



South Africa Odyssey - From Johannesburg (Sunday departures)

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Visit: Johannesburg - Mpumalanga - Kruger National Park - Mpumalanga - Eswatini - Zululand - Umhlanga - Port Elizabeth - Knysna - Oudtshoorn - Cape Town

Escorted Experience

- Fixed Dates
- Modern Airconditioned Vehicle
- First Class Hotels

Tour Vehicle

Multi Seater AC van



Detailed Itinerary

Day 01: Day 1, Sunday - Johannesburg

Guests arriving at Johannesburg OR Tambo International Airport will be met by a representative and transferred to their hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure. (unescorted). Overnight in Johannesburg.

Day 02: Day 2, Monday - Johannesburg - Mpumalanga

Departure from Johannesburg, travelling to Pretoria. Arrive in Pretoria, short orientation tour around the Union Buildings, to view the statue of Nelson Mandela. Depart Pretoria and travel to Dullstroom. Arrive in Dullstroom for lunch (for own account). Depart Dullstroom and travel via Lydenburg, Long Tom Pass to Sabie. Continue to your hotel in Hazy view for overnight. Breakfast included.

Day 03: Day 3, Tuesday - Mpumalanga

An early departure from your hotel, travelling towards the famous Blyde River (Happy River) Canyon for a scenic stop. Arrive at the Three Rondawels - South Africa's 2nd most photographed natural phenomenon after Table Mountain. Depart for Bourke's Luck Potholes. Arrive at Bourke's Luck Potholes for a scenic stop. Depart Bourke's Luck Potholes for God's Window, travelling through Eucalyptus and Pine plantations. Arrive at God's Window for a view of the edge of the escarpment taking in the Kruger National Park and the huge plantations of the so-called Lowveld. Depart God's Window and travel to Graskop. Arrive in Graskop for a lunch stop (lunch for own account) Depart Graskop and return to your hotel in Hazyview. Arrive in Hazyview for your overnight stay. Breakfast included.

Day 04: Day 4, Wednesday - Mpumalanga - Kruger National Park

This morning guests are met at the Hotel for an open vehicle game drive in the Kruger National Park. In this world-famous reserve, we should encounter the full spectrum of wildlife - from the "Big Five" to insects and sunbirds. There is a stop to enjoy a packed breakfast. Remainder of the morning is spent searching for the "Big Five". The game drive concludes with a visit to the KNP AntiPoaching Dog Unit. Arrive back at your hotel in time for lunch - optional and for own account. Remainder of afternoon at leisure or take an open vehicle game drive (for guest own account & subject to availability). Overnight in Hazyview. Breakfast included.

Day 05: Day 5, Thursday - Mpumalanga – Eswatini (Swaziland)

After an early breakfast, we depart Hazyview and enter the Kingdom of Eswatini (Swaziland) and travel through beautiful countryside (plantations). Stop at Komati valley look-out point for scenic photo opportunity. Depart and travel along hilly road to a Cultural Village. Visit Matsamo Cultural Village for a



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tour and lunch. Depart Matsamo Cultural Village and travel to the Ngwenya glass factory. There is time to explore the factory through the viewing deck where you can watch the local craftsmen at work. There is also a shop where you can buy various products. Depart glass factory for your hotel. Arrive in the beautiful Ezulwini Valley and check in to your hotel. Dinner at your hotel. Overnight in Eswatini (Swaziland). Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included.

Day 06: Day 6, Friday - Eswatini (Swaziland) - Zululand

After breakfast we depart the Hotel and travel southwards towards the border. Visit the Candle Centre and Market en route. Enter northern Zululand. Arrive at your hotel with the opportunity to have lunch (for own account). Remainder of the afternoon is at leisure or alternatively enjoy an optional (for own account) afternoon game drive in the Hluhluwe-Umfolozi Game Reserve. Overnight in the Greater Hluhluwe-Umfolozi Region. Breakfast included.

Day 07: Day 7, Saturday - Zululand - Umhlanga

After breakfast, travel to Lake St Lucia for a 2hr boat cruise (dependent on favorable weather conditions) After the cruise on Lake St Lucia, depart for Durban. En route we pass traditional Zulu kraals, Eucalyptus plantations and sugar cane fields. Arrive in Durban (Umhlanga) and check into your hotel. The rest of the afternoon and evening is at leisure. Overnight in Durban (Umhlanga). Breakfast included.

Day 08: Day 8 Sunday - Umhlanga - Port Elizabeth - Knysna

You are transferred from your hotel to King Shaka International airport for your flight to Port Elizabeth. Once everyone has arrived, head westwards towards the Tsitsikamma Mountains and indigenous forests. Arrive at Storms River Mouth for lunch (lunch is for own account) Drive through Tsitsikamma Forest. Continue and stop at Blaauwkrans Bridge viewpoint to watch the Bungi jumping. Depart Blaauwkrans Bridge and continue to Knysna. Arrive in Knysna, check into your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure to explore the area. Overnight in Knysna. Breakfast included.

Day 09: Day 9 Monday - Knysna

After breakfast depart to enjoy a cruise and walk. Board Ferry for cruise to the Featherbed Nature Reserve and enjoy a trailer ride to the top of the Western Head, returning for lunch (included). Vehicle to collect guests and transfer to hotel for your overnight stay. The rest of the day is at leisure. Overnight in Knysna. Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included.

Day 10: Day 10 Tuesday - Knysna - Oudtshoorn

Depart for Oudtshoorn (via the Outeniqua Pass) with a photo stop at Dolphin Point. Visit an Ostrich Farm for a tour & light lunch and a visit to the curio shop. Depart the Ostrich farm for the Cango Caves for a tour,



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exploring the vast limestone caverns known as the Cango Caves. Depart the Cango Caves for your hotel in Oudtshoorn. Arrive at your hotel. Check in. Overnight in Oudtshoorn. Breakfast and Lunch included.

Day 11: Day 11 Wednesday - Oudtshoorn - Cape Town

Early morning Meerkat Safari (optional, for own account & weather permitting). Return to hotel for breakfast. After breakfast travel through the 'Little Karoo' towards Cape Town via Ladismith and the Huisrivier Pass, stopping briefly at a viewpoint on the pass. Arrive at Ladismith for a refreshment stop before departing for Montagu via Barrydale. Community visit to farm school (if open) in Barrydale area. Continue to Montagu. Arrive Montagu in time for lunch (optional & for own account) Depart Montagu and continue to Cape Town via Worcester. Arrive in Worcester for a quick comfort stop before continuing to Cape Town via the Du Toit's Kloof Pass. Time permitting; there is a stop at a viewpoint on the pass. Arrive in Cape Town for overnight. ENHANCE YOUR TOUR: FRANSCCHOEK WINELANDS OPTION Option to experience an overnight in Franschhoek at an additional cost, re-joining the tour on Day 12 in Cape Town. The tour will travel via Franschhoek if there are guests booked on the Franschhoek Winelands Option. Connect with GGTS for further in

Day 12: Day 12 Thursday - Cape Town (Unescorted)

Enjoy a full day at leisure. Perhaps join an optional day tour (for own account). Transfer from hotel to Gold Restaurant for dinner. Overnight in Cape Town. Breakfast and Dinner included.

Day 13: Day 13 Friday - Cape Town

Enjoy a full day tour of the Cape Peninsula. Drive through Hout Bay (optional and for own account seal island cruise – weather permitting), via Chapman's Peak (if open), to Cape Point. Return to Cape Town via Simon's Town and a visit the Penguin Colony at Boulders Beach (entrance fee for own account). Overnight in Cape Town. Breakfast included.

Day 14: Day 14 Saturday - Departure Day

Departure day. Guests will be transferred to the airport, harbour or railway station for their onward journey. Breakfast included.

Inclusion

- 13 Breakfasts
- 3 Lunches
- 3 Dinners
- Accommodation
- Transport
- Porterage at hotels
- Sightseeing as specified



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Exclusion

•Flight and departure tax between Durban and Port Elizabeth

Please book DUR/PLZ flight to depart Durban before 09h00. Tour departs Port Elizabeth between 10h00-10h30.

- •Check visa requirements for Eswatini (Swaziland).
- •International airfares
- Optional activities
- •Other meals, drinks, tips and other personal expenses or services not specified on the program
- Personal equipment
- Travel insurance
- Gratuities
- •Voluntary tips for guides or drivers
- •Travel and medical insurance
- •Any items not mentioned as included

Note

Departure Day - Sunday, selected departure dates

All departures in English with German only commentary on selected departures

Passports are necessary at the border post.

Certain Nationalities require visas and have to be obtained before travel - pax to check with their travel agents

PICK UP SERVICE - From Sandton area hotels, others on request

Optional Day Tours are available to be pre-booked & cost is available on request

Note- Flight Durban to Port Elizabeth is excluded from the tour price. Please book DUR/PLZ flight to depart Durban before 09h00.

Tour departs Port Elizabeth between 10h00-10h30

Hotel Details-

Protea Hotel Balalaika or similar Perry's Bridge Hollow or similar The Royal Villas or similar Anew Hotel Hluhluwe or similar Protea Hotel Umhlanga or similar Rex Hotel or similar Hlangana Lodge or similar President Hotel or similar

Tour Dates & Pricing