



DAWSONS

GAME AND TROUT LODGE

*It is a pleasure to present you with our 2008 Wedding Package. Dawson's Game and Trout Lodge is a truly magnificent place for a wedding. The open skies, the fresh air, the relaxed atmosphere created by such a unique setting all come together to provide you, and your guests, with a venue ideally suited for your special day.*

*Please bear in mind that Dawson's Game and Trout Lodge is about natural beauty, pampering, individual needs and tailor-made packages. Everything you read below is do-able, as well as not! We can change or add as you please – that's part of our approach in order to create something totally unique to you.*

*Should you wish to come out and view the Lodge and its surrounds, feel free to contact me and I will arrange everything for the two of you.*

*Warm regards,*

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*Due to Dawson's intimate nature, we can accommodate a wedding for approximately 40 people – in other words, we can provide rooms and beds for approximately 38 adults and 16 children. The property and Lodge itself can accommodate as many day guests as you like – there is certainly no limit when it comes to that! Should you require details on accommodation in the surrounding areas we will gladly supply you with a list of recommended facilities.*

### **The Main Lodge:**

*To accommodate your weekend wedding we require that the Lodges 8x rooms be booked out on the Friday and Saturday night. 4 of these rooms must be occupied by a minimum of 2 people.*

*For a mid-week wedding (Monday to Thursday), we require the lodge's 8x rooms to be booked out on the night of your wedding only. This does not include Public Holidays.*

*Dawson's Game and Trout Lodges' 2008 Wedding Rate for Lodge guests is R 1,140.00 per person sharing per night. This includes dinner, bed and breakfast, as well as High Tea on the day of arrival (Lodge guests only). Wedding menu and other optional extras (see following pages) will be charged accordingly. Should you be having wedding Dinner or Lunch, the surcharge per menu is charged in addition to the rate of R1,140.00 per person.*

*The Wedding Couple's accommodation is complimentary on the night of the Wedding Ceremony. As we are in the industry of pampering and indulgence we don't simply open the door to your suite and leave it as is. However, if we told you what we prepared for you it wouldn't be a surprise!*

*The Homestead, our beautifully restored Farmhouse, sleeps approximately 18 and the intimate, quaint Creek side Cottage sleeps 5. All buildings are within 700 meters of the main Lodge. Traditionally, the Homestead and the Cottage are self-catering. However, for the purpose of your wedding, if you would like us to cater for you we will gladly do so. Meals will be charged accordingly. Dawson's Game and Trout Lodge 2008 Rate for the homestead is R 4000 per night and for Creekside Cottage R 1140.*

*Please note, a venue hire fee of between R6000 – R8000 is levied at Dawsons. This fee is based on the number of guests attending the wedding, as well as preparation and items required from Dawson's collection.*

### **Ceremony:**

*The Wedding Ceremony can be held in one of our intimate conference rooms or between the two, as well as on the open-air Pool Terrace overlooking the mountains and grass plains. If you would like to get married in the 'bush' we have done it before – hay bales, a few chairs, a reed awning and voila – a unique Bush Chapel.*

*The Reception can be held at our circular reed Boma below the Lodge, 2 adjacent conference rooms or Pool Terrace.*

### **Wedding Couple Specialties:**

*On the day of, or before, the Wedding we will arrange a full body massage and an organic spice bath for the bride. There is a comprehensive Spa package, tailor-made for our bridal party, on offer. Please let us know and we will gladly provide you with it.*

*At Dawson's we encourage romance and there's no better way to do it than Sundowners on the Hill for the couple and friends. We will arrange a Game Drive for you the day before the Wedding and take you on a drive you'll never forget.*

*Light snacks will be provided during the day of the wedding for the bride, her hairdresser, make-up artist and maid of honour.*

### **Menu:**

*An option of 4 starters, soups, mains, desserts will be offered in order to create the desired menu. Dawson's likes to work closely with the wedding couple and acknowledges the importance of the dining experience. We would therefore recommend meeting our Head Chef and discussing the various options together.*

*Dawson's average dinner menu is R185 per person, lunch R135. This price is subject to change depending on the menu selected. Alternative menus on request will be priced accordingly. Please see menus below for a guideline.*

### **Bar:**

*The Lodge will provide you with a copy of the current Wine List. You can specify your beverage accounting instructions by either charging on consumption to your Master Account ("bar tab"), setting up a cash bar or a combination of both.*

*Should you wish to supply you own wine for the Wedding meal a corkage fee of R40 per bottle will be levied. Should you request a specific wine label or Estate we will gladly source it for you.*

**Optional extras:**

*Arrival Drinks are available upon request and charged per consumption.  
Game drives with snacks and drinks, charged p/person and per consumption.  
Champagne for toasting and Wine for tables*

**Dawson's can arrange the following for you:**

*Flowers & Candles  
Photographer and Videographer  
Hairdresser  
Wedding cake  
Make-up artist  
Minister*

**Times:**

*Check in time 14:00 pm  
Check out time 11:00 am (unless by prior arrangement)*

**Meals to offer:**

<b><u>CATERING</u></b>	<b><u>ADULTS</u></b>	<b><u>CHILDREN 7 – 12 YR</u></b>	<b><u>CHILDREN 4 – 7 YRS</u></b>
<b><u>Breakfast</u></b>			
<i>Full Dawson's Breakfast</i>	<i>R 85.00</i>	<i>R 50.00</i>	<i>R 20.00</i>
<b><u>Lunch</u></b>			
<i>2 Course</i>	<i>R 95.00</i>	<i>R 45.00</i>	<i>R 20.00</i>
<i>3 Course</i>	<i>R 135.00</i>	<i>R 65.00</i>	<i>R 30.00</i>
<i>Picnic</i>	<i>R 95.00</i>	<i>R 35.00</i>	<i>R20.00</i>
<b><u>High Tea</u></b>			
<i>Coffee, Tea, Cake &amp; Savoury</i>	<i>R 35.00</i>	<i>R 25.00</i>	<i>R 15.00</i>
<b><u>Dinner</u></b>			
<i>4 Course</i>	<i>R 185.00</i>	<i>R 95.00</i>	<i>R 40.00</i>
<i>Boma Dinner 3 Meats</i>	<i>R 190.00</i>	<i>R 85.00</i>	<i>R 40.00</i>

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**Menu Option A**

*Additional surcharge of 110.00 per person*

**To Start**

*Beef Carpaccio served with Tomato Salsa and Balsamic Reduction*

*Or*

*Smoked Salmon set upon Blini served with Crème Cheese and Caviar*

**To cleanse your palate**

*Creamy Lemon and Ginger Sorbet*

**The Main event**

*Seared Springbok Fillet wrapped in banana leaf accompanied by Potato Wedges  
and a Red Wine and Marula Jus*

*Or*

*Dawson's grilled Trout nestled on a bed of Wild Rice and served with a  
White Wine Sauce*

**The Grand finale**

*Decadent Dark Chocolate Mousse*

*Or*

*Deep Fried Banana Ravioli served with our Famous Homemade  
Lavender and Honey Ice-Cream*



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**Menu Option B**

*Additional surcharge of R 80.00 per person*

**To Start**

*Smoked Trout Crepes served with Tzatziki*

*Or*

*Deep Fried Camembert on a bed of greens served with Cranberry Sauce*

**To cleanse your palate**

*Creamy Lemon and Ginger Sorbet*

**The Main event**

*Beef Fillet Stuffed with Black Cherries, served with a  
Green Madagascan Peppercorn sauce and Crushed Baby Potatoes*

*Or*

*Kingklip Malaysian Curry finished with Coconut Milk and Coconut Flakes  
served with Basmati Rice*

**The Grand finale**

*Fruity Pavlova finished with Cinnamon cream*

*Or*

*Dawson's Homemade Amarula Tiramisu topped with Meringue*



**Menu Option C**

*Additional surcharge of R50 per person*

**To start**

*Garlic Snails set in a Phyllo Basket and served with a Blue Cheese Sauce*

*Or*

*Italian Tomato Soup finished with a Swirl of Fresh Cream*

**To cleanse your palate**

*Creamy Lemon and Ginger Sorbet*

**The Main event**

*Chicken Breast stuffed with Spinach and Feta Cheese served with Herb Cous-Cous  
and a Sweet Roasted Pepper Sauce*

*Or*

*Loin of Lamb Rack with a Mint Crust served with a Natural Mint Jus  
and Sweet Potato Mash*

**The Grand finale**

*Seasonal Fruit Crumble served with Cream and/or Crème Anglaise*

*Or*  
*Homemade Mixed Berry Cheesecake with Frozen Berries*



- *Apple rounds and cream cheese*
- *'Egg and spoon race' (stuffed eggs presented stylishly on a selection of spoons – it's all in the presentation!)*
- *Crumbed mushrooms on a bed of rocket, nestled on crackers*
- *Sushi*
- *Pesto parmesan pitas*
- *Cold fruity soup in shot glasses (a myriad of colours)*
- *Mini tomato Capri's*
- *A selection of bruschetta with various pates and pestos*
- *Rare roast beef wrapped around crispy al dente green beans*
- *Mini Quiches*
- *Vine leaves filled with smoked mussels*
- *Smoked salmon pikelets*
- *Mushroom roulade*
- *Lamb koftas roasted on a sprig of rosemary*
- *Spicy tortilla triangles*
- *Tex-Mex Guacamole*

*The price per head for the canapés will be dependant on your selection and quantity required.*

**Cheese Board**  
**R450 per platter**

*Our Cheese Board is a unique 50cm diameter platter that serves approximately 30 guests. A beautifully presented variety of cheeses, preserves and biscuits, it is the perfect ending to your Wedding meal.*

*We will garnish it based on your Wedding colours or theme and can serve it with coffee, in front of the fire with a selection of sherries, ports and jerepigo or under the stars on the pool terrace with champagne.*

**Our Activities:**

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<i>Game Drives</i>	<i>R 100.00 p.p</i>	<i>Maximum 10 people per vehicle</i>	
<i>Trout &amp; Bass Permit</i>	<i>R 55.00</i>	<i>Per day</i>	<i>Per person</i>
<i>Trout Rod Hire</i>	<i>R 55.00</i>	<i>Per day</i>	<i>Per rod</i>
<i>Bass Rod Hire</i>	<i>R 55.00</i>	<i>Per day</i>	<i>Per rod</i>
<i>Flies to buy</i>	<i>R 10.00</i>	<i>Each</i>	
<i>Plastic Bass Lures</i>	<i>R 10.00</i>	<i>Each</i>	
<i>Fly Fishing Tuition</i>	<i>R 100.00</i>	<i>Per person</i>	<i>1 to 2 hours</i>
<i>Trout Bag Hire</i>	<i>Free of charge</i>		
<i>Guided Bird Walks</i>	<i>R 85.00</i>	<i>Per person</i>	
<i>Waterfall Walk</i>	<i>Free of charge</i>		
<i>Clay Pigeon Shooting</i>	<i>R150 rifle hire and R9 per clay thereafter</i>		
<i>Archery:</i>			
<i>Tuition and</i>			
<i>Target shooting</i>	<i>R 120.00</i>	<i>Per person</i>	<i>Per hour</i>
<i>Broken Arrows:</i>	<i>R80.00</i>	<i>Per arrow</i>	
<i>Quad Biking:</i>			
<i>Trail Ride</i>	<i>R 250.00</i>	<i>1 hour</i>	<i>Per person</i>
<i>Game Ride</i>	<i>R 360.00</i>	<i>2 hours</i>	<i>Per person</i>
<i>Horseback Safari Rides:</i>	<i>R350.00</i>	<i>2 hours</i>	<i>Per person</i>

***Horse riding does need to be arranged in advance as this is an outsourced company and is not included in our Standard Lodge Rates.***

**Extras:**

<i>Ice</i>	<i>R 25.00</i>	<i>Per bag</i>	
<i>Babysitting</i>	<i>R40.00</i>	<i>Per hr per</i>	<i>Maximum 2 children</i>

*Wood*

*R 35.00*

*child  
Per bag*

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***Wedding Terms and Conditions at Dawsons Game and Trout Lodge:***

*Please ensure you and your partner both have a good read before signing anything. Thank you.*

- *No cheques will be accepted as a method of payment.*
- *Only recognized credit cards and direct deposit payments are accepted.*

- *Our Banking Details:*

<i>Name of Account</i>	<b><i>Dawson's Game and Trout Lodge</i></b>
<i>Name of Bank</i>	<b><i>Nedbank</i></b>
<i>Branch No.</i>	<b><i>146805 (Nelspruit)</i></b>
<i>Account No.</i>	<b><i>146807 3524</i></b>
- *Interest will be levied at prime bank lending rate on all outstanding amounts not settled at the time of departure.*
- *The hotel reserves the right to take legal action against the signatories party to this agreement jointly and severally, to recover any outstanding amounts at the time of departure and/or any interest and/or legal fees resulting from late payment and/or any default and/or breach of this agreement.*
- *The hotel reserves the right to take legal action against the signatories party to this agreement jointly and severally, to recover any outstanding amounts at the time of departure and/or any interest/damages and/or legal fees resulting from damage and/or injury caused to the property, equipment and/or staff and/or management of Dawson's Game and Trout Lodge by any signatory and/or guest, their employees and/or contractors while on the property of Dawson's Game and Trout Lodge.*
- *This agreement cannot be assigned to any third party.*

*Payment requirements:*

*Bookings are secured on receipt of a 50% deposit.*

*30 Days after booking with the office.*

- *50 % Deposit*

*60 Days before Wedding*

- *Confirm menu*

*30 Days before Wedding*

- *Final appointment – procedures of wedding day discussed*
- *Final Checklist*
- *Final Bar requirements*
- *Final confirmation of menu*
- ***Final confirmation of Guests***
- *Balance of pro-forma costing to be settled*

*Cancellation Policy*

- *50% cancellation fee applicable on total quote, if cancellation occurs between 60 to 45 days prior to the date of your function.*
- *100% cancellation fee applicable on total quote, if cancellation occurs 31 days or less, prior to the date of your function.*

- *No cancellations will be accepted unless reduced in writing and signed by both parties. The client must confirm all changes and cancellations in writing. No verbal instructions will be accepted. No exception to cancellation policy will be made.*
- *In the event of non-payment within the time specified, Dawson's Game and Trout Lodge shall be entitled to cancel a provisional booking without further notice or liability to the client.*

#### Other Terms & Conditions

- *Full rooming list/function details are required minimum 30 days prior to your event.*
- *Whilst every precaution will be taken to ensure the safeguarding of your belongings, Dawson's Game and Trout Lodge, its staff and/or management will not be liable for any loss, damage and/or injury to any person and/or property whatsoever and at anytime (décor, props, wedding gifts, valuables, etc...).*
- *In the event of cancellation by Dawson's Game and Trout Lodge, for any reason whatsoever, Dawson's Game and Trout Lodge will undertake to advise the client timeously and will undertake, where possible, to assist with alternative arrangements. Dawson's Game and Trout Lodge will reimburse all monies received from the client should cancellation occur under the above circumstances.*
- *The facilities of the lodge cannot be utilized other than for the purpose stated in this agreement.*
- *No beverages or food may be brought onto the Lodge premises unless arranged by Management.*
- *Please note that there are a minimum amount of guests required to secure a private venue.*
- *Should draping be required, the Lodge will advise an applicable cost.*
- *Rates valid till end December 2008. Dawson's Game and Trout Lodge reserves the right to amend rates without prior notification.*
- ***Changes regarding numbers, menus and venues will be accepted up to 1 (one) month prior to the function date. Thereafter no adjustments may be made. This figure will be used for the billing process - no reductions will be accepted after this date.***
- *In the event of increasing numbers you will be billed over and above accordingly.*

#### Risk / Loss / Damages:

- *No paper confetti is allowed at Dawson's Game and Trout Lodge. You are welcome to use fresh flower petals or potpourri. If confetti is used regardless of the agreement, the client will be charged per hour spent for casual cleaning.*
- *Dawson's Game and Trout Lodge shall not be held liable for interruption of services (water, electricity, etc.)*
- *Whilst every precaution shall be taken to ensure the safeguarding of your belongings, Dawson's Game and Trout Lodge will not be liable for loss or damage to any property whatsoever. (Décor props, Wedding gifts, valuable etc.)*

#### Children's Policy:

*In order to qualify for the discounted rates on Children, the amount of children and their respective ages should be confirmed at least 14 days prior to the function date.*

00 - 2 years                      *Free of charge*  
02 – 12 years                    *50% of Adult rates*  
13 - 17 years                    *Adults rates*

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***Acceptance of General Terms & Conditions***

*In order to confirm, please complete and fax back to our Banqueting Department on 017 844 1902. This section accompanied by details of the 50% deposit must be faxed to 017 844 1902. A provisional booking will only be confirmed on receipt of both.*

I, \_\_\_\_\_

*Hereby agree to abide by the terms and conditions as set out in the Dawson's Game and Trout Lodge terms and conditions document as referenced below and hereto bide myself in my personal capacity and surety for all monies owing, arising from this agreement.*

**SIGNATURE**                    : \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME (PRINTED)**            : \_\_\_\_\_

**WEDDING DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TODAYS DATE :** \_\_\_\_\_

**AMOUNT OF GUESTS** \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT DETAILS:**

**AMOUNT PAID :** \_\_\_\_\_

**REFERENCE USED :** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE PAID :** \_\_\_\_\_

**DEPOSITED AT :** \_\_\_\_\_

**Wedding Co-ordination Form**

**Date of Wedding** \_\_\_\_\_

**Full Name of Bride** \_\_\_\_\_

**Full Name of Groom** \_\_\_\_\_

**Master of Ceremony** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of Guests** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Adults** \_\_\_\_\_ **Total Children** \_\_\_\_\_

**Children Ages** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please furnish times of:**

**Wedding Ceremony** \_\_\_\_\_

**Photographs** \_\_\_\_\_

**Reception** \_\_\_\_\_

**Speeches** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dinner** \_\_\_\_\_

**Menu Requirements**

Special Dietary Requirements \_\_\_\_\_

**Activities Required**

Game Drives: R100.00 per person maximum of 10 guests per vehicle \_\_\_\_\_

Archery: R100.00 per person

Fly Fishing: R45.00 per permit \_\_\_\_\_ Rods Required at R45.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Bass Fishing: R45.00 per permit \_\_\_\_\_ Rods Required at R45.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Quad Biking: R320.00 per person for an two-hour game ride.

Clay Pigeon Shooting: R50.00 rifle hire and R9.50 per round shot

**Billing**

\* The full account must be settled on the day of departure

\* Final numbers to be confirmed 1 month in advance.

**Miscellaneous**

Any special requests

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**SIGNED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHYSICAL ADDRESS:**  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

*Should you have any queries or require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us. We look forward to welcoming you and your guests at Dawson's Game and Trout Lodge and assure you of our best service and attention at all times.*

*Kindest Regards*

**The Dawson's Team**