

Mbombela Stadium Frequently asked questions

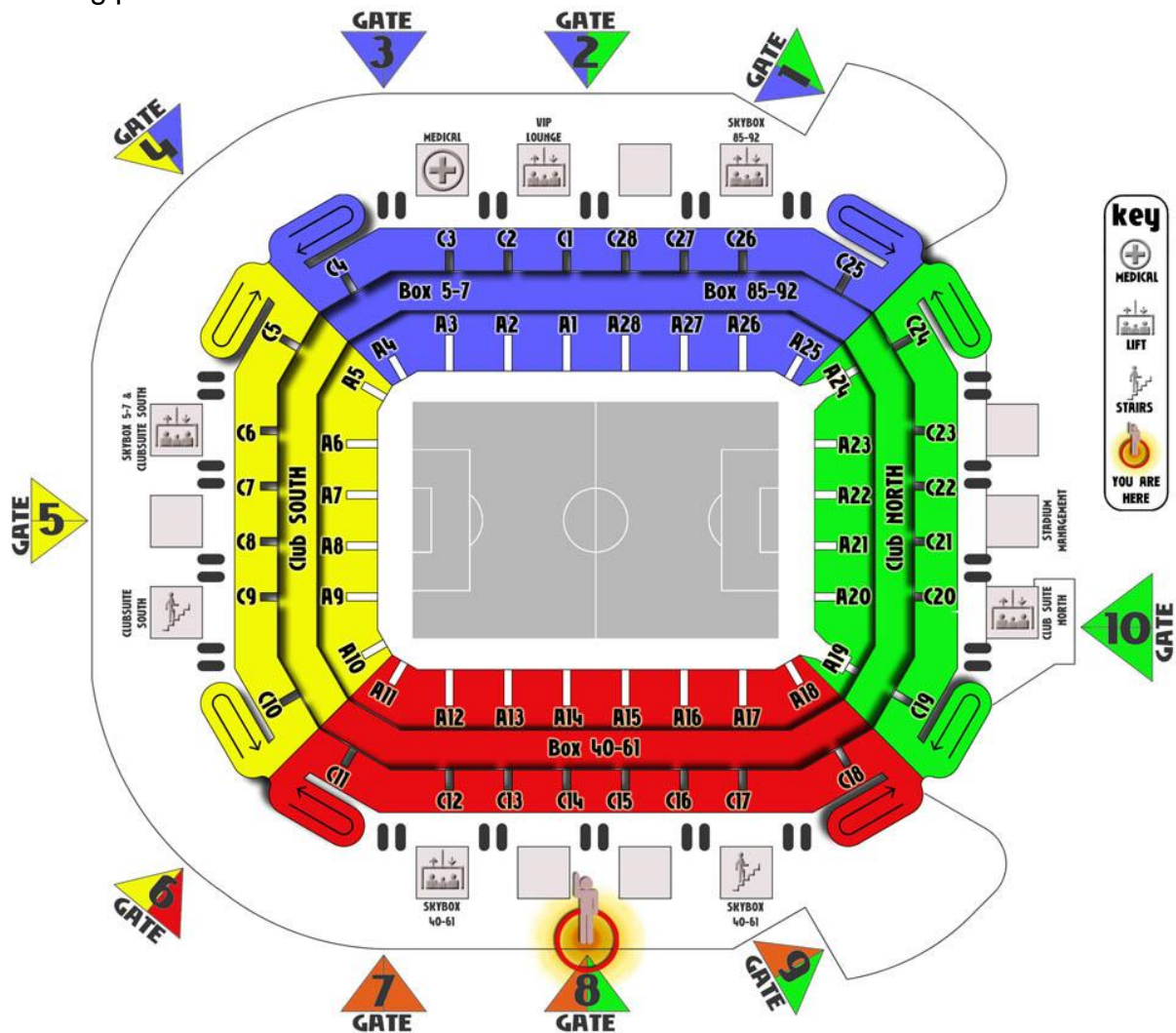
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Total number of seats?	43,500. 40,000 tickets are sold for World Cup (3,500 Media & VIP seats) 196 Wheelchairs spaces
Number of suites?	28 Skyboxes (900seats) 5 Club lounges (2,200seats)
Are there any removable seats?	No, the capacity will remain unchanged after the World Cup.
What is the total Project budget?	R1,070 million €104million
Pitch?	Grass surface for International Rugby and Soccer. 693m above sea level.
What is the function of the Giraffes?	The 18 giraffes are the signature feature of the stadium and are also the roof supports.
How many WC matches? Who will play at Mbombela?	Mbombela has been allocated 4 World Cup games. Honduras vs Chile 16 June. Italy vs New Zealand 20 June Australia vs Serbia 23 June. N. Korea vs Ivory Coast 25 June
Weather during world cup?	Daytime 23°C Evening 9°C Rain is unlikely.
Construction period?	Feb 2007 till Nov 2009
Seats under roof?	94% Mbombela along with Cape Town have the most seats under roof of all 2010 Stadia.
Does the roof close?	No, the pitch is uncovered.
Where does the funding come from?	95% from National Treasury via Dept. of Sport and 5% Provincial.
How many people worked on site?	1,400 peak totalling 5.5 million man-hours
Were there any serious injuries?	Mbombela was an extremely safe worksite. The most serious injury was a broken ankle. A record was set of 2.3 million continuous safe man-hours. A tower crane collapsed through the roof during a freak storm in Jan 2009. Thankfully no injuries resulted because the site was closed at the time.
Roof span?	36m Cantilever

Height of giraffe head?	48m Above ground
Height of roof above the pitch?	35m
How many rooms?	540
How many toilets?	1,030 (622 wc's & 408 urinals)
How much concrete was used?	45,000m ³
Roof structural steel weight?	1,450T
GPS co-ordinates	25°27'40"S 30°55'44"E
Notable features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Of the 5 new 2010 stadiums Mbombela is the only wholly South African designed. • Lowest per seat cost of any new WC Stadia. • Closest seats to the pitch of all the 10 WC Stadiums. • South African products were used as far as possible. For example the roof was 100% fabricated in South Africa. • The seats are patterned with zebra stripes. • "Africa's Wildest Stadium" • The Giraffe heads are large enough for a person to stand inside.

Seating plan



Cut-away section

