

RULES OF THE PARK

- 🇷🇷 A fishing license is required for people from 16 to 64 years of age, to fish by any method, including cane poles. The park entrance fee includes the fishing license.
- 🇷🇷 No motorised boats are allowed on the dam.
- 🇷🇷 Bag limits and methods of taking freshwater fish apply.
- 🇷🇷 The possession of nets (other than legal minnow seines, cast nets or dip nets), fish traps, trotlines or setlines is prohibited in Boskop Dam.
- 🇷🇷 Persons entering or leaving Boskop Dam can only fish in designated areas and shall enter or leave only at such designated points.
- 🇷🇷 Any vehicle, boat or other transportation device may be searched while in, entering or leaving Boskop Dam.
- 🇷🇷 Fish Management Areas may be temporarily closed to accommodate management projects (e.g., drawdowns), or if unsafe conditions exist, or as otherwise specified in a specific Fish Management Area rule.
- 🇷🇷 Boskop Dam is managed and controlled by the Department of Water Affairs, any person found to be contaminating the water will be dealt with under South African law.
- 🇷🇷 Boskop Dam Nature Reserve is a conservation area and no feeding or harming the wildlife is allowed.
- 🇷🇷 No domestic animals are allowed in the Reserve.



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Boskop Dam Nature Reserve

AT A GLANCE

CLIMATE

Generally mild to hot but the winter nights can drop to below freezing.

FACTS ABOUT THE DAM

- 🇷🇷 Park Area: 3 000 hectares
- 🇷🇷 Dam is approximately 5km long.
- 🇷🇷 Dam is fed by the Mooi River and is 15km from Potchefstroom.
- 🇷🇷 Nearby airports: O.R. Tambo International.
- 🇷🇷 Nearest cities: Potchefstroom, Klerksdorp, Johannesburg

ACTIVITIES

Boskop Dam has tremendous potential as a fly-fishing venue, offering superb sight fishing opportunities for exquisitely coloured and extremely powerful Smallmouth yellows.

In addition it also offers the opportunity to fish for Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass as well as Barbel and monstrous Carp.

Hiking trails through the nature reserve give you a wonderful opportunity to observe the wild life in the Park including Zebra, Sable Antelope, Impala, Hartebees and many more.



Camping sites along the dam with basic amenities for campers and day visitors is provided.

There will be caravan and camping sites with electricity in the near future.



Boskop Dam and Nature Reserve is located in the Mooi River valley 20 km north of the town of Potchefstroom a short distance from the R501 Carltonville road and 30km from the N14 Ventersdorp/Krugersdorp road on the Rysmierbult turnoff.

The dam lies amongst a series of low hills, it's clear waters are home to both largemouth and smallmouth bass as well as yellow fish, barbel and some large carp. Bank fishing or a boat or float tube is necessary to really fish effectively. The dam wall offers some of the best fishing because of the rock and building rubble which provides ample cover to the bass.



GATE TIMES

March & April
06h00 - 18h30

May - September
06h30 - 18h00

September & October
06h00 - 18h30

November - February
05h30 - 19h00

A CHECKLIST OF SOME OF THE BIRDS YOU WILL FIND

- 1 Ostrich
- 6 Great Crested Grebe
- 8 Dabchick
- 55 Whitebreasted Cormorant
- 58 Reed Cormorant
- 60 Darter
- 62 Grey Heron
- 63 Blackheaded Heron
- 64 Goliath Heron
- 65 Purple Heron
- 66 Great White Egret
- 67 Little Egret
- 68 Yellowbilled Egret
- 69 Black Egret
- 71 Cattle Egret
- 72 Squacco Heron
- 74 Greenbacked Heron
- 76 Blackcrowned Night Heron
- 77 Whitebacked Night Heron
- 78 Little Bittern
- 81 Hamerkop
- 83 White Stork
- 84 Black Stork
- 85 Abdims Stork
- 89 Maribou Stork
- 90 Yellowbilled Stork
- 91 Sacred Ibis
- 93 Glossy Ibis
- 94 Hadeda Ibis
- 95 African Spoonbill
- 96 Greater Flamingo
- 97 Lesser Flamingo
- 99 Whitefaced Duck
- 101 Whitebacked Duck
- 102 Egyptian Goose
- 103 South African Shelduck
- 104 Yellowbilled Duck
- 105 African Black Duck
- 108 Redbilled Teal
- 113 Southern Pochard
- 115 Knob-billed Duck
- 116 Spurwinged Goose
- 118 Secretary Bird
- 122 Cape Vulture
- 123 Whitebacked Vulture
- 124 Lappetfaced Vulture
- 125 Black Kite
- 126 Yellowbilled Kite
- 127 Blackshouldered Kite
- 130 Honey Buzzard
- 131 Black Eagle
- 132 Tawny Eagle
- 133 Steppe Eagle
- 135 Wahlbergs Eagle
- 136 Booted Eagle
- 137 Afrian Hawk Eagle
- 140 Martial Eagle
- 142 Brown Snake Eagle
- 143 Blackbreasted Snake Eagle
- 146 Bateleur
- 148 African Fish Eagle
- 149 Steppe Buzzard
- 152 Jackal Buzzard
- 156 Ovambo Sparrowhawk
- 157 Little Sparrowhawk
- 158 Black Sparrowhawk
- 159 Little Banded Goshawk
- 161 Gabar Goshawk
- 162 Pale Chanting Goshawk
- 165 Afrian Marsh Harrier
- 169 Gymnogone
- 170 Osprey
- 171 Peregrine Falcon
- 172 Lanner Falcon
- 173 Hobby Falcon
- 174 African Hobby Falcon
- 181 Rock Kestrel
- 182 Greater Kestrel
- 188 Coqui Francolin
- 189 Crested Francolin
- 191 Shelleys Francolin
- 196 Natal Francolin
- 199 Swainsons Francolin
- 200 Common Quail

