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Riverside Sun remains a firm favourite with business and leisure guests

Riverside Sun, Tsogo Sun's iconic landmark hotel in Vanderbijlpark, is a naturally beautiful venue spread out along the banks of the majestic Vaal River, with immaculate gardens and perfectly landscaped lawns sloping down to the water's edge. Conveniently located just 45 minutes from Johannesburg, the hustle and bustle of the nearby city feel distant and guests are able to fully experience the tranquil country atmosphere. A year ago the Riverside Sun opened its doors for business after the completion of extensive renovations, and have not looked back since!

"We are definitely delivering on our promise to guests, and loving every moment! The last year has shown that the hotel's versatile offering combined with convenience, professional service, comfort and beauty are the correct strategy to satisfy, and even enchant our guests," says Yashvir Jithoo, General Manager at the Riverside Sun. "The business has grown from strength to strength and the positive response from guests have been overwhelming. Our flexible venue and event offering complemented by professional and resourceful staff and service are very popular".

With something for everyone, the Riverside Sun has many facets and perform each to perfection, as proved by the recently awarded three-star grading received from the Tourism Grading Council of South Africa - the official globally recognised quality assurance ranking agency. "We are committed to the sustainability of the Tourism Industry in South Africa and are honoured that our commitment to delivering the highest quality in every sphere of our business has been recognised by the Council" says Mr Jithoo.

Well-known as the ideal *family holiday destination*, the hotel understands what younger guests need to enjoy their stay, and what parents need to relax. Kids are overjoyed at the various outdoor activities and structured kiddy programmes on offer, and usually develop a healthy appetite for the excellent buffet dining options, including homemade pizza.

The romantic at heart need not look for a more serene *getaway*. *At the Riverside Sun* it is easy to reconnect with your loved ones while strolling hand in hand through the beautifully manicured gardens, or enjoying the view of the river from a quaint garden bench under the

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luscious willow trees. Furthermore, the viewing deck is the perfect setting for romantic afternoon cocktails before enjoying a candle-lit dinner.

Looking forward to some *fun in the sun with friends*? Besides the various outdoor activities in the water and on the luscious lawns, guests can now enjoy a more personal experience on the river. The Riverside Sun's Liquid Lounge boat glides through the majestic Vaal River, whilst friends enjoy good conversation over cocktails, or even dinner.

The spectacular Wine Cellar at Riverside Sun will make you question all your preconceived ideas of the perfect venue for an *exclusive dinner* - be it for a birthday event, a client dinner or a wine tasting. Modelled on Gordon Ramsey's wine bar in London, the Riverside Sun Wine Cellar seats 40 people comfortably and will make you feel as if you were magically transported to the Cape Winelands. Underpinned by delicious cuisine and excellent wines, the Wine Cellar personifies 'Exclusive'.

The obvious solution to *special events* such as weddings, anniversary dinners and birthday celebrations, the Riverside Sun has many options to make your event memorable. Dining on the lawns under the stars, dancing with that special someone on the banks of the river or lounging on cushions in a Bedouin tent whilst enjoying a variety of delicious eats... the opportunities are endless.

Business and corporate guests are spoilt for choice at the Riverside Sun. Only a short drive from Johannesburg, the hotel provides business clients with the opportunity to host customer or team events in a country setting where they can focus and concentrate on the issues at hand. "With 11 conference venues and many team building activities on offer, the benefits of hosting a corporate event at Riverside Sun are endless. The combination of our unique offering – close to Johannesburg but experiencing the tranquil country atmosphere; our flexible business and leisure offering; and dedicated and professional service - guarantees all our guests a successful, enjoyable event," says Yashvir.

So, if versatility combined with convenience, professional service, comfort and beauty are the desired elements for your preferred venue – then you can relax, the Riverside Sun will deliver on your individual needs and will ensure you and your guests have a memorable experience.

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