Grootbos Reserve - really enjoyed this area / this resort and spa. We all had spa treatments-- more than one! The staff could not have been any more accommodating. The Flora tour by jeep very educational. The sunsets amazing. The food is terrific. Learned a bit about (and tasted) the local SA gins. Always important. Would not hesitate to recommend this place...Exploring the caves/water ecosystems with our guide very enjoyable. Got a decent pic of a whale breaching the surface watching from Grootbos beachfront house for doing such. Learned a bit more about SA wines-- esp Elgin area / good stuff. **Tom Spak, Jul 2016** 

Everything worked out perfectly: your arrangements were excellent. Kwandwe was great - saw a ton of game; herds of elephants, lions, cheetahs, zebra, wildebeest, giraffe, a variety of buck. Terrific overall; will definitely use you again, and happy to recommend you to others.

Many thanks,

## **Bobbie & Roy First, Feb 2016**

We loved our time at Kwandwe Ecca Lodge. We loved the rooms, the staff, the service, the food... we really cannot say enough great things about this place. The game viewing was really good, not the best we've had, but really good. We did get to see our first leopard ever there (thanks to the patience and dedication of our awesome Ranger and Tracker!!!), heard our first lion roar there (truly awesome), and got charged at by a black rhino (truly spectacular). It really is the staff, service, food and rooms that set this place apart for us. The staff treated us like royalty, and the extra touches (like a special BBQ sun-downer in the bush, a fantastic bush breakfast, and a romantic dinner in our room on Valentine's Day) make this place truly special. It really was a decadent safari experience!!!

## **Rick and Melinda Ott**

Grootbos was a great place to recover from the flight. The drive from the airport was very scenic and not too tiring. The accommodations, staff, and food were exceptionally fine. We were in the Forest Lodge, which I would strongly recommend over the Garden due to its smaller size, better integration into the landscape and more open views. The reserve is very beautiful, and the staff botanist did a great job of taking us on hikes and drives. He really encouraged James's enthusiasm. We would love to return and hike into the hills.

Thanks again.

Michael Fitzgerald