

Entry Permits

- o To boat on the lakes or enter the Kosi Bay Nature Reserve, the mouth area or Coastal Forest Reserve (Bhanga Nek, Black Rock, etc) day entry permits are needed.
- o Permits are R20 per person per day and R15 per vehicle.
- o You may enter the Coastal Forest Reserve without knowing it and may be stopped and asked for a permit. If you fail to produce a permit you will get a warning or a fine. It is best to ask the manager at your accommodation to direct you and inform you where you are allowed.
- o **IMPORTANT:** Please ensure that the gate attendant give back your permits because you might be stopped anywhere and fined if you cannot produce them.
- o Permits can be obtained at Mazengwenya or Kosi Nature Reserve.
- o Permit office: Go through Manguzi, heading towards the Mosambique border post. Approximately 7km from town, on your right hand side, you will see a sign directing you to Kosi Bay Nature Reserve. Turn right down this sand road and continue along for 7km until you drive straight into the boom gate. Go through to the permit office. It opens at 08h00 and closes at 16h00. No exceptions will be made. They also break for lunch between 13h00-14h00.
- o Night permits can be obtained for Kosi Mouth during full moon only (3 days). Get them at the permit office.
- o The number of permits to beaches is limited to a number of vehicles per day and they are issued on a first come first serve basis. Exceptions are made for recognized Tour operators.
- o It is a fact that during peak seasons the general public who do not stay with recognized establishments will have to plan carefully to ensure permits and might not even obtain the necessary permits.
- o The region is under constant pressure from new tour operators who enlarge the accommodation capacity without considering the carrying capacity of the Park and the limited number of permits.
- o One is not allowed to overnight inside the Park and no permits are available for overnight accommodation. You are allowed to be inside the park from 6-6 or 5-7 in summer.
- o **IMPORTANT:** Guests staying at unauthorized tourism accommodation establishments inside the Park will have to make sure that they can produce permits and conform to Park regulations.