinks included, any day of the week)

For Reservations please contact

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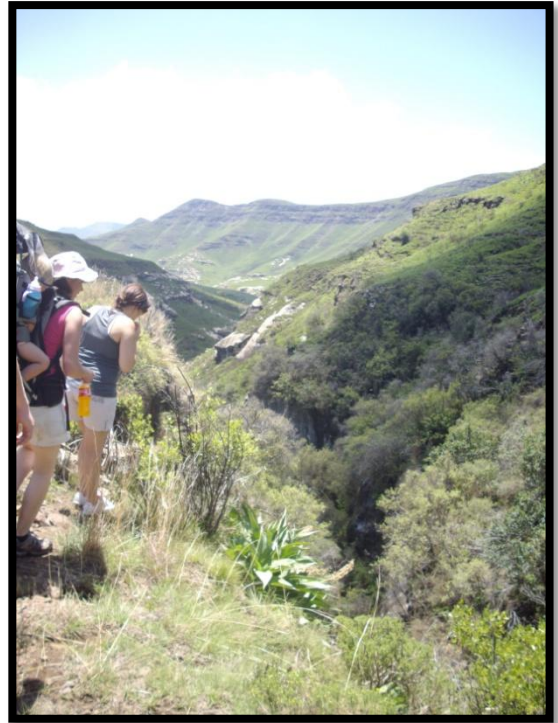


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