



CAVERN RESORT AND SPA

Discovering a holiday destination close by, affordable, luxurious and family orientated is a rare find. So, when we heard about the Cavern Resort and Spa, we phoned to find out more. We were impressed by the professional staff who were thorough, pleasant and obliging and we booked our annual holiday with our three young children all under seven years of age.

A few months later, after a three hour trip from Johannesburg, we were in the midst of the majestic Drakensberg Mountains in the northern 'Berg with spectacular views near to the world renowned Amphitheatre. Once settled in our spacious, chic suite, my husband and I explored the resort with the kids before returning for a delectable lunch. The chef even prepared fresh puréed vegetables for our baby. That evening, my husband and I ate in the Adult Dining Room, whilst the kids ate in the supervised Kiddies'

Dining Room. We enjoyed our 'romantic rendezvous' so much that we ate by ourselves for the remaining four days.

We took advantage of all the activities. My six year old daughter and I relaxed in the spa getting manicures, enjoying the exquisite forest scenery while dad took our young boys fishing. Supervised daily pony rides and activities kept the children busy, while hubby and I took an afternoon nap. We even hired a nanny to take care of the kids and braved the 'Bungee Bounce'.

We left relaxed and with wonderful memories. However, we won't have to linger on them too long as we will be back next year.

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FORDOUN BOUTIQUE HOTEL & SPA

Fordoun, situated in the rolling hills of Nottingham Road in the KZN Midlands, was created and is managed with the goal that every guest should leave feeling uplifted, positive and relieved of stress.

Converted from a farmyard and dairy, this boutique hotel and spa has won many awards and accolades over the last four years. Last year Fordoun was awarded Best Spa in South Africa, through House and Leisure magazine. A glance at the guest comments book tells the story.

"I couldn't believe that 5 minutes from the N3 I'd find utter peace and tranquillity, as if I was in another world. From the staff to the ambience, everything works towards helping one to chill out," wrote a recent guest.

Combining a hotel, restaurant and spa in a great setting like the KZN Midlands gives guests the opportunity to make the most of what we have to offer. As a destination spa, the underlying philosophy is that

Fordoun is focussed on positive energy and the enjoyment of life. Whether guests are combining hotel and spa or just staying in the hotel, they will find delicious food (bordering on the indulgent), an exciting wine selection and staff who appreciate the privilege of hosting them.

Another wow addition to Fordoun with arguably the best view of the Midlands, are five new suites. Visit this superb destination for an all round relaxing experience.

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