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Isandlwana Lodge carved in the side of the **Nyoni Rock** just below where the Zulu commander stood during the Battle of Isandlwana on the 22nd January 1879.

They have 12 stylish bedrooms with en-suite and private balcony overlooking the panorama of the battlefield.

The Lodge offer guests Cultural Tours around the local village of Isandlwana and into the remote but stunningly beautiful area of **Qhudeni**.

## **ZULU VILLAGE CULTURAL TOUR** 2 to 3 hours

Rand 300 per group

Generally, a Zulu member of the Lodge staff takes the tour. The tour includes

Visit on of the local schools, seeing the students at work in their classrooms or performing song and dance routines that have been handed down to them by their parents and grandparents; each song or dance relates to events in history. Then a hunt or some event that was or is a part of the Zulu way of life.

Visit a family **Ikhaya** (home) where you will be greeted by members of the family and shown around their individual **Izindlu** (houses. The individual house is called "**Indlu**".

During the visit you may be given the opportunity to watch **Utshwala** (beer) being made from Amabele (Sorghum) or have the opportunity of tasting. Watch **Umbila** (Maize) **Ukudla** (food) being cooked known today as **Impuphu** (mielie-meal). There are rituals that should be observed when tasting the beer or food.

You will proceed on to meet a local **Sangoma** (diviner) who is trained in the art of amongst other things, how to determine ailments. He or she will then send the group on to an **Inyanga** (witch doctor) who diagnoses and produces the medicine or cure. The Sangoma can also foresee or predict events.

The revenue generated from these walks is give in part to village establishments who host our visitors and the Isandlwana Community Tribal Trust receives rand 50 of the fee each time the guests take this tour.