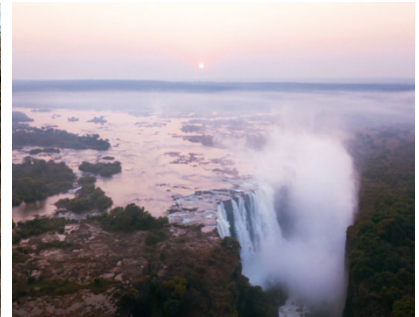


# Matetsi Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe *Named the No. 1 Resort Hotel in Africa* Travel + Leisure World's Best Awards 2021



September 9th, 2021 – [Matetsi Victoria Falls](#), a beloved family-owned and independently run luxury safari lodge in Zimbabwe, has just been named the No. 1 Resort Hotel in Africa in [Travel + Leisure's 2021 World's Best Awards](#).

Based on the 2021 readers' survey, the World's Best Awards are a powerful testament to the experience provided at Matetsi Victoria Falls, with readers rating the property's unmatched excellence based on the following characteristics: rooms and facilities, location, service, food and value. These awards are an essential, trusted source for inspiration and guidance as travelers once again make plans to set out on trips around the globe. With this prestigious recognition, Matetsi Victoria Falls has firmly cemented its position as one of the leading hotels in the world since opening its doors in 2016.

The beautifully designed luxury safari lodge is situated on the banks of the Zambezi River, within its own 136,000-acre pristine wilderness – the Matetsi Private Game Reserve. Comprising 16 suites, two family suites and a private villa, Matetsi Victoria Falls is the realization of the Gardiner family's dream to showcase everything exceptional about their home country, from safari, river and Victoria Falls to Zimbabwean design talent and hospitality.

## *Commenting on the celebrations, Sara Gardiner of Matetsi Victoria Falls –*

"We are absolutely delighted that receiving this prestigious award from Travel + Leisure coincides with the celebration of our [five-year milestone](#). It not only recognizes the exceptional daily commitment that our entire Matetsi family has to providing remarkable service, but also drives us to remain one of the very best resorts in Africa and the world. Last evening, 8 September 2021, we hosted a celebratory ceremony on property at Matetsi Victoria Falls where several dignitaries and stakeholders were invited to share in this momentous occasion. This included our Minister of Environment, Climate, Tourism and Hospitality, Hon Nqobizitha Mangaliso Ndhlovu, who kindly agreed to share a few words of congratulations with our team and the audience in which he highlighted the importance of such an accolade being bestowed on a property in Zimbabwe. We are so proud that our dream has become a reality and that we are able to encourage travellers and shine a light on Zimbabwean talent with this prestigious award. It truly means the world to myself, my family and the team. Matetsi Victoria Falls looks forward to continuing to contribute to this important industry and to celebrating many more milestones in the future."

**HOW:** Rates at Matetsi Victoria Falls start from \$850 (approx. £617) per night per person staying in a suite. For more information, please visit: [www.matetsivictoriafalls.com](http://www.matetsivictoriafalls.com)

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