



JNA

THATCHERS



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Who We Are:

Working in the time-honored tradition of the English and Dutch Master Thatchers, JNA Thatchers take pride in being professional “thatchers” and not merely packers of thatching materials. Over the years we have proven that quality will always be the foundation of everything we do.

Vision:

We strive to create a superior quality of life for our staff and clients by the creative utilization of resources.

What We Do:

Whether it is the concept development of a modern thatched building, staying true to the Old Cape Dutch design or maintenance on your thatched roof... we do it all!



Silverbay Villa



About Us:

The thatching industry is rich in history, craftsmanship and passion. At JNA Thatchers (previously known, for 37 years, as Lucas Quality Thatchers) we pride ourselves in our highly skilled team; our vast experience and absolute passion for the art of thatching.

Creating a stable environment for our employees since 1980, JNA Thatchers is recognized as a premier thatching company and is ranked amongst the top thatching companies in the world. For three decades; the JNA Thatchers family continuously pushed and strived for excellence. No client is too far, no challenge too big and no standard too high.

Over the years, our business has spread across the world, throughout our neighbouring countries and even as far as the Middle East and the Mediterranean.

We pride ourselves in staying true to our brand; delivering a high-quality product, at all times.

JNA Thatchers was one of the founding members of the South African Thatching Association - which was established in 2007. JNA Thatchers is also one of only two thatching companies certified by the South African Technical Auditing Service (SATAS).



Babylonstoren, Simondium



Leeu House

Our Services:

- General thatch consulting
- Thatch roof design & advice
- Free quotations and assessments
- Structural design by our in-house professional Structural and Civil Engineer
- Material sourcing and supply
- Professionally supervised carpenter and thatching teams
- Facilitate exclusive and competitive insurance rates
- After-sales service, maintenance and extended guarantees
- Rejuvenating existing roofs and advice on extending the life expectancy of a thatch roof
- Technologically advanced manual and automated drencher systems
- New closed construction methods enhancing the quality of a thatched roof



Devon Rise, Stellenbosch



Our Team:

JNA Thatchers creates a stable working environment for over 140 employees.

A substantial part of our workforce has built their entire career within the JNA Thatchers structure.

We believe in mutual respect and empowering each individual within the company structure to reach their full potential.

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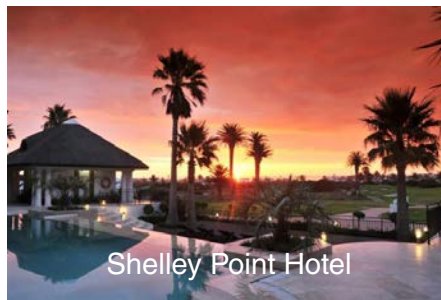
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Shelley Point Hotel



Garden Route Game Lodge



Buitepos Lodge



Norotshama Lodge



Oryx Lodge



JNA Thatchers' Latest Developments:

Closed Construction Thatching:

An older thatched roof could possibly cause challenges such as dust and sound penetration and leakage, new thatched owners are often concerned about the dangers of fire and the invasive process of maintenance.

JNA THATCHERS constantly strive to create new, innovative methods to counteract the above-mentioned challenges. Inspired by the European's technique, JNA THATCHERS started offering clients the Closed Construction method. This method entails a fire retardant, dust proof board in between the layers of thatch. Owners can thus enjoy all the perks of a thatched roof, but without the challenges of dust penetration, waterproofing or possible sound issues. Future maintenance can be done without invading the inside of the building and the fire protection of the roof is increased tremendously. We truly believe that this is the future of thatch!



Upgraded Automated Drencher System:

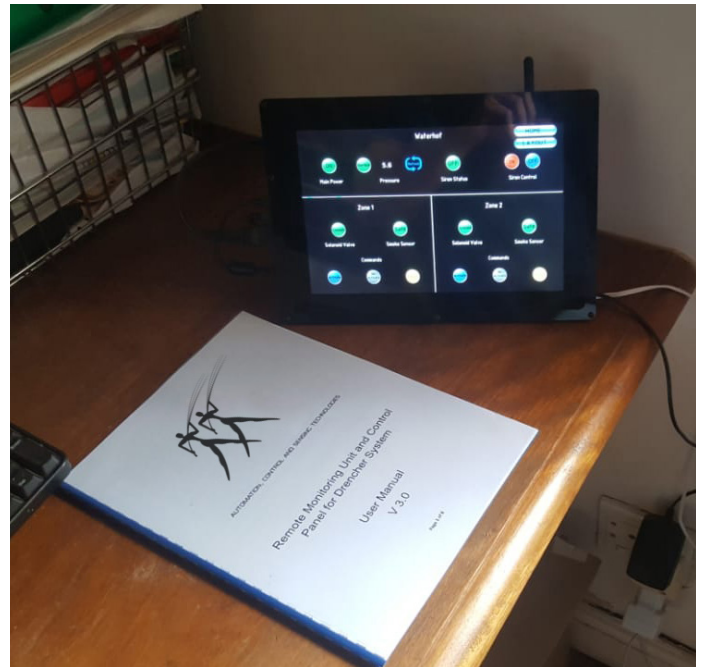
When it comes to fire protection, prevention is the main focus. We want to provide our clients with a system that can be used to assure the thatch is drenched prior to the fire reaching the premises. JNA THATCHERS' newest automated drencher system equips the client with the programming in order to activate and control the drencher system from anywhere around the world.

The Remote Monitoring Unit and Control Panel controls a Drencher System installed on a thatched roof and can control a maximum of four zones per unit. The Control Panel's main function is to monitor smoke sensors from each zone that are connected to the unit. Once smoke is detected, and the smoke sensors are activated the unit activates solenoid valves which in turn sprays water through nozzles located on the ridge onto the corresponding zone/s. A siren located at the unit is activated and a SMS or/and email is sent to a pre-programmed number or email address. There is a pressure sensor installed at the inlet of the solenoid valves which indicates if there is enough water pressure to supply the nozzles.

The Remote Monitoring Unit consists of a touchscreen computer that is used to monitor and control the Drencher system. The Remote Monitoring Unit communicates to the Control Panel using radio frequency (RF) technology.



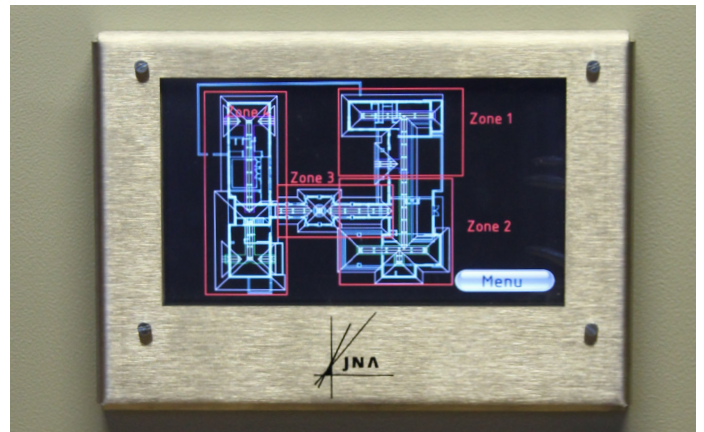
Commercial Wireless Control unit monitoring and managing multiple drencher units.



Residential Wireless Control unit monitoring and managing drencher system.



Cellular enabled drencher unit touch screen, showing zone status.



Cellular enabled drencher unit touch screen, showing zone layout.

Thatch Maintenance Timeline:

NEW THATCHED ROOF

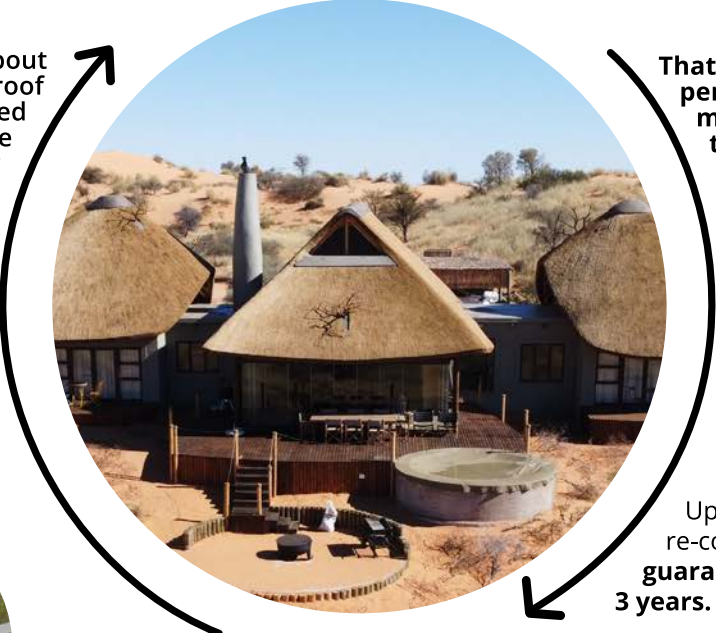
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RE-COMPACTION SERVICE

If you are uncertain about the state of your thatch roof and whether you need maintenance done, be sure to carefully choose your thatching advisor. We encourage our clients to be aware of the misconceptions sold to thatching clients. Rather trust the company that's been around for 40+ years. Trust JNA Thatchers.



Thatch contains a small percentage of moisture which makes it pliable enough to thatch with. After two summer seasons, the reed will lose its moisture, shrink and the binding material will come loose.



Upon completion of the re-compaction, our initial 2 year guarantee is extended for another 3 years.

overhaul service



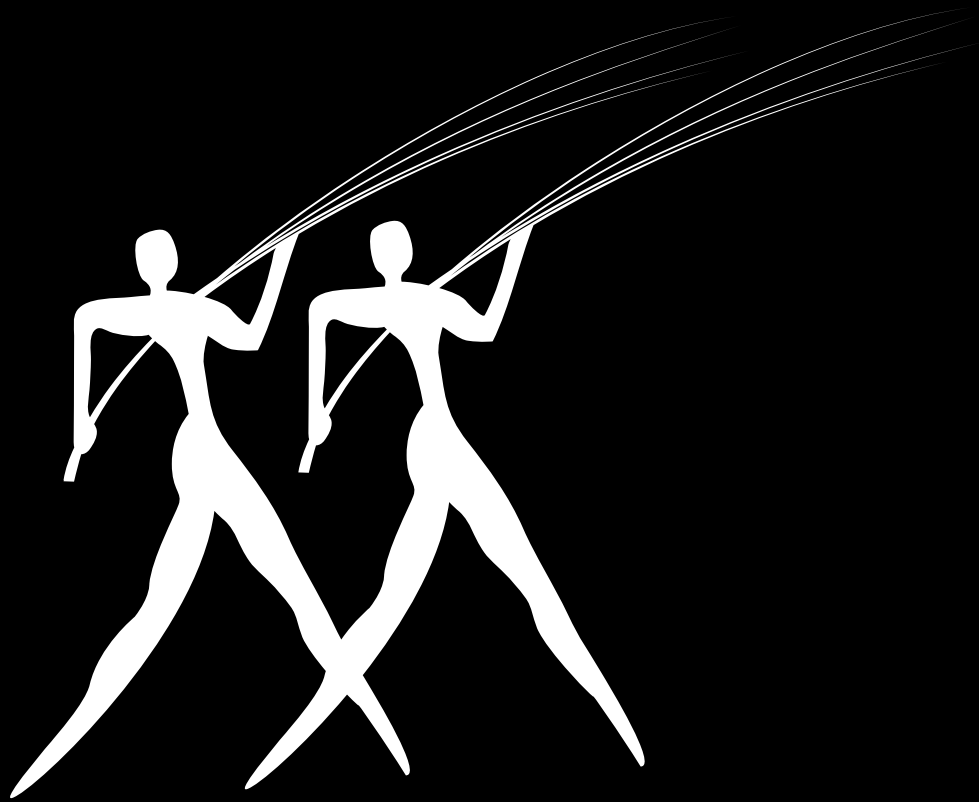
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MINOR MAINTENANCE REQUIRED

Those areas affected by the environmental factors would probably first be in need of an Overhaul Service similar to a re-compaction, but with the added feature that $\pm 100\text{mm}$ of the rotten ends are cut away. New reed is also added to re-densify the roof. After this service, the roof should have a uniform "yellow" look, similar to new thatch.

new uniform "yellow" thatch





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