



QUESTIONS & ANSWERS FOR BANDS  
WHO WANTS TO PLAY AT FORR 2012

## THE EVENT

Once again the little coastal village of Ponta Malongane will be host to the Fellowship of Rock & Roll's main festival from 6 to 9 September 2012. During the day people will be scuba diving, enjoying a scenic excursion on the ocean, exploring the area by 4x4, shebeen crawling or just chilling on the beach. In the afternoons and evenings bands will entertain the crowds.

More than 20 acts will perform during the festival with bands playing on Thursday, Friday & Saturday and the traditional shebeen gig on Sunday.

To travel to Moçambique for a festival takes commitment and generally we found that those attending FORR are true lovers of great music. For bands FORR not only provides bands with an opportunity to travel to beautiful Moçambique but also to showcase their music to people that really appreciate it.

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

### WHO SHOULD READ THIS DOCUMENT?

Bands managers/agents who wish to submit their bands for FORR 2012 should read this document. Once the band has been selected all band members should read this document.

### HOW DOES THE SELECTION CRITERIA WORK?

Selection for the festival is 100% based on live performances. The selection committee must be convinced that your band will entertain any crowd. The best way to get into the festival is to send us the detail requested in this document and then let us know when and where you are gigging.

### WE DON'T HAVE ANY GIGS PLANNED, HOW CAN WE BE HEARD?

Once again we will be hosting FORRTunes evenings where bands can showcase their talent and convince the selection committee that they should play at FORR 2012. At least 2 bands will be selected from the FORRTunes evenings to play at the main event. For more information or to book your spot at a FORRTunes evening please send a mail to [bands@forr.co.za](mailto:bands@forr.co.za)

### WHAT WILL FORR PROVIDE?

- Agreed upon appearance fee for the gig.
- Free accommodation in the band campsite from Wednesday to Sunday. You will have the option to extend your stay but you will need to pay standard Malongane rates for the extra days.
- Each band member will receive two (2) breakfasts and two (2) dinners during the festival. More breakfasts & dinners can be booked but will be for the bands own account.
- Border pickup for you and your equipment if own transport (4x4 vehicle) is not available.
- A PA system, backline, lighting rig and engineers will be provided.

### WHAT WILL THE BAND BE RESPONSIBLE FOR?

- Manage your booking on the FORR booking system and ensure that correct accommodation, border transfers and meals have been booked.
- Your transport to the Kosibay border post (+/- 650 km from JHB/PTA, 400km from Durban airport)
- The cost of parking your vehicle in the secure parking area at the border post unless you own an off-road vehicle you want to take to the resort (approximately R30 per day)

- Temporary import permit and 3<sup>rd</sup> party insurance if you are taking your off-road vehicle through the border post (currently R160 per vehicle, R80 per trailer)
- Accommodation for extra nights should you decide to arrive early or stay longer
- Additional accommodation cost should you select to upgrade your accommodation type
- Cost of Moçambique visa if you do not hold a South African or Moçambique passport
- All members must have a passport that is valid until 1 March 2013
- Any extra meals booked on the booking system
- Own refreshments
- Cost of scuba dives and other extra you opt to take.

## CAN THE BAND BRING GUESTS ALONG?

Each band member will receive a voucher to the value of R500 which can be redeemed against the booking of a guest. This effectively gives the guest the opportunity to attend the festival at cost. If a band member plays in more than one band, only one voucher will be issued to that member. Only one voucher can be used per guest.

## WHAT TYPE OF ACCOMMODATION WILL BE PROVIDED?

Bands and their guests will be required to camp in the band or general camping area. This means that you will need to bring your own tent, mattresses, sleeping bags and other camping equipment.

Bands flying in to Durban or JHB can apply to be hosted in pre-pitched tents. Only a limited number of these pre-pitched tents are available and will be allocated in the order the requests are received.

## CAN I UPGRADE MY ACCOMMODATION?

You can upgrade your accommodation if the accommodation you require is available. To ensure that the accommodation you require is available, you will need to request your upgrade before the bookings opens on 1 March. In this case the band members will be charged the Festival rates minus R750 for the accommodation.

## WHO QUALIFY FOR THE FREE ACCOMMODATION, FOOD & BORDER TRANSFERS?

Only band members qualify for the free accommodation, food & border transfers. Band members means artist performing on stage only and exclude managers, booking agents, roadies, husbands, wives, girlfriends, boyfriends or drivers.

## HOW WILL THE COST FOR GUESTS ACCOMMODATION AND EXTRAS BE SETTLED?

You can pay the extra cost directly into our bank account (details available from the booking system) or have it subtracted from your deposit and final payment. Extras not paid by the deposit date will be automatically subtracted from your deposit on the deposit date.

## WHEN WILL APPEARANCE FEE BE PAID?

A 50% deposit will be paid by 25 August or within 7 days of us receiving your signed contract if the contract was not received by 25 August. The final payment will be made not later than 17 September.

## HOW DO BORDER PICKUPS WORK?

If you do not have a vehicle that can negotiate the sandy roads from the border to Malongane, you will need to book a border pickup. There is safe parking at the border post available at approximately R30 per day. Border pickups must be pre-booked for a certain time & date on the FORR booking system. It is important that you plan your travel to be on time for the pickup you booked.

## CAN WE STAY OUTSIDE MALONGANE DURING THE FESTIVAL?

Should you decide that Malongane does not meet your requirements you can stay at accommodation outside Malongane under the following conditions:

- Any cost for the band's accommodation outside Malongane is for your own account
- You are responsible for your own transport from the border to your accommodation and from your accommodation to the venue
- You should be at Malongane at least 2 hours before your performance
- You should notify FORR of your intentions to stay outside Malongane and provide contact details for the band at their accommodation

## MUST THE BAND ATTEND THE ENTIRE FESTIVAL?

Yes you are required to attend the festival from at least Thursday to Sunday. This might sound silly, but once you have experience FORR you will understand. Playing at FORR is about the whole Moçambique experience. If you cannot be there from Thursday to Sunday because of some other responsibility, let's rather see if we can arrange a gig for next year. Also we want you to arrive at Malongane at least 24 hours prior to your gig. This implies that if you play on Thursday night you have to be at Malongane on Wednesday evening. Please ensure that you get to the border post before it closes. The border post opens at 8:00 and closes at 17:00.

## HOW MANY BANDS WILL PLAY?

### LAZY AFTERNOONS SESSIONS

The day's proceedings will kick off with some acoustic sets. We will create a minimum of 3 slots on Friday and 3 slots on Saturday. Musicians playing these slots will be carefully selected to back the vibe in the afternoons.

### MAIN STAGE

There will be a minimum of 4 on Thursday night, 5 on Friday night and 5 on Saturday night i.e. minimum 14 bands/acts in total. Please indicate on if you are available to play on Thursday night, i.e. you will arrive on Wednesday.

## CAN WE PLAY AT FORR & STRAB?

Yes you can. Having said that, we do not want to just repeat all the bands from STRAB at FORR, as it will reduce the value for the festival goers. Therefore if you play at STRAB your chances to play at FORR are drastically reduced.

## SO WHAT'S NEXT?

Should you wish to participate in FORR 2012 please email the following details to [bands@forr.co.za](mailto:bands@forr.co.za) or fax it to 086 542 9647:

- Band/act name
- Full band performance or acoustic?
- Names of band members
- Contact person and contact details (please provide an email address if you have one)
- Home town
- Your proposed appearance fee for the event
- Can you arrive on Wednesday in order to play on Thursday?
- Upcoming gigs if you think that we might not have seen you perform live before.

- Confirmation that you have read & understood this document.

***Please submit your proposal to us as soon as possible.***

## WHAT HAPPENS IF WE GET SELECTED FOR FORR 2012

If we accept your proposal to play at FORR 2012, a contract will be signed between the band and FORR to formalise our arrangement.

## NEED MORE INFORMATION?

If you have any queries please feel free to contact Frans on +27-82-926-3602 or [frans@forr.co.za](mailto:frans@forr.co.za).

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