

Masazane Nature Reserve

Vumelana Farm

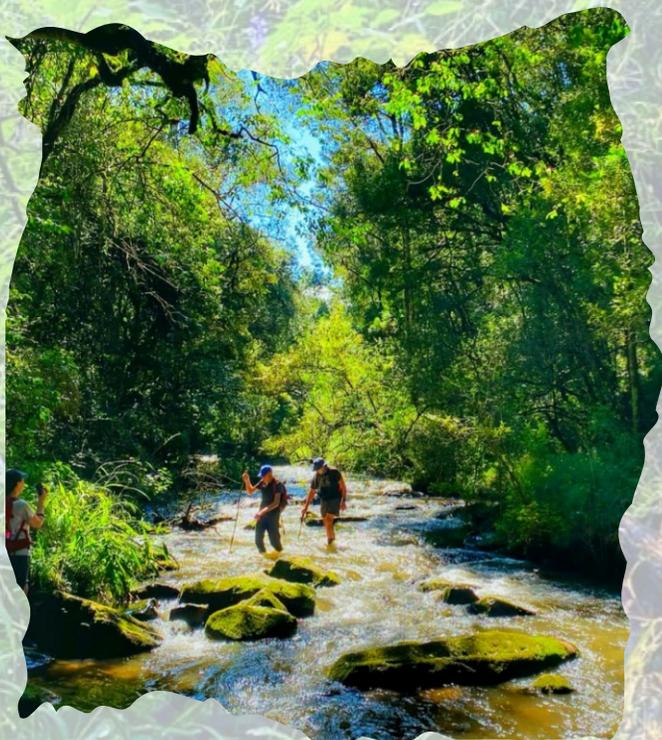
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Hike Leader: Kevin Stoffberg
Number of hikers: 11
Distance: 10km
Severity: Grade 2 - Steep and slippery within indigenous forest
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The hike started at the Vumela Farm, by walking east down the road to the Busisa camp site on the north side of the watershed, where the group picture was taken looking over the Natal grasslands between Greytown and Dalton, a stunning elevated vantage point with a view to remember.



We then headed west back towards Vumela Farm but on the south side of the watershed weaving in and out of the indigenous forest. The 100m decent to the Mshwati river, was a mud slide down due to the heavy recent rainfall. We then hiked west, downstream for a kilometre or so, crossing the river five times, before arriving at the 6m high waterfall.



A superb spot for a swim in the pool below the waterfall via the chain ladder, or by jumping in for those that dare.

The instructions were: "lots of river crossings, no time for taking shoes off and putting back on!"

What a magical spot hidden deep in the Karkloof.



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we will be back!**