

# Leshiba

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## LOCATION AND DIRECTIONS

Entrance to Leshiba off the tar road:	S 23 02.444	E 029 35.962
Main Gate:	S 22 59. 649	E 029 34.779
Airfield:	S 22 59.4	E 029 33 7

**As much as Siri and Alexis have the answers to life, the universe and everything, please ignore them as GPS directions may take you on an alternative route that is along an unmaintained gravel road. Follow these directions and you won't get lost.**

**\*Please note** that the route to Leshiba via the N1 is a Toll Road. Toll Gate costs amount to approximately R240 **one way** from JHB to Louis Trichardt. There is one Toll Gate coming from the North along the N1.

### DIRECTIONS FROM THE SOUTH:

- Take the M1 North out of Johannesburg
- Get onto the **N1 North** to Polokwane
- At Polokwane continue north, staying on the N1 to Louis Trichardt
- At Louis Trichardt, the first main 4-way stop that you come to turn **left** into Rissik Street. This becomes the **R522** to Vivo and **follow our directions**

### DIRECTIONS FROM THE NORTH via Louis Trichardt:

- On arrival in Louis Trichardt turn **right** into Rissik Street / R522 and **follow our directions**

### DIRECTIONS FROM THE NORTH / SOUTH via VIVO:

- On arrival in Vivo turn on to the R522 towards Louis Trichardt and travel for 37km to our turn off. Follow directions from our gravel road.

### Very Important:

When you reach Louis Trichardt or Vivo (depending on the route you choose), please call on **WhatsApp only – Joyce +27 (0) 72 710 6880 / Lukas +27 (0) 79 542 6556 or Kathryn +27 (0) 83 444 0456 or mobile call on +27 (0) 83 266 9502** to get the code for the gate or to arrange for your transfer. **Please make sure you reach somebody. Do not leave a message. For emergencies or if you are unable to reach the Lodge, call Lara on +27 (0) 74 059 0560.** Please note that there is limited cell phone reception at Leshiba.

The BP garage that you will come to on the left (after turning on to Rissik St) is one of the last fuel fill up stations in Louis Trichardt. A few blocks further on the right-hand side is Werda Motors. There is a final fuel station approximately 5 km before the Leshiba turn off along the R522.

**Put your speedometer to 0 at the first four way stop at Rissik Street. It is 36.1km to the Leshiba turn off.**

- Take Rissik Street all the way out of Louis Trichardt and ± 31km from the town you will cross over a railway line.
- Carry on over the railway line for ± 4.7 km and you will cross over the SAND RIVER Bridge
- After the bridge +- 300m down the road you will see the **Leshiba** sign on the right-hand side.
- Turn right onto the gravel road.
- Follow all signs to **Leshiba**

**There are a number of gates along the road, which may or may not be closed. Please go through the gates and leave these as you find them.**

- Carry on along the gravel road. After ± 4 km you will come to a farmhouse on your left.

**If you have pre - arranged a transfer (at an extra charge per vehicle used each way) and have called to inform the lodge of your time of arrival, please park your car in the parking bays provided. Someone from Leshiba will meet you here.**

- After the farmhouse, a few hundred metres up ahead, the road forks - **keep to the right**. Continue following the signs that say Leshiba.

**\*NOTE: NB. The main gate to Leshiba, at the top of the mountain is locked. If you have not already received the code for the lock, please WhatsApp call the Lodge. Please ensure that you close the gate properly by putting the chain around the gate and not just the gate post and that you have secured the combination lock.**

#### **IMPORTANT TIPS WHEN DRIVING UP THE MOUNTAIN**

1. If you are driving a 4 x 4 with low range, engage low range 3rd gear for an easy ride up or engage normal 4 x 4 and keep in a low gear.
2. Keep all other vehicles without low range in first gear the whole way up.
3. Try not to use your clutch too much.
4. Try to take the drainage bumps at an angle rather than driving straight over them.
5. If you find your wheels start spinning on the gravel – decelerate.

- When you come through the gate at the top of the mountain, stay on the main road and follow signs to RECEPTION.
- Keep straight at the first sign that says RECEPTION
- At the next intersection, which is a large 4-way intersection, turn right to RECEPTION
- You will pass a sign on the left that says HORSE & HOUND. Carry on straight towards RECEPTION
- After ± 80m, turn RIGHT at the next sign / road to the right and carry on following RECEPTION signs
- You will drive through the valley and the road curves right.
- Keep right and cross the valley up to the VENDA ART LODGE where you will find our RECEPTION

**Travel times to plan arrival at Leshiba.**

Johannesburg to Leshiba via the N1	5 hours
Louis Trichardt to Leshiba Reception via the R522	1 hour
Louis Trichardt to the transfer / meeting point via the R522	30 minutes
Transfer point at the bottom of the mountain to Leshiba Reception	30 minutes
Vivo to Leshiba Reception via the R522	1 hour
Vivo to the transfer / meeting point via the R522	30 minutes
Polokwane to Louis Trichardt or Vivo: via the N1 or R521	1 hour
Pont Drift Border Post (Mashatu/Tuli) to Leshiba Reception via Alldays / Vivo	2.5 hours
Punda Maria Gate (KNP) to Leshiba via Louis Trichardt	2.5 hours
Tzaneen to Leshiba via the R36	2.5 hours
Durban to Leshiba- various routes	12 hours
Cape Town to Leshiba- follow directions from Johannesburg	As above

Enjoy the drive!

### TIPS FOR DRIVING ON THIS MOUNTAIN ROAD.

1. Keep in low gear all the way.
2. Preferably take the bumps at an angle.
3. Try not to use your clutch too much.
4. If you find your wheels start spinning on the gravel – decelerate.

When you reach Louis Trichardt or Vivo please call on any of the numbers below to get the code for the gate.

WhatsApp only –

- Joyce +27 (0) 72 710 6880
- Lukas +27 (0) 79 542 6556
- Kathryn +27 (0) 83 444 0456

Mobile call –

\*Note: Please **do not** leave a message or send an SMS. Make sure you speak to someone.

- +27 (0) 83 266 9502

Emergencies –

- Lara +27 (0) 74 059 0560

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As on the Reservation Request form, should you wish to leave your car at the base of the mountain at the first farmhouse, please advise us when you make your reservation and we will come and collect you from this point for a charge per vehicle used each way, payable at the Lodge.

