

Case Study: Awelani Lodge

Period: 2015 - 2017

R554,000 - Awelani Lodge Micro Enterprise Development spend

R442,000 - Jungle Furniture

Farm based small factory, near White River, Mpumalanga, employs locals with no formal carpentry training. Uses only purpose grown hardwoods. This rural employment creator and conservation conscious company manufactured all the furniture for Awelani Lodge

R26,000 - Madi a Thava

At this Soutpansberg Mountain Farm, Louis Trichardt, six Venda and Tsonga ladies made the bed throws and cushions for the lodge

R25,000 - Khoja's Textiles - Louis Trichardt

Supplied curtain material for Lodge curtains and blinds

R34,000 - Curtain makers - Mutele B village

A local couple manufactured the curtains for the lodge

R7,000 Crafters - Vhembe District

Supplied wall hangings for the main lodge building

R20,000 - Crafters - Various villages

Various local crafters and potters supply stock for sale to guests from the craft shop

Red Cedar, Wupperthal - amenities: Spend - R275,000

Starting at !Xaus Lodge, and now rolling out throughout the TFPD group of Lodges, are Red Cedar bathroom amenities: soap, shampoo, body wash and hand lotion. Red Cedar is a community-owned project in Wupperthal in the Cederberg Mountains. Their remote location presents a number of logistical challenges to operations, and TFPD have been working with the team to help them improve their delivery processes. Their 'rooibos' range of product is environmentally gentle, and luxurious to use. Initially used at !Xaus Lodge and Witsieshoek

in single-use packaging, as part of their Fair Trade Tourism journey TFPD are rolling out multi-use holders for bathrooms so that guests still have generous quantities to use, and plastic waste is minimized.