

Multi-purpose venue in pipeline for The Ridge

Tsogo Sun's The Ridge hotel in eMalahleni in Mpumalanga has announced its plans to build a new multi-purpose venue at an estimated cost of R25m. The new venue will be perfect for hosting large indoor events such as lifestyle shows, exhibitions, concerts, wedding receptions and gala banquets.



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"The new events venue has a unique value proposition. Part of The Ridge, which is close to the N4 highway and offers dining options, security, and proximity to two Southern Sun hotels, the venue is destined to become the preferred choice for events in this area," says Solly Mataboge, the director of operations and complex general manager at The Ridge.

The venue will boast a contemporary dome shape and will connect seamlessly with the casino complex, giving guests easy and convenient access to parking and other facilities. The venue replaces The Ridge Events Park, behind the cinemas, which has served the community for five years as a host for music festivals and community events.

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With two Southern Sun Hotels - the four star Southern Sun The Ridge and the StayEasy eMalahleni - within walking distance, guests attending shows, banquets and other events at the venue will have the choice, and convenience, to stay over instead taking the risk of driving home.

The StayEasy eMalahleni hotel offers budget accommodation, a breakfast room and other modern amenities. The Southern Sun The Ridge offers luxurious accommodation with 40 spacious rooms, a pool, dining room and all the modern comforts required by discerning travellers.

There is also great crossover with the casino which offers a choice of restaurants, 3D cinemas, and a first-class gaming experience with 450 slot machines in various denominations, 32 progressive jackpots and 18 tables. These include ten roulette, five blackjack and three poker tables.

Highveld Mall also links directly with The Ridge complex, offering visitors easy access to more than 100 stores, including restaurants and coffee shops, fashion stores, movies, jewellery stores, sporting equipment outlets, hair and beauty salons, stationary shops, book shops and other specialty stores.

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