

RULES AND REGULATIONS

The rules of the Molemame Eye Nature Reserve are there for the protection of its visitors as well as the animals and the environment.

1. **Visitors must keep to designated areas.**
2. **Remember that this is a protected area and no littering or contamination is allowed.**
3. **Stick to the speed limit!** All general rules of the road apply within the Molemame Eye Nature Reserve. The speed limit is 40 km/h.
4. **Look at the gate times on your entry permit.** You must be out of the gate before these times. No travelling before or after these times is allowed. Gate times must be strictly adhered to and late comers may be subject to a fine.
5. **You are not allowed to drive "off-road" or on roads with a "no entry" sign.**
6. **The feeding or disturbing of animals is a serious offence.** Remember, animals see litter as food!
7. **Overnight visitors** must report to reception before occupying accommodation or camping.
8. **Rules and regulations are enforced under the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act, 2003 (Act no. 57 of 2003) and transgression can result in a fine.**
9. **To report any violations** please call: +27 (0)18 643 9904



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Conferences

There is a central conference and entertainment area overlooking the dam and offering some catering facilities.

Tented Camp

Accommodation is in en-suite safari tents along the lake edge. Linen, cutlery and crockery is excluded.

Caravan/Camp Site

The caravan and camp sites are located along the river and have good ablution facilities and electricity points.

AT A GLANCE

CLIMATE

Generally mild to hot but can be cold in winter especially at night.

FACTS ABOUT THE GAME RESERVE

- 🦏 Reserve Area: 5 000ha
- 🦏 Currency: South African Rand
- 🦏 Kalahari grassland and acacia thorn scrub - a typical African landscape of sour mixed bushveld - through which the Molopo River winds.
- 🦏 Nearby airports: Mafikeng International Airport
- 🦏 Nearest cities: Mafikeng

The Molemame Eye is a small nature reserve in the North West province, 11 kilometres from Ottoshoop on the Lichtenburg-Zeerust Road. Its accessibility and proximity to Gauteng makes it an attractive weekend destination for nature-lovers who want a rustic, off-the-beaten-track experience.

Water from the eye has never dried up and feeds dams on the reserve. Visitors can camp in shaded and campsites with newly built ablution block or in one of the 12 tented camps overlooking a lake.

Fishing is permitted on the reserve and angling for bass on a strictly catch-and-release basis is popular. No live bait may be used and only artificial lures with barbless hooks are permitted.



A BIT OF HISTORY

Elizabeth Duncan Rose (née Gubbins) bequeathed her farm, Malmani Oog, to the North West Parks and Tourism Board in 1992 on the condition that it be made into a nature reserve and never sold. Elizabeth inherited the farm from her father, the distinguished collector of Africana, Dr John Gubbins, who made his money mining fluorspar. Elizabeth's dream was for her farm to become a nature reserve that would bring pleasure to others, especially those who lived in towns and cities. Her farm was her main interest in life and she farmed it actively until a few years before her death.

Elizabeth was, by all accounts an eccentric woman. She travelled extensively before the 2nd World war and she had a great love of motorcars. She drove her Land Rover daily and was often seen in her Bentley at car rallies.

The area has a rich cultural history, with many old mining sites that document a chapter in the area's history, but the heart of the reserve is the natural well after which it is named. Half of its crystal clear water drives a water wheel, which in turn drives an old mill. The mill is a national monument and is still in working order.

GATE TIMES

Summer: 07.30-19h00

Winter: 07.30-18h00

ANIMAL LIST:

Burchell's Zebra
Common Reedbuck
Springbok
Black Wildebeest
Kudu
White Rhino
Gemsbok
Black-backed Jackal
Red Hartebeest
Eland
Impala
Ostrich
Common Duiker
Blesbok
Buffalo
Waterbuck
Giraffe
Warthog
Mountain Reedbuck
Brown Hyena

BIRD LIST:

Ostrich
Great Crested Grebe
Dabchick
Whitebreasted Cormorant
Reed Cormorant
Darter
Grey Heron
Blackheaded Heron
Goliath Heron
Purple Heron
Great White Egret
Little Egret
Yellowbilled Egret
Black Egret
Cattle Egret
Squacco Heron
Greenbacked Heron
Blackcrowned Night Heron
Whitebacked Night Heron
Little Bittern
Hamerkop
White Stork
Black Stork
Abdims Stork
Maribou Stork
Yellowbilled Stork
Sacred Ibis
Glossy Ibis
Hadedda Ibis
African Spoonbill
Greater Flamingo
Lesser Flamingo
Whitefaced Duck
Egyptian Goose
South African Shelduck
Yellowbilled Duck
African Black Duck
Redbilled Teal
Southern Pochard
Cape Vulture
Whitebacked Vulture
Lappetfaced Vulture
Black Kite

FISH LIST:

Barbel
Soft mouth bass
Carp



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