

*...A little bit of heaven, fell from out the sky one day, and nestled...*



# Lake Pleasant

## CHALETS & LODGES

## Introduction

A peaceful well shaded resort situated halfway between Wilderness and Knysna on the shores of the Garden Routes only freshwater-lake Groenvlei. Groenvlei is a part of the Goukamma Nature Reserve and also part of the Knysna & Wilderness National Lakes Area; the Nature Reserve, on the Resort's eastern boundary, is over 2500 hectares or 50 square kms in extent.

Lake Pleasant boasts being the only Resort offering 3 star graded, serviced, Cottages & Lodges, as well as Caravan and Camping, alongside a fresh-water Lake in the Southern Cape. The Resort has a Squash Court as well as a Tennis Court, two Swimming Pools and safe swimming at the Resort's Lake Beach at Groenvlei. Lake Pleasant also offers rowing Boats and Canoes for hire, magnificent Bass Fishing, private mooring facilities should you bring your own craft, a large Games area and a self service Laundromat. The Sea with its 14 km stretch of golden-sanded Beach, the proclaimed Goukamma Marine Reserve, is just over the hill (3km), easily accessible by most vehicles.

The accommodation has proudly received a 3 star self-catering grading from the Tourism Grading Council of South Africa annually since 2002.

## HISTORY

Lake Pleasant Resort and the greater Sedgefield area, previously part of the sprawling farm Ruygte Valley or Ruigtevlei, can be traced back to ownership by a dutch soldier and first Conservator of the Knysna forests, JF Meeding (approx 1785). Ruigtevlei was divided into 9 lots in 1878 with Catherine Dorethea Meeding and husband Henry Hooper inheriting Lot C from her parents. Their son Johannes Jacobus Hooper, known as James, found the first gold nugget in the nearby Karatara River in 1876, which sparked the Millwood gold rush that reached its height in 1886. James two sons, Charteris & Humphrey inherited and later subdivided Lot C into smaller portions. Charteris reportedly swam the entire length of Groenvlei & back before breakfast daily & in 1910 became the first recorded person to swim from Robben Island to Blauwbergstrand.

Humphrey's widow, Ethel (Eppie) Hooper, sold her 72 acre portion to Rory (Pat) Hennessy in October 1962. Current owners, the Lidstone family, Roger, Allannah & children Briony, Stuart & Anthea, arrived by ship from the U.K. in 1968 to assist Allannah's father, Pat Hennessy and mother Catherina (Rene), in running the already well established Resort. Initially only part owners, Roger and Allannah (Lan) purchased the remainder in 1973 and operated the Resort uninterrupted till Roger's passing in September 2011 & Lan's in April 2023.

The Resort remains Sedgefield's only privately owned self-catering & camping Resort and is managed by the 3rd generation of the Hennessy-Lidstone family, Stuart with, Lan's Companion & Caregiver, Sally v Niekerk & loyal ladies Sylvia, Abegail, Pheliswa, Sanna & Lindiwe & groundsman Jeremy & Kalie.



*Home of the Black Bass  
and Wild Bird,  
situated halfway between  
Wilderness and Knysna*

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## Caravan and Camping Sites

In addition to our fully equipped & serviced (self catering) Cottages & Lodges, we have 55 large, level, and superbly lawned caravan and camping sites with a choice of shady, semi shade and sunny sites depending on the season and your preferences. The sites have electricity and water on each stand or nearby and, to ensure your maximum comfort, extremely clean large modern ablutions offering plenty of hot water. We also have a well maintained scullery, laundry with free usage of washing machines and tumble dryers as well as more than adequate clothes lines.



The management and staff extend a warm welcome to all caravanners and campers and invite you to spend a memorable holiday with us and enjoy all that the Southern Cape and surrounding area has to offer. You will not be disappointed!! Whether you enjoy camping, fishing, hiking, or swimming, Lake Pleasant Holiday Resort is the place to be. Whether the sea invites you to cast a fishing line, or the tranquility and abundant birdlife of the park is what you prefer - unwind and relax with us - and, like many inland and international visitors have found, you will leave us looking forward to your next visit.

*The Timber Cottages* (Chalets) are situated in a beautiful position against the hill nestling amongst indigenous Milkwood trees, overlooking the Resort and Lake. They comprise three bedrooms, one with double bed, the second room with single beds and the third with either single or adaptable bunk-style beds. The main bedroom has a bathroom en suite; the second bathroom offers a shower, bath, toilet and hand basin. A large wooden deck (veranda) with built in braai (barbeque) leads into the lounge which boasts an open fireplace. A private and exclusive Swimming Pool is available for the 5 Timber Cottages resident's exclusive use. The Timber Cottages now offer the *DSTV Stay Essential* viewing bouquet.

Load-shedding:

The Timber Cottages offer: 2-burner Alva Gas Cooker Kitchen Island, on casters, with gas-Kettle & cooking-Pans; a Power Inverter/UPS for each Cottage TV/DSTV; and 2 x Magneto LED lights per Cottage.



## The Garden Lodges

are constructed in brick, semi-detached, in a lovely green setting, surrounded by established trees and visited by a myriad of birds. They comprise two bedrooms with either a kingsize bed or 2 single beds in each bedroom, one-and-a-half bathrooms, upstairs and downstairs, and an open-plan lounge / kitchen & a Jetmaster type fireplace in the Lounge (4 southern facing Lodges only). The Lounge 3 seater Oak Settee can make up into the 5th & 6th beds, by prior arrangement. Sliding doors lead onto a brick patio & braai area. The Garden Lodges (4 southern facing Lodges only) offer DSTV Stay Essential viewing bouquet and the 4 northern facing Lodges offer the Open View bouquet.

Guide To Inventory: All accommodations are fully equipped and serviced daily: Electric 2-door fridges, Stoves with ovens, Kettles, Toasters, Microwaves. Attractive crockery, cutlery and glassware. Everything from a wooden spoon to oven glove, braaigrid & tongs. Bedding and bath towels provided; bring only swimming towels, shampoos & soaps!

Load-shedding:

The Garden Lodges offer: 2-burner Alva Gas Cooker Kitchen Island, on casters, with gas-Kettle, Pot & Pan; and 1 x Magneto LED light per Lodge.





# Daily Tariff

(INCL VAT @ 15%)

(with effect from 12/01/2024 and subject to alteration without notice)

## CHALETs (Timber Cottages 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms)

Peak Season (14/12/24 to 06/01/25)

Maximum 6 person's

R3500

Summer Season (08/12/24 to 14/12/24 & 06/01/2025 to 12/01/2025)

and

Easter Season (20/03/24 to 03/04/24) incl Easter Weekend

(28/03/2024 to 01/04/2024)

R2000 - 2/4 persons

R2200 - 5 persons

R2400 - 6 persons

Balance of Year (12/01/24 to 20/03/24 & 03/04/24 to 08/12/24)

R1200 - 2 persons

R1400 - 3 persons

R1600 - 4 persons

R1800 - 5 persons

R2000 - 6 persons

## GARDEN LODGES (2 bedrooms, 1 ½ bathrooms)

Peak Season (14/12/24 to 06/01/25)

Maximum 4 person's

R2600

R 300 per extra person (by prior arrangement)

Summer Season (08/12/24 to 14/12/24 & 06/01/2025 to 12/01/2025) and

Easter Season (20/03/24 to 03/04/24) incl Easter Weekend (28/03/2024 to 01/04/2024)

R1200 - 2 persons

R1400 - 3 persons

R1600 - 4 persons

Balance of Year (12/01/24 to 20/03/24 & 03/04/24 to 08/12/24)

R 900 - 2 persons

R1100 - 3 persons

R1300 - 4 persons

PLEASE NOTE: All accommodation is non-smoking.

## DAILY TARIFF FOR CARAVAN AND TENT STANDS (incl. VAT @ 15%)

(With effect from 15/01/2023 - subject to alteration without notice)

**ADVANCE BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL AT ALL TIMES - IMMEDIATE 50% DEPOSIT REQUIRED TO CONFIRM**

No OF PERSONS PER NIGHT (MAXIMUM 6 PER STAND)	CHRISTMAS SCHOOL HOLIDAYS (PEAK SEASON) 10/12/2024 to 14/01/2025	EASTER SEASON 20/03/2024 to 03/04/2024 incl. Easter Weekend (28/03/2024 to 01/04/2024)	BALANCE OF YEAR (LOW SEASON) 12/01/2024 to 10/12/2024 (Excl. Easter Season) 20/4/2024 to 03/04/2024
1 - 4	R 1100	PER SITE	PER SITE
5	R 1250	Two persons R500	Two persons R420
6	R 1350	Extra per person from	Extra per person from
		3rd person R 100	3rd person R 80
			Pensioners: see below

BRAAI / BRAAIGRID –Limited portable braais are available from the Office, free-of-charge, on a first-come first-served basis, a R200 refundable deposit is required for Peak Season only.

CARAVAN STORAGE – At Owner's risk, at R60 per day or R600 per calendar month.

EXTRA VEHICLE - R80 per extra vehicle. Only one caravan and vehicle included per site.

PAYMENT OF BALANCE OF ACCOUNT ON ARRIVAL. FOR PEAK SEASON ONLY ON OR BEFORE 1ST DECEMBER PLEASE.

PENSIONERS: Daily @ R350 (2 Persons/Minimum 2 nights), Monthly Tariff (30 nights/excl Peak Season) @ R3900.

POWERPOINT (16amp) - already included.







### Directions to Lake Pleasant

Lake Pleasant Resort is situated east of Sedgefield and is extremely well signposted on the N2, turn at the "LAKE PLEASANT" and "GROENVLEI" signs 3 kms east of the only traffic lights in Sedgefield.

Continue till just after the 3rd speed-hump, the Office/Reception is on the right, facing you.

GPS/Map Co-ordinates: 34° 1'34.20"S 22°50'2.15"E

### Mileage

Cape Town	470km	Oudtshoorn	92km
Durban	1240km	Port Elizabeth	289km
East London	590km	Plettenberg Bay	52km
George	40km	Tsitsikamma	137km
Johannesburg	1208km	Mossel Bay	77km
Knysna	20km		

### Contact us

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