



St Lucia, iSimangaliso Wetland Park, Hluhluw/ iMfolozi Game Reserve

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Visit: St Lucia, iSimangaliso Wetland Park, Hluhluw/ iMfolozi Game Reserve

Escorted Experience

- Fixed Dates
- Modern Airconditioned Vehicle
- First Class Hotels

Tour Vehicle

Multi Seater AC van

Tour Guide

Driver Cum Guide

Detailed Itinerary

Day 01: DAY 1: Arrival in ST Lucia

Arrival into Richards Bay Airport, meet your English Speaking Driver and transfer to your hotel in St Lucia .Rest of the day at leisure If you are feeling up for it, enjoy a Night Drive Safari in the iSimangaliso Wetlands Park iSimangaliso Wetland Park is officially the first world heritage site in South Africa. This place of wonder is situated on the north coast of KwaZulu Natal and stretches from the small village of St Lucia in the South to the border of Mozambique in the North. A night drive experience cannot be explained, as the experience is completely different from a day safari a whole new world of Animal species (Nocturnal) await you, see how the guides find the smallest of creatures especially Chameleons or the elusive Leopard, Giraffe, Buffalo, Elephants, Hippos grazing.. Advantage of a night drive is that they provide access to nocturnal species that are rarely seen during the day, such as Hippo, Bush Babies, Chameleons, Aardvarks and Leopard are also more active after dark, and there is a greater probability of seeing them hunt at night. We travel in an exclusive concession-ed area, your knowledgeable guide explains animal movements by night, star constellations and of course enjoy magnificent sightings while on this safari. Overnight stay

Day 02: DAY 2: ST Lucia

Hluhluwe / iMfolozi Game Drive – Shared 05:00 Meet your Ranger and depart for a game drive in the Hluhluwe/Imfolozi Game drive Hluhluwe- Imfolozi Game Reserve is one of the oldest and best reserves in South Africa and famous for saving the endangered Black Rhino The Hluhluwe-iMfolozi Park lies in the heart of “old Zululand” and is rich in history dating back to the early Iron Age and the hey-day of the Zulu Kingdom of King Shaka. The Park contains many historic sites. This fascinating game reserve covers 96 000 ha and is comprised of the Hluhluwe and iMfolozi Game Reserves. The Corridor Game Reserve, established in 1989, links the two older parks. This Park is home to the Big 5: lion, Leopard, Elephant, Buffalo and Rhino, as well as a host of other animals. Great game and bird viewing potential and spectacular scenery make for a great safari. 6:00 Aboard our Open Game Drive Vehicle and you are off to go in search of the Big 5, Cheetah and Wild Dog to name but just a few of the incredible species found within the reserve. 8:00 am Breakfast and piping hot Coffee 12:00/13:00 Lunch (traditional South African barbecue) 14:30 pm We start heading back to the gate With memory cards full and friendships built we drop you off at the gate or transfer you back to St Lucia. Overnight stay

Day 03: DAY 3: ST Lucia

After breakfast at the hotel .Meet your English Speaking Guide and transfer 4km just outside St Lucia to a local Zulu Village where you will enjoy and experience the local Zulu Culture shared. Zulu Cultural Dancing, folk stories and bead making are but just a few of the other exciting experiences that you will enjoy You will also see how the Zulu's build their traditional Rondavels and learn why this style of homestead is still in use today. The location gives you the opportunity to study the customs and rites of traditional Zulu

life, from the lobola (brides price) to the fortune tellings and magic of the Sangoma (traditional healer). Get the opportunity to see the creation of the amazing Zulu handicrafts, Boy in traditional Zulu warrior outfit like their beadwork, grass baskets, mats, walking sticks and much more. Of course you will also get the chance to experience the life of the modern Zulus. Lunch in St Lucia (on own account). Later in the Afternoon enjoy a Boat Cruise on the St Lucia Estuary shared. St Lucia Estuary is a place of beauty with many attractions and animal wildlife. The estuary is 85km long and 22km at the widest area, making one of Africa's largest estuary and an ecological wonder teeming with life. The rich fauna and flora add to the experience of the area with mesmerizing views and unique interactions with the wildlife. The St Lucia Estuary is home to 800 hippopotamuses and 1200 Nile Crocodile, not forgetting over 520 bird species, from the iconic Fish Eagle to the Kingfisher adding the ambiance of the African experience. This is A bird lovers paradise and only 54km away lies the Mkuze game reserve which is known to be South Africa's best bird-watching havens. St Lucia Estuary goes up towards an area called Charters Creek, This area previously almost dry due to drought that hit the estuary for almost 2 years, it has now been rehabilitated by the Umfolozi River, causing the water levels to rise to lead into St Lucia Estuary and once again offers spectacular sightings of Flamingos and other species of birdlife Depart from the jetties heading into St Lucia Estuary and up to iSimangaliso Wetland Park Close encounters with hippo and crocodiles are the main attraction of this tour. Knowledgeable guides provide commentary on the workings of Africa's largest estuarine system. A wide variety of bird life including fish eagles, kingfishers and herons are normally spotted on the tour. Overnight stay

Day 04: DAY 4: ST Lucia

Full Day iSimangaliso Wetland Park Open Game Drive Safari 08:00 Meet your English Speaking Guide and enjoy a game drive in the iSimangaliso Wetland Park iSimangaliso Wetland Park is officially the first world heritage site in South Africa. This place of wonder is situated on the north coast of KwaZulu Natal and stretches from the small village of St Lucia in the South to the border of Mozambique in the North. The area is enormous however offers incredible biodiversity from area to area. The South (St Lucia) offers a good base from where to explore as one may encounter Hippos wandering the streets at night in the residential area to the odd Leopard that frequents the area as well. St Lucia is truly a wildlife paradise with numerous species found both within and bordering the town The Tour includes game viewing en route to Cape Vidal a protected bay where one has the opportunity of enjoying some magnificent snorkelling. (weather & tide dependant) The bay offers some exquisite fish species. En route you will enjoy numerous wildlife species and may even include species such as Leopard, Buffalo, Rhino, Kudu, Water Buck and much more, this diverse landscape includes the second-highest vegetated sand dunes in the world, mangroves, forest, and open grassland. Sit back relax while your ranger shows you the true beauty that this very first World Heritage Site has to offer. From loop roads, hides to lookout points. It's truly an incredible destination and magical scenery. From the entrance to Cape-Vidal Bay is approx 28 km once at Cape Vidal you will have an opportunity to enjoy some snorkeling or for those wanting to just enjoy the warm sun why not relax on the untouched beach. Lunch is included (Picnic Lunch). Post lunch we travel back towards St Lucia, once again

you will have an opportunity to witness some more incredible wildlife. Keep an eye out for those Leopards!.

Overnight stay

Day 05: DAY 5: Departure St Lucia

After Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to Richards Bay Airport for your onward flight services

Inclusion

Accommodation as specified in itinerary Meals as specified in itinerary Transfers as specified in itinerary English Speaking Driver as specified in itinerary English Speaking Guide as specified in itinerary Services of an experienced English-speaking driver-guide All entrance fees and guided excursions as described in itinerary All park fees 1 litre bottled water per person per day Hluhluwe / iMfolozi Game Drive Full Day Zulu Villa & St Lucia Boat Cruise Isimangaliso Wetland Park Full Day Tour

Exclusion

International Flights and Airport Taxes Visa Fees (if applicable) Medical & Travel Insurance Incidental tips to hotel/lodge staff Gratuity to tour driver/guide All expenses of personal nature Any entrance fees and guided excursions not included in the above itinerary Early Check In & Late Check Out Internal & Domestic Flights (priced separately) Car Rental

Note

Optional hotels on requests with transfers or self drives. Self Drives at additional cost. Internal domestic flights at additional cost. Hotel Elephant Lake Hotel.

Tour Dates & Pricing

