



Keep the memories, so you can stay inside the moment.

Raquel de Castro Maia

Your safari. Your people. Your story.

Tailored safari photography & film for families, groups and travel partners

Wildlife Photography | Guest Experience | Video | Drone | Photography Safaris on Request

Edited and delivered by download link.

An easy add-on to any itinerary.



The best moments of a journey rarely announce themselves. They arrive as a lion turning in the last light, a child's laughter across an open vehicle, a sky changing its mind.

But what stays with you is rarely the sighting alone. It's who you shared it with: the glance between friends, the hand reaching for yours, the quiet of a family watching the same horizon together.

These are the moments you travelled for, and they pass in seconds.

My job is to hold on to them, so you can simply be in them.



About Raquel de Castro Maia

Award-winning photographer | TEDx speaker | Working on safari since 2009

Raquel de Castro Maia is an award-winning conservation journalist, photographer and videographer, and a TEDx speaker. She has worked in the field since 2009, shooting photography, video and drone footage of wildlife, landscapes and the people who experience them for reserves, lodges, magazines and conservation organisations across South Africa. A professional wildlife photographer, she also shares her safari and photography knowledge with guests, in English and conversational Portuguese.

Why have someone document your experience?

You stay in the moment. No phones, no reaching for the camera, no missing the sighting because you were framing it.

You connect with your people. Your attention stays on the family, friends and travelling companions beside you.

You experience the place fully. The light, the sounds, the wildlife and the landscape, without a screen in between.

You get images and video worth keeping. Professional photographs and video, instead of a camera roll of near misses.

Everyone is in the picture. The person who usually takes the photos is finally in them.

You keep the memories. A lasting record of a trip that took months to plan and will be remembered for years.

What's included?

Professional photography of your experience

Video, including a short cinematic edit

Drone footage where the location allows

Formats to suit you: vertical, horizontal or both

All content edited and delivered via a download link

Optional extra: A custom, hand-designed coffee table book of your experience, a keepsake to share and display. Quoted separately.

Photography safaris

Guided photography safaris can be arranged for guests who want to sharpen their own wildlife photography, covering behaviour, light, settings and composition. Offered in English, with conversational Portuguese for Portuguese-speaking guests. Rates on request.

PORTFOLIO

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PROFESSIONAL EQUIPMENT

Nikon Z9 | Nikon lenses 50mm, 24-70mm, 14-24mm | Sigma Sports 150-600mm | DJI RS 4 Pro gimbal, as needed | DJI Osmo Pocket 3 | DJI Mavic 3 Pro drone

AWARDS

