



February 2026 Sunday Morning Birding Outing

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Date: Sunday, 15 February 2026

Venue: Modderfontein Nature Reserve

Meeting Point: Picnic Parking Area

Time: Meet at 07h00 | Walk starts promptly at 07h15

About the Reserve

The Modderfontein Nature Reserve offers a diverse landscape of rolling green hills, tranquil dams, and wide savannahs. It is home to:

- Mammals: Black-backed jackal, Cape clawless otter, four species of mongoose, duiker, and the near-threatened spotted-necked otter.
- Birdlife: Over 250 recorded species, including fish eagle, black swan, jackal buzzard, sacred ibis, crimson-breasted shrike, Verreaux's eagle, long-crested eagle, African spoonbill, fiery-necked nightjar, barn owl, goshawk, marsh owl, blue crane, and many more.

This abundance of birdlife is especially remarkable given the reserve's urban setting. Entrance Fees

- R50 per adult
- Pay at Taroko Trailwolf kiosk or reserve entrance.
- Please specify at the entrance that you are birding (not fishing/hiking). •

Additional fee applies if staying for a picnic or braai after the walk.

Directions (Taroko Farm Entrance)

- Take N3 Bypass, exit at Marlboro off-ramp towards Linbro Park.
- Continue on Marlboro Drive towards Busamed Hospital.
- Turn left into Longlake Street.
- At the 4-way stop, turn right into Ashworth Street.
- At the next 4-way stop, turn left into Laneshaw Street.
- Continue to the end of Laneshaw Street into Taroko entrance.

- The TrailWolf kiosk is at the bottom left of the car park.



- From there, drive ± 2 km towards the Picnic Area (signposted).

Additional Notes • Meeting point: Picnic Parking Area. • Bring binoculars, water, and comfortable walking shoes.