



Driving to Dedeben Research Centre from Johannesburg

Please be aware, there has recently been road upgrades and realignments in the area and some GPS systems and printed maps may be inaccurate. Please follow the directions provided.

Recommended route from Johannesburg – distance approximately 660km

- Estimated driving time is 8 hours
- Take M1 south, take Bloemfontein split and follow N12 and the signs to Kimberley
- Stay on the N12, proceed through Potchefstroom, Klerksdorp, and Wolmaransstad
- At Wolmaransstad take R504 to Schweizer-Reneke, then R34 to Vryburg
- From Vryburg, continue on the N14 to Kuruman
- In Kuruman turn right at the first traffic light and follow the signs to Hotazel / Kgalagadi Transfrontier Park (R31)
- Hotazel is the last fuel stop before you reach Tswalu
- In Kuruman please contact the Dylan to establish an estimate time of arrival (please call as I need to meet you on arrival). Tel: +27 53 781 9262 / +27 76 112 4094. Mobile phone coverage is available all the way from Johannesburg to Tswalu.
- Approximately 56km from Kuruman you will pass a sign on the left to Kathu & Deben (R380). A short distance past this signage you will cross over a railway bridge. After the bridge you will pass a sign on the right to Hotazel where fuel, a butchery and basic food-stuffs are available.
- Approximately 72km from Kuruman (before Blackrock) turn left onto the tar road R31 following signs to Kgalagadi Transfrontier Park and Van Zylsrus
- After about 42km you will see a turn to your left (indicated as Sonstraal on maps and GPS) it is sign-posted Tswalu Kalahari Reserve on the D3335 route. Please call me again from this point.
- After turning, the tar road ends and you continue on a gravel road for 18.5km until you arrive at a sliding gate across the main road. This is unlocked. Drive through and please close behind you.
- Continue for 1.2km until the turn-off on the right. Turn right and continue straight towards the hills (west).
- Keep right at the split and right again (800m from main road turn-off)
- Continue straight until the junction (approx. 400m) and turn left.
- Dedeben Research Centre will be on your left.