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The Best of South Africa



the more common families of birds in no time at all. Look out for the abundant animal life such as black rhino, nyala, kudu, hippo, crocodile, waterbuck, reedbuck, red duiker, baboons, monkeys, hyena, wildebeest, giraffe and often to be seen elephant and buffalo. You may also see lion, cheetah, wild dog and other predators. (Overnight at Lodge in Hluhluwe) **(Dinner,bed and breakfast)**

Day 8 - Thursday September 1st
You will visit numerous eco/cultural activities available in the area. An highlight of today includes canoeing at a lake with a local guide with hippos and abundant birdlife nearby. Visit the ancient World Heritage Site at False Bay, the largest estuarine system formed in Africa formed 140 million years ago. Other attractions include Ilala Weavers with its restaurant where you will enjoy lunch and curio shops featuring traditional Zulu basket weaving and beading. Today's adventures include a visit to Dumazulu Traditional Zulu Village where you will learn of the African Zulu Tribe as you visit its cultural village. Be spellbound by the energetic Zulu Dancing with its awesome rhythm of drumbeats and African dancing!(Overnight at Lodge in Hluhluwe) **(Dinner,bed and breakfast)**

Day 9 - Friday 2nd
Today we embark on an up close and personal tour of an local Cat Rehabilitation Centre. Join us for an up close and personal tour and learn more about South Africa's endangered wild cat species. Come and be mesmerized by the beauty of the Caracal (Lynx), enchanted by the playful Serval, astonished by the speed and agility of the Cheetah and delighted by the African Wildcat. View and photograph these amazing animals at the Emdoneni Cat Rehabilitation Centre. Educational tours are daily, with feedings during the afternoon tour and an informative talk about the animals and the project by an experienced guide. The aim of this sanctuary is to care for wild Cheetahs, Serval Cats, African Wildcats and Caracal (Lynx), which have been orphaned or injured in the wild and are in need of care and rehabilitation. This sanctuary breeds where possible and release the offspring back into their natural habitat. We visit St Lucia, a picture some village situated within a nature reserve and which is surrounded by 5 distinct ecosystems and ISimangaliso Wetland Park. St Lucia offers the day visitor an endless wealth of possibilities with its shops, curio and African flea markets, pubs, restaurants, boat trips, crocodile farms and a lovely interpretation centre explaining the ecology of the World Natural Heritage Site. You can easily spot hippos and crocs from various shorelines in St Lucia and during an optional extra two hour boat ride on the estuary.(Overnight St Lucia). **(Breakfast)**

Day 10 - Saturday 3rd
Head to Durban Durban City Tour, Apartheid Museum, Golden Mile, Moses Matibla Stadium with its Cable Car and Skywalk, Ushakamarine World, Bat Centre with World Renowned African Artists, Hundi Temples.(Overnight stay at Makaranga Lodge with its stunning gardens, sculptures and rock pools and unique experience on its own.) **(Breakfast)**

Day 11 - Sunday 4th
Head to Durban Airport and onward to Port Elizabeth. We drive down to Knysna soaking up the awesome views. We head down to The Knysna Waterfront where you will be at leisure to explore the many delights this has to offer. We will also enjoy a sunset cruise on board The Knysna Charter taking in the spectacular scenery of the Knysna Heads.(Overnight Hotel Knysna Waterfront) or guest house close by) **(Breakfast)**

Day 12 - Monday 5th
Travel towards Oudshoorn- head out on the N2 towards George. We will cross the Mighty Outeniquas into the Little Karoo. First stop is at the Cango Caves, one of the best known natural wonders of South Africa. After we have discovered the secrets of these beautiful limestone caves. We visit a Ostrich Show Farm which are not only interesting but also great fun. Visitors are allowed to sit or ride on birds (weight limit 75kg) Cango Ostrich Show Farm is located in the lush Cango Valley, Schoemanshoek, 14km outside of Oudtshoorn on the main route towards the world famous Cango Caves, making it easy to find and making your trip more time efficient.(Overnight in

Oudshoorn). **(Breakfast)**
Day 13 - Tuesday 6th
Today we travel through The Klein Karoo towards Cape town. The Klein Karoo (Little Karoo) is situated between majestic mountains to the south and north. Cape Route 62 is the tourist route in the Western Cape and Eastern Cape, South Africa, that meanders between Cape Town and Oudtshoorn, the Langkloof and Port Elizabeth, offering the shorter, scenic alternative to the N2 highway. The ever changing colours of the majestic mountains, scenic passes, rivers, vineyards and orchards, as well as the multitude of attractions, will offer you an unforgettable adventure.

Our drive includes The Robertson Wine Valley which joins up with route 62 making it one of the longest wine routes in the world producing award winning wines. We also pass through and stop at Worcester whose winemaking tradition dates back more than 250 years tradition making this town a worthwhile stop over. Brandy tasting is enjoyed at KWV Brandy Distillery.

In the late afternoon we will arrive at Cape town Waterfront where you will be staying for the next 3 nights Cape Town's V&A Waterfront. Cape Town's premier shopping and entertainment complex –Overnight V and A Waterfront One of Cape Town's biggest tourist attractions, the Waterfront evokes images of the early activities of the harbour. Much of its charm lies in the fact that this busy commercial harbour is set in the midst of a huge entertainment venue with pubs, restaurants, speciality shops, craft markets, theatres and movies. Attractions also include seal watching ,Maritime Museum and Two Oceans Aquarium. **(Breakfast)**

Day 14 - Wednesday 7th
Today we visit Robben Island For nearly 400 years, Robben Island, 12 kilometers from Cape Town, was a place of banishment, exile, isolation and imprisonment. It was here at Robben Island that rulers sent those regarded as political troublemakers, social outcasts and the unwanted of society. South Africa's first democratic President, Nelson Mandela and the founding leader of the Pan Africanist Congress, Robert Mangaliso Sobukwe, were all imprisoned on Robben Island. Today, however, Robben Island also tells us about victory over Apartheid After lunch at the waterfront we head for Table Mountain and The Cable Car to the top of the mountain with its stunning views. Late afternoon and evening at your own leisure. **(Breakfast)**

Day 15 - Thursday 8th
Drive to Cape Point and Cape of Good Hope stopping at Hout Bay and driving through Simons Town where you will enjoy the The Penguin Colony. We pass along the Chapman's Peak Route. Chapman's Peak stands imposingly at the heart of Chapman's Peak Drive, connecting Hout Bay with Noordhoek along one of the most dramatic marine routes in the world. There are a number of rest areas en route where one can simply stop and drink in the views. We drive through The Cape of Good Hope to The Cape Point where we visit The lighthouse which is the most powerful on the South African coast. We lunch at Two Oceans Restaurant: From Two Oceans Restaurant you'll take in sweeping views of False Bay, way below. The restaurant, perched high above the crashing waves, has been designed to ensure that all guests can enjoy the incredible vistas.

We will also visit the Buffelsfontein Visitors Centre where you can see a wealth of artifact displays, and audiovisual presentations that will keep you spellbound. Well researched and beautifully laid out information material will interpret all aspects of the area's natural and cultural heritage. Late Afternoon we make our way back to Cape town (Overnight V and A Waterfront) **(Farewell Dinner and Breakfast)**

Day 16 - Friday 9th
Day at leisure at V and A Waterfront and transfer to airport for return flight

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Kruger National Park
- Swaziland and the ancient rhythms of Africa
- Hluhluwe National Park
- St Lucia
- Durban
- Garden Route and Knysna
- Oudsshoorn and the Klein Karoo
- Robertson Valley Wine District
- Robbin Island Prison
- Table Mountain
- Cape of Good Hope
- Cape Town's V and A Waterfront

TOUR PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 nights accommodation
- Coach transport and tours as listed
- Meals as listed in the itinerary
- Safari Drives and entrance fees as listed
- Arrival & Departure Transfers
- Travel Insurance*

TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDES

- Items of a personal nature (eg. Laundry, Beverages etc)
- Air & Air Taxes

TOUR PRICE

Ex Johannesburg \$4850.00 per person twin share



Immerse yourself in the best of Africa's wildlife, coastline, wine and cities as we travel from Kruger to Capetown.

ITINERARY

Day 1 - Thursday August 25th

Board your aircraft for your flight to South Africa

Day 2 - Friday 26th

A warm welcome awaits at Johannesburg Airport and guests are transferred to Hotel. Afternoon at leisure. (Overnight in Hotel Johannesburg) **(Welcome Dinner -and breakfast)**

Day 3 - Saturday 27th

After a well deserved rest and breakfast we head out for the great African Adventure to the Limpopo Region and Kruger National Park. We stop at Dulles room, a quaint village world famous for its trout fishing. Dulles room's village and farm environment offers the ideal opportunity for day visitors enjoy its beautiful natural surroundings, shops and restaurants such as The Flying Dutchman Restaurant and Pub which has great appeal, warmly lit, cozy decor, a stunning wooden bar and a crackling fire in winter.

We drive on through beautiful scenery to your Country and Safari Lodge 10 minutes from Kruger National Park where we will stay for the next two nights. Today's adventures include the Elephant Interaction and Ride. Experience the thrill of being close to these magnificent creatures and witness their intelligence, their compassionate nature and sheer delight interacting with their human counterparts. The interaction with the elephant offers you the opportunity to touch the elephant, exchange trunk greetings and offer tasty treats. Experienced elephant handlers share their in-depth knowledge of fascinating elephant behavior. In addition to interacting with the elephants as outlined above, embark on a short ride. Saddle-up and enjoy a different perspective, historically a privilege only reserved for kings. (Overnight at Country and Safari Lodge) **(Breakfast)**

Day 4 - Sunday 28th

Today you will enjoy a half day open vehicle safari to Kruger National Park with personal Game Ranger. Kruger National Park is the worlds largest and most famous Big 5 Game Reserve. Kruger National Park is a 10 minute drive from Country Lodge. It covers 18,989 square kilometers (7,332 sq mi) and extends 350 kilometers (220 mi) from north to south and 60 kilometers (37 mi) from east to west. You will return late afternoon to your lodge to relax and enjoy sundowners around the swimming pool or your private deck. Dinner is an dining experience with the Shangaan River Club incorporating a Shangaan cultural evening with food, song and fun under the African stars presented by locals and their chief. (Overnight at Country and Safari Lodge) **(Breakfast)**

Day 5 - Monday 29th

We head for Swaziland to discover ancient rhythms of Africa with majestic Kingdoms and scenic landscapes. Visiting Swaziland is a rewarding experience on so many levels; this tiny country – the smallest on the continent of Africa – is steeped in history, has strong traditions and a unique and vibrant culture, bringing with it a distinctive African ambience. We make our way to Ezulwini Valley with its many delights. Overnight stay Guesthouse **(Dinner,bed and Breakfast)**

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Milwane is a short drive from Mbabane in the Ezulwini Valley or "Valley of Heaven". You'll soon see why the valley has been given this name, the sweeping views as far as the Lebombo Mountains on the border of Mozambique are quite spectacular.

We also visit to a candle factory. -Malkerns valley is a candle factory with handcrafted candles shaped from rhinos to geometric designs, while House on Fire is a community craft by day and entertainment centre at night with performers and activities like drum circle sessions, swirling poi, music by the bar and secret seats to look up at the clear stars by candlelight. In the afternoon we head for Hluhluwe and The Elephant Coast to your lodge where you will be staying for the next three nights. (Overnight at Lodge in Hluhluwe) **(Dinner ,bed and Breakfast)**

Day 7 - Wednesday 31st

Half day game open vehicle game drive Hluhluwe Game Reserve with your personal game ranger. These are the days we introduce you to the magical experience of Zululand and Hluhluwe Game Reserve and its magnificent 100000 hectares of Africa. You will be sure to spot elephant, buffalo, giraffe, warthog, zebra, impala and wildebeest and many other species during your safaris to this park. The park is also

home animals such as Lion, Leopard and Wild Dog. Enjoy a peaceful and safe ambience with Africa and its wildlife with your experienced Game Ranger and your host. We embark on leisurely extended game drives to all areas of the Park. There is much to explore! Your experienced ranger will help you spot and identify many species of bird and animal life. (The Elephant Coast has more than 500 species of birdlife recorded). With a little assistance most people will be able to distinguish



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