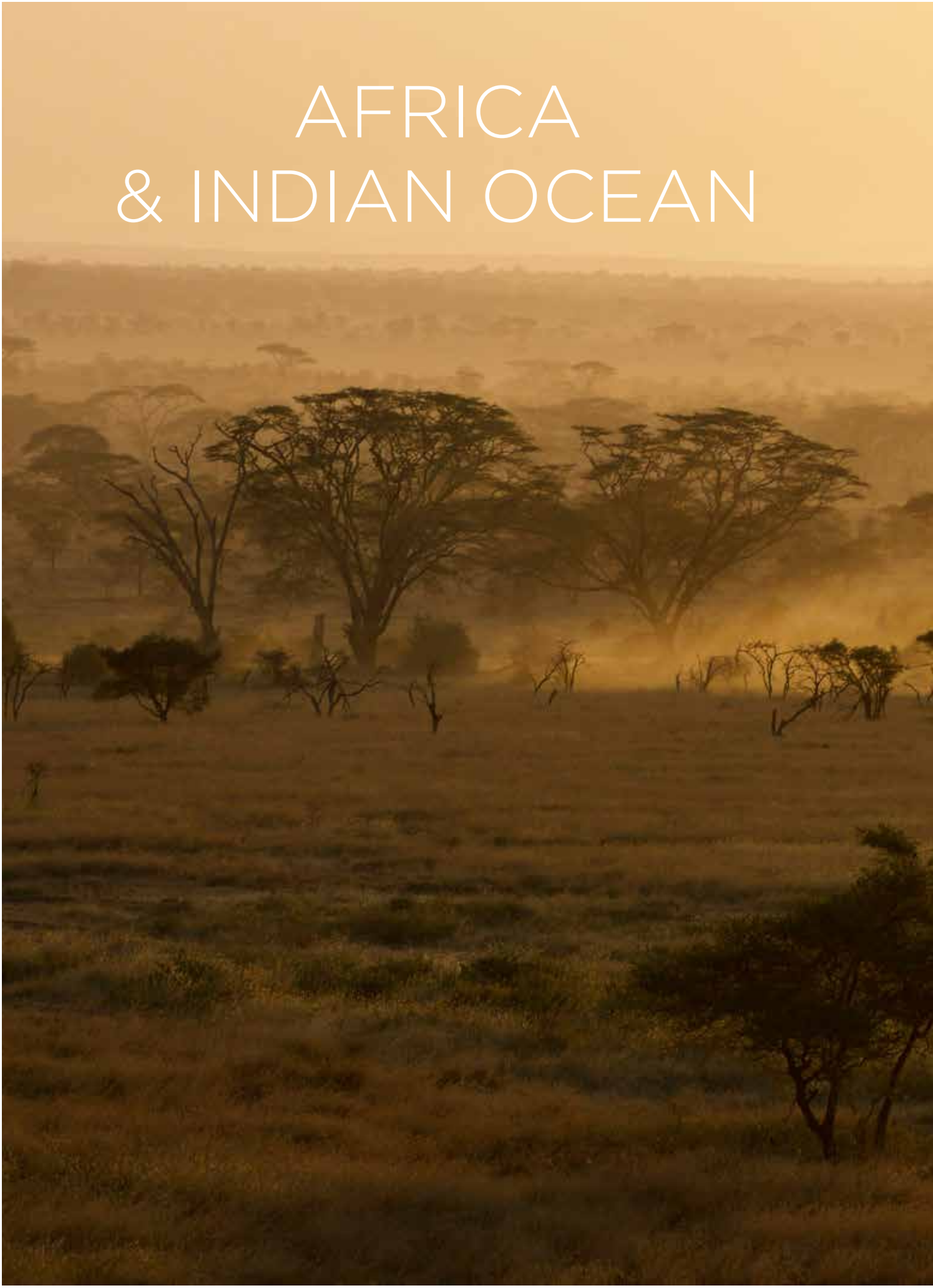
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THE FIRST CLASS DIFFERENCE

Making your holiday dreams a reality starts with understanding what really matters to you. Whether you're a beach lover or adventurer, a lover of history and culture or the great outdoors, at one with nature or the big city; prefer luxury or authentic, being independent or part of a group. Our travel specialists will get to know what you desire and then create a holiday to match. You will experience superb service all along the way and we will use our wealth of experience to create your holiday as if we were creating our own. And you can be sure that before you go, whilst you are away and even when you come home, we will be with you every step of the way.

AWARD WINNING SERVICE

We were founded in 1996 with a desire to provide outstanding levels of service and customer satisfaction and this is still the case today. With thousands of satisfied customers and a raft of awards for exceptional service, your holiday is in the best possible hands. We are very proud that our personal, friendly service and attention to detail has led to us becoming an industry leader in providing personalised holidays. We have been recognised through the years by winning a number of prestigious awards from within and outside of the travel industry. Some of our awards include Best Long-Haul Operator, Outstanding Service Award and Best Specialist Destination Operator.

EXPERT ADVICE

With a team of over 50 people all sharing a great passion for travelling we have a wealth of knowledge and experience. Many of us have taken the holidays showcased throughout this brochure, and we know that there is nothing more important than firsthand knowledge when planning your dream adventure. We understand that no two people are the same, and that everyone's dream holiday is different, that's why we curate individual holidays to individual requirements with the emphasis on what you want to see and do. We can create itineraries for all budgets, applying the same first-class level of service to all.

TRULY PERSONAL

Our itineraries are meant to inspire you and we have crafted a fantastic range of holidays but if you find that none include everything you want to do, then our personalised travel service is just for you. We have been involved in the planning and preparation of detailed holidays for many years and would be delighted to share our knowledge to help you plan your perfect holiday. Simply visit your local travel agent, call us on **0161 888 5610** or email **enquiries@fcholidays.com** and one of our expert and friendly team will plan your ideal holiday from start to finish.

OUR PRICES

Hotel and transport prices change frequently, and we are in constant contact with our suppliers to ensure that we offer the very best prices that are available. We do not show prices in this brochure as rates do vary and fluctuate quite considerably both due to demand but also due to seasonal special offers that are frequently introduced. When creating your ideal holiday, our team will choose the best rate for the services you have selected and apply any seasonal offers that may be available.

PRICE MATCH PROMISE

We work very hard in sourcing competitive prices and have great relationships with our airlines and suppliers to ensure you get the best value for money. We regularly check prices against our competitors, however if you find a better price elsewhere sold with the same service conditions, we will happily lower our price to match. Please see terms and conditions on our website www.fcholidays.com for more details on our policy.

PEACE OF MIND

We are here whenever you need us, before you go, whilst you're away and when you come home. We are fully bonded with the Civil Aviation Authority ATOL scheme (Licence Number 5421) and with the Association of British Travel Agents (Licence Number W3550). You can book your travel arrangements with the peace of mind that your money is safe.

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OUR FRIENDLY TEAM

Our team of Africa experts are passionate about Africa and there is nothing more important than speaking to someone who has been there, and we have! We are able to provide first-hand knowledge on everything, from flights and hotels to sightseeing and excursions. We are also happy to share those smaller elements that help create your perfect holiday from finding the best coffee spots to that hidden gem in your favourite city; we want to share our experiences with you.

HOLIDAYS YOU CAN TRUST

We are committed to making your holiday as incredible as possible, but don't take our word for it. We have thousands upon thousands of satisfied customers who would highly recommend our services to make your dream holiday become a reality. Why not have a look at the customer reviews on our website **www.fcholidays.com** and check out our FEEFO rating.

Sustainable Travel

We believe that the pursuit of extraordinary holidays should not compromise the well-being of our planet. Our sustainable program is a testament to our dedication to creating unforgettable experiences while respecting and preserving the environment. We meticulously choose eco-friendly hotels and services that share the same goals, offer carbon offset options, and promote ethical tourism, ensuring every adventure leaves a positive impact.



KwaZulu-Natal Midlands
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KEY PILLARS OF FIRST CLASS HOLIDAYS' SUSTAINABLE PROGRAM

Our commitment to sustainability extends beyond a tangible and impactful program that transforms the way we travel. Experience the epitome of sustainable travel with First Class Holidays.

CARBON OFFSET OFFERING

Our clients can neutralise their carbon footprint by contributing to verified carbon reduction projects. We offer the chance to plant new trees across the globe through reforestation and to simultaneously invest into clean renewable energy projects. That means a traveller's climate contribution will remove CO_2e emissions now and invest in the planet for the future. Trees are one of the most powerful absorbers of carbon emissions - by growing trees in developing countries as our clients travel, we can help to restore eco-systems, biodiversity, and support local communities.

PARTNERSHIPS WITH ECO-FRIENDLY SUPPLIERS

We are dedicated to forging relationships with hotels and services that share our unwavering commitment to sustainability. Our selection process involves stringent criteria, assessing factors such as energy efficiency, waste management practices, and sustainable sourcing. By aligning with like-minded partners, we ensure that every aspect of our travellers' experience reflects our shared ethos of environmental responsibility. Through these partnerships, we aim to create a network of destinations that serve as exemplars of eco-conscious hospitality.

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AND AWARENESS

Our commitment to sustainability extends beyond travel experiences—it encompasses a dedication to educating and empowering our staff and travellers. Through our educational Initiatives, we aim to foster a deeper understanding of sustainable practices and the environmental impact of their choices; to inspire a sense of responsibility amongst them. These initiatives are seamlessly integrated into our travel packages, offering information on local ecosystems, wildlife conservation, and responsible behaviour while travelling.

SUPPORT LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND ECONOMIES

Our dedication to sustainability extends beyond environmental conservation to embrace a holistic approach that actively supports local communities and economies. Recognising that responsible travel involves more than minimising environmental impact, we place a strong emphasis on fostering positive social and economic contributions to South Africa:

- We recognise the intrinsic value of preserving cultural heritage. We actively engage with communities to understand their traditions, ensuring that our activities are respectful and promote cultural exchange without compromising the integrity of local practices, allowing us to create authentic travel experiences.

- We prioritise collaborations with local businesses. By sourcing goods and services locally, we minimise transportation-related emissions and support regional economies. This approach not only strengthens community ties but also promotes the use of sustainable and locally produced materials.



Map of Africa, designed by Holly Francesca for First Class Holidays.

Holly Francesca is a British artist living in Portugal. For over 10 years she has created a collection of colourful maps and travel prints inspired by the best architecture, gardens and hidden gems from the most fascinating places within the UK and beyond.

See the full collection of prints: www.hollyfrancesca.co.uk
Follow the journey on Instagram @HollyFrancescaUK


AFRICA
Samburu
Masai Mara
Serengeti
Ngorongoro Crater
Mt Kilimanjaro
Zanzibar
Etosha
Victoria Falls
Okavango Delta
Sossusvlei Dunes
Kruger National Park
Cape Town

Ways to Explore

We understand that each holiday is a unique experience, which is why we offer a variety of tour options to ensure your holiday is what you want. Guided tours, private or with a small group, enable you to experience the sights and sounds of a country whilst your guide provides an additional layer of detail. Self-drive road trips allow you the freedom to explore in your own time, though with hotels, routes, and directions all pre-planned and arranged in advance, to ensure you can completely relax and enjoy your trip. Some distances in Africa can be vast and so there may be the need to fly between camps by light aircraft, with the bonus of taking in the view from above. For a taste of a bygone era then a rail journey through Africa along historical rail routes, will immerse you into some unforgettable sights and scenery. Numerous cruises operate around Africa with Cape Town and Mombasa becoming popular ports for cruise companies. Alternatively, a houseboat cruise along the Chobe River is a memorable way to enjoy a safari.





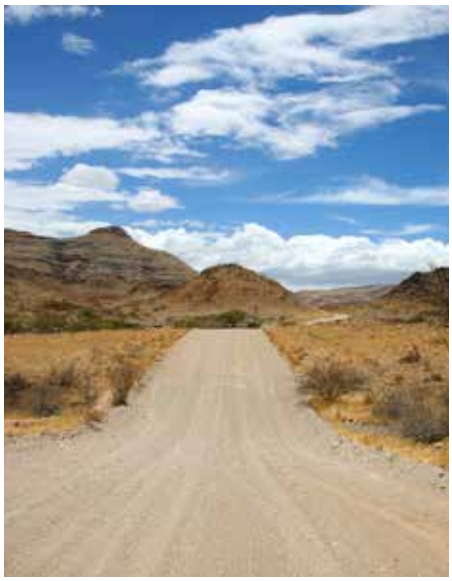
Guided Tours

Our carefully selected collection of guided tours showcases the best of Africa. These are ideal if you prefer to travel as part of a group and have the reassurance of an experienced guide whilst they highlight to you what to see along the way, allowing you to sit back, relax and take in the surrounding beauty.



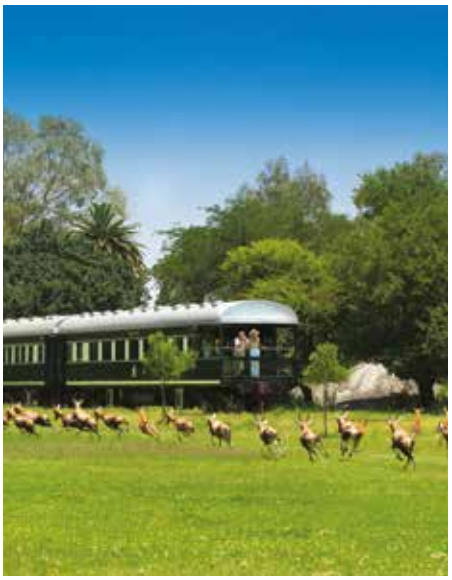
Private Guided Tours

For those preferring a more personal experience, we can create a private guided tour along your desired route, this is a particularly wonderful way for a family or group of friends to travel. The guide will discuss the plan for the day, be that to search for elephants, or find that spot with a secluded view.



Self Drive

Driving in South Africa or Namibia is easy, they drive on the left-hand side of the road, routes are well signposted. Each route we plan will ensure distances between the main sites are well thought out, all hotels and driving directions are included, ensuring the whole driving experience is pleasurable.



Rail Journeys

South Africa is home to many iconic train journeys, most notable being Rovos Rail. Travel in a bygone era as their Edwardian vintage coaches travel on routes including Cape Town to Pretoria, to Victoria Falls, whilst their Cape Town to Dar es Salaam journey winds through some of Africa's most beautiful landscapes.



Fly-in Safaris

Whilst there is a great network of regional flights across Africa, some safari lodges, or camps, are so idyllically remote, it needs a light aircraft flight to access them. Flight hops from camp to camp not only ease the journey, but seeing Africa from a bird's eye view gives a stunning perspective.



Cruise

Africa has become a popular port of call for many cruise companies. We can tailor such cruises with any other arrangements within Africa, creating the holiday of a lifetime. A great contrast to a land-based safari lodge is a 2- or 3-night cruise on a houseboat along the Chobe River.





Package Includes

- 9 nights' accommodation
- Daily breakfast in Cape Town and Victoria Falls
- All meals, local brand drinks, game viewing and park fees in Chobe
- Sightseeing as stated
- Private transfers
- Flights Cape Town/Victoria Falls Kasane/ Johannesburg

Departs: Daily

Cape Town, Victoria Falls and Chobe Safari 10 days

A great combination starting in cosmopolitan Cape Town, the iconic Victoria Falls ending with a safari in Chobe National Park.

Day 1: Cape Town

On arrival into Cape Town a private transfer will take you to your hotel.

Hotel: Four Rosmead, 4 nights

Day 2: Cape Town

At leisure to enjoy Cape Town. (B)

Day 3: Cape Point

Enjoy a full day guided tour of Cape Point. Sights visited will include Camps Bay, Hout Bay, Chapman's Peak Drive to the Cape Point Nature Reserve, where a ride on the funicular will take you to the viewpoint where the two oceans meet. Continue to Simon's Town and to the penguin colony at Boulders Beach (own account), before travelling back to Cape Town. (B)

Day 4: Cape Winelands

Enjoy a full day guided tour of the Cape Winelands. The day starts with a wine tasting at a vineyard in the Paarl Valley. Continue to the beautiful village of Franschhoek for a further wine tasting and lunch (own account). Then head to the historic university town of Stellenbosch for sightseeing before a final wine tasting. (B)

Day 5: Victoria Falls

Private transfer to the airport for your flight to Victoria Falls. Upon arrival transfer to your hotel. (B)

Hotel: Batonka Guest Lodge, 2 nights

Day 6: Victoria Falls

After breakfast enjoy a guided tour of Victoria Falls. The afternoon is a leisure to explore and enjoy Victoria Falls. (B)

Day 7: Chobe National Park

Road transfer across the border into Botswana where you will be met and transferred to your lodge. Afternoon boat safari on the Chobe River. (B, D)

Hotel: 3 nights Chobe Game Lodge

Day 8 & 9: Chobe National Park

You have the option of participating in morning or afternoon game drives, or a further cruise on the Chobe River. (B,L,D)

Day 10: Departure

Transfer to Kasane Airport for your return flight to Johannesburg where your onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)





Package Includes

- 14 nights' accommodation
- Daily breakfast in Cape Town and Johannesburg, Half Board in Mauritius
- All meals, local brand drinks, game viewing and park fees in Kruger
- Sightseeing as stated
- Private transfers
- Flights Cape Town/Kruger/ Johannesburg/Mauritius

Departs: Daily

Cape Town, Kruger Safari and Mauritius 15 days

A tour encapsulating some of the best of South Africa, with stunning Cape Town, a safari in the Kruger National Park, ending with a relaxing beach stay in Mauritius.

Day 1: Cape Town

On arrival into Cape Town a private transfer will take you to your hotel.

Hotel: 4 nights The V&A Hotel

Day 2: Cape Town

At leisure to enjoy Cape Town (B)

Day 3: Cape Point

Enjoy a full day guided tour of Cape Point. Sights visited will include Camps Bay, Hout Bay, Chapman's Peak Drive to the Cape Point Nature Reserve, where a ride on the funicular will take you to the viewpoint where the two oceans meet. Continue to Simon's Town and to the penguin colony at Boulders Beach (own account), before travelling back to Cape Town. (B)

Day 4: Cape Winelands

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Day 5: On Safari

Private transfer to the airport for your flight to the Kruger. Private transfer to your lodge located in the Greater Kruger area. Afternoon safari drive. (B,D)

Hotel: Garonga Safari Lodge, 3 nights

Day 6 & 7: On Safari

Morning and afternoon game drives (B, L,D)

Day 8: Johannesburg

After morning game drive, transfer for your flight to Johannesburg. Upon arrival private transfer to your hotel. (B)

Hotel: The Peech Hotel, 1 night

Day 9: Mauritius

Return transfer to Johannesburg Airport for your flight to Mauritius. Upon arrival private transfer to your hotel. (B,D)

Hotel: La Pirogue, 6 nights

Day 15: Departure

Private transfer to Mauritius Airport where your onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements.





Kenya Safari and Zanzibar

11 days

A safari in the incredible Masai Mara area is followed by beach stay on the spice island of Zanzibar.

Day 1: Nairobi

On arrival into Nairobi a private transfer will take you to your hotel.

Hotel: 1 night Emara Ole Sereni

Day 2: Masai Mara

Private transfer to Wilson Airport for your flight transfer to the Masai Mara area. Upon arrival transfer to your lodge. (B, D)

Hotel: Ol Seki Mara Camp, 3 nights

Day 3 & 4: On Safari

Morning and afternoon game drives. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Zanzibar

After your morning game drive, transfer to your flight to Nairobi Wilson Airport, met for private transfer to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport for your flight to Zanzibar. Upon arrival private transfer to your hotel. (B,D)

Hotel: Breezes Beach Club, 6 nights

Day 11: Departure

Private transfer to Zanzibar Airport where your onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements.

Package Includes

- 10 nights' accommodation
- Breakfast in Nairobi
- Breakfast and dinner in Zanzibar
- All meals, local brand drinks, game viewing & conservancy fees in the Mara
- Private transfers
- Flights by light aircraft Nairobi/Mara/Nairobi
- Flights Nairobi/Zanzibar

Departs: Daily





Best of East Africa

9 days

A tour including some of the best of East Africa, with stunning a safari in the Ngorongoro Crater and the Serengeti National Park, ending with a gorilla trek in Uganda.

Day 1: Arusha

On arrival into Kilimanjaro Airport a private transfer will take you to your hotel.

Hotel: Moivaro Coffee Lodge, 1 night

Day 2: Lake Manyara

Meet your private guide and depart across the Great Rift Valley to Lake Manyara. After lunch at your lodge, enjoy an afternoon game drive. (B, L, D)

Hotel: Kirurumu Manyara Lodge, 1 night

Day 3: Serengeti

Leave for the Serengeti, stopping en route to visit Olduvai Gorge. Enter the Serengeti and travel to your hotel. After lunch enjoy an afternoon game drive. (B, L, D)

Hotel: Serengeti Kati Kati Camp, 2 nights

Day 4: Serengeti

A day spent exploring the Serengeti. (B,L,D)

Day 5: Ngorongoro Crater

Travel to the Ngorongoro Crater for an afternoon of game viewing. Leave the crater and travel to your hotel. (B, L, D)

Hotel: Ngorongoro Farmhouse, 1 night

Day 6: Kigali

Morning drive back to Kilimanjaro Airport for your flight to Kigali. Upon arrival a private transfer to your hotel. (B)

Hotel: Hotel des Mille Collines, 1 night

Day 7: Bwindi

Meet your private driver guide and travel across the border into Uganda and to Bwindi National Park. Afternoon to enjoy the views and the facilities at the hotel. (B, L, D)

Hotel: Mahogany Springs Lodge, 2 nights

Day 8: Bwindi

Transfer to the Bwindi National Park HQ where you will meet with your guide for your gorilla trek. Treks usually take anywhere between 3-5 hours in total and approx. 1 hour is spent watching the gorillas. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Departure

After breakfast transfer back into Rwanda and to Kigali Airport where your onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)

Package Includes

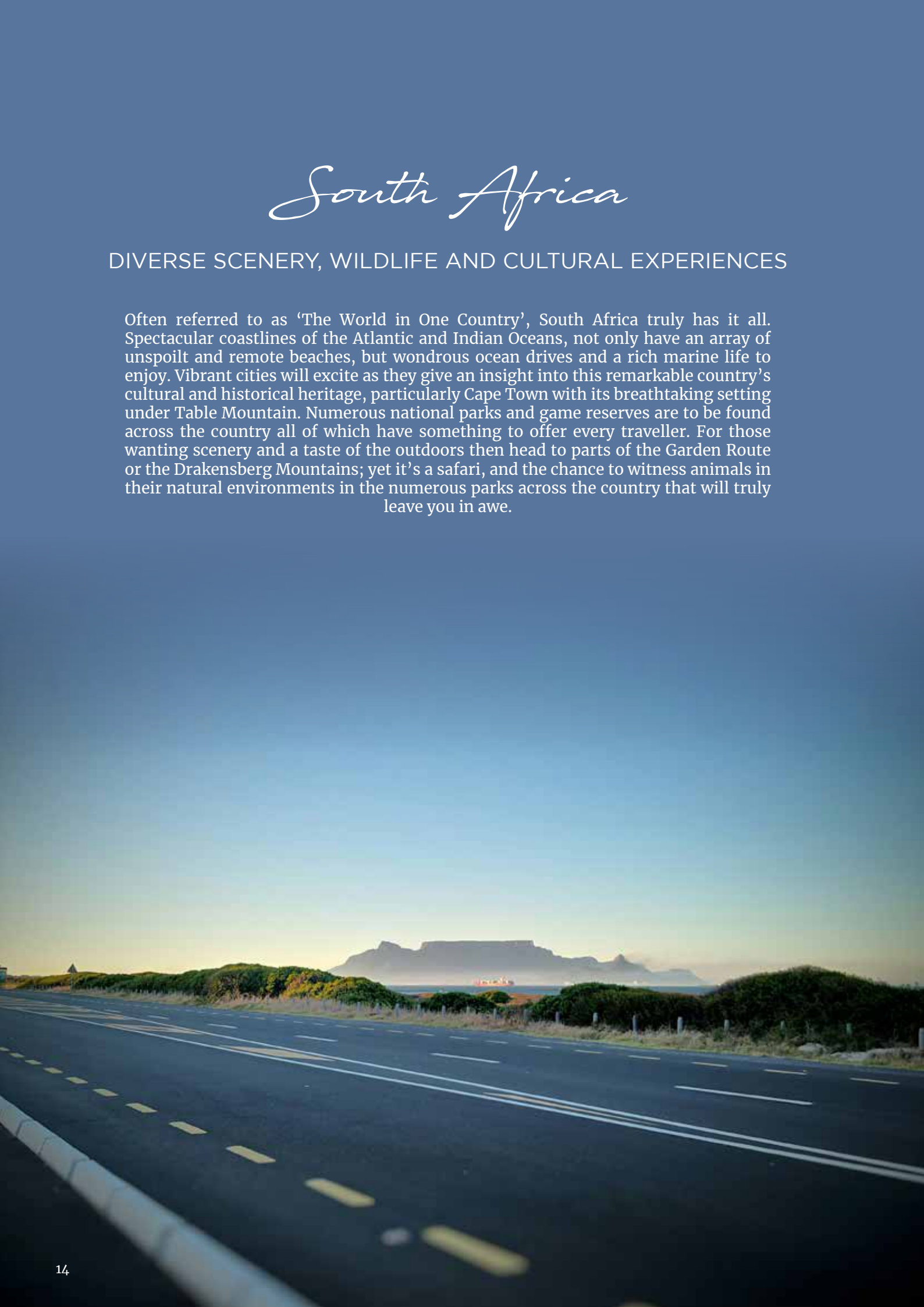
- 8 nights' accommodation
- Meals as specified
- Transportation in 4x4 safari vehicle
- Private English-speaking tour guide
- All Park Fees
- Game Viewing activities
- Gorilla trek permit in Bwindi
- Private transfers as detailed
- Flight Kilimanjaro/Kigali

Departs: Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat

South Africa

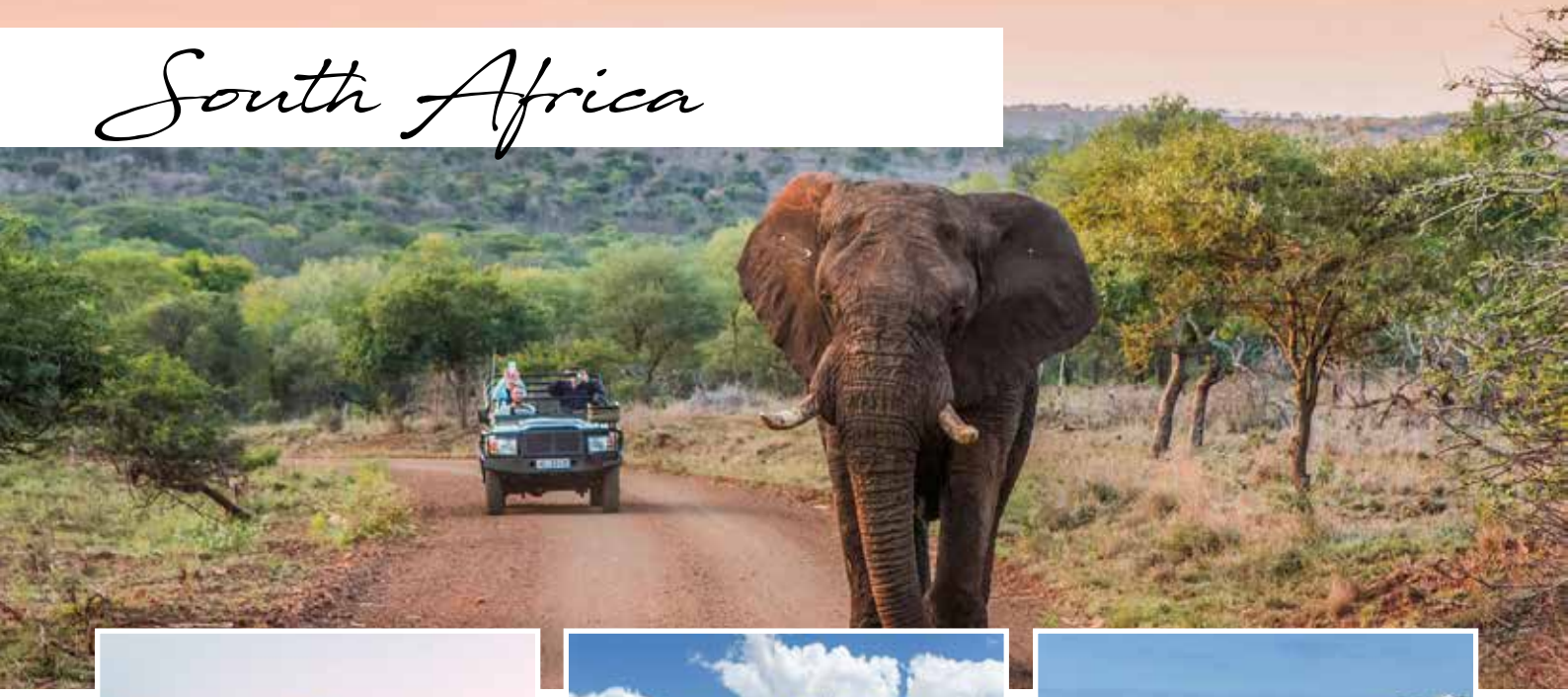
DIVERSE SCENERY, WILDLIFE AND CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

Often referred to as 'The World in One Country', South Africa truly has it all. Spectacular coastlines of the Atlantic and Indian Oceans, not only have an array of unspoilt and remote beaches, but wondrous ocean drives and a rich marine life to enjoy. Vibrant cities will excite as they give an insight into this remarkable country's cultural and historical heritage, particularly Cape Town with its breathtaking setting under Table Mountain. Numerous national parks and game reserves are to be found across the country all of which have something to offer every traveller. For those wanting scenery and a taste of the outdoors then head to parts of the Garden Route or the Drakensberg Mountains; yet it's a safari, and the chance to witness animals in their natural environments in the numerous parks across the country that will truly leave you in awe.




SOUTH AFRICA
Pilanesberg National Park
Kruger National Park
Johannesburg
Kalahari Desert
Drakensberg Mountains
Zulu Battlefields
Lesotho
Augrabies Falls
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Cape Winelands
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Cape Town
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South Africa





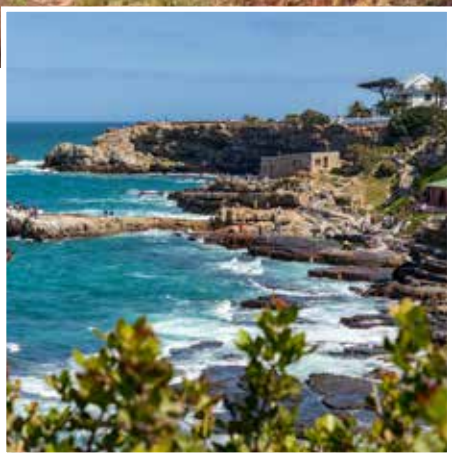
Cape Town

Cape Town sits under the iconic Table Mountain, and is a fabulous destination, blending a vibrant urban scene with outdoor lifestyle all set in the most stunning environment. Visit colourful Bo-Kaap, meet the famous African penguins at Boulders Beach, or sip world-class wines in the nearby winelands, a simply unforgettable experience.



The Winelands

Breathtaking valleys with sweeping vineyards and dotted with historical Cape Dutch house, nestle beneath majestic mountains ranges. The historical university town of Stellenbosch and picturesque Franschhoek are both celebrated for their award-winning wines and world-class restaurants, this is the area for pure indulgence and relaxation.



Hermanus

Hermanus is a quaint coastal town known for having the best land-based whale watching in the world. Located 2-3 hours from Cape Town, visitors can enjoy stunning cliff path walks, whale watching boat trips, or visits to see penguin sanctuaries or seal colonies. Nearby, visitors can also enjoy excellent wine tasting in the Hemel-en-Aarde valley.



Garden Route

The Garden Route is a breathtaking coastal drive along the south coast, which captivates visitors with its striking contrast of landscapes from which it takes its name. Emerald indigenous forests, pristine beaches, mountain passes, dramatic cliffs, and tranquil lagoons, dotted with charming seaside towns.



KwaZulu-Natal

KwaZulu-Natal is a vibrant province, characterised by its stunning diversity of dramatic landscapes, coastal beauty and a fascinating Zulu culture. Explore coastal resorts or remote beaches, visit the historical battlefields, or explore the dramatic Drakensberg Mountains. A safari in some of Africa's oldest game reserves is bound to thrill.



Kruger National Park

Arguably one of Africa's most well-known reserves, a safari here will rarely disappoint. Diverse ecosystems ranging from grassy plains to dense woodlands make this a hotspot to see the legendary Big Five. On the western border of the Park are several private reserves where a range of lodges provide a more personal experience.

Taste of South Africa

8 days

A perfect tour to experience a snapshot of the most popular attractions of South Africa, amazing Cape Town and a safari.

Highlights

Cape Town – Cape Point
Winelands – Shamwari Game Reserve

Tour Includes

- 7 nights' accommodation
- Daily breakfast in Cape Town
- All meals, local brand drinks, game viewing and park fees on safari
- Sightseeing as stated
- Private transfers
- Flight Cape Town/Port Elizabeth/ Johannesburg

Departure Dates

Departs: Daily

Day 1: Cape Town

On arrival into Cape Town a private transfer will meet you for your transfer to your hotel.

Hotel: The Bay Hotel, 4 nights

Day 2: Cape Town

Day at leisure to explore Cape Town. (B)

Day 3: Cape Point

Enjoy a full day guided tour of Cape Point. Sights visited will include Camps Bay, Hout Bay, Chapmans Peak Drive to the Cape Point Nature Reserve, where a ride on the funicular will take you to the viewpoint where the two oceans meet. Continue to Simon's Town and to the penguin colony at Boulders Beach (own account), before travelling back to Cape Town. (B)

Day 4: Cape Winelands

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Day 5: Shamwari Game Reserve

Return transfer to the airport for your flight to Gqeberha (Port Elizabeth). On arrival another private transfer takes you to your lodge. Afternoon safari drive in the reserve. (B,D)

Hotel: Shamwari Long Lee Manor, 3 nights

Days 6 & 7: Shamwari Game Reserve

Enjoy morning safaris. Track the wildlife from the comfort and safety of open game viewing vehicles. Return to the lodge for breakfast time to relax before heading out on an afternoon game viewing drive. (B,L,D)

Day 8: Johannesburg

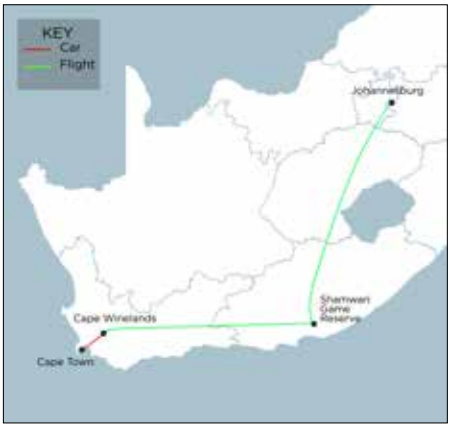
A private transfer takes you back to Gqeberha Airport for your onward flight to Johannesburg where your onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)



Shamwari Game Reserve



Cape Point





Cape Town

A World in One Country

14 days

Your journey begins in Johannesburg and travels through Mpumalanga, with scenic drive along the Panorama Route as well as an incredible safari in the Kruger National Park. The adventure continues as you travel to the Kingdom of eSwatini, where a vibrant cultural journey inspires. Leaving eSwatini, continue to Zululand where the tour takes you through the lands of the proud Zulu nation. A short flight to the last leg of the journey along the world famous Garden Route ending with a few days spent in the city of Cape Town

Highlights

Johannesburg – Mpumalanga – Kruger National Park – eSwatini (Swaziland) Zululand - Garden Route – Cape Town

Tour Includes

- 13 nights' accommodation including porterage
- Meals on Tour: 13 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 5 dinners
- Transportation including toll fees in air-conditioned vehicles
- Services of a professional English-speaking tour guide
- Entrance fees as specified in the itinerary
- Flights Durban/Port Elizabeth
- Small Group Tour maximum 10 guests

Departure Dates

Departs: Selected dates

Day 1: Johannesburg

On arrival in Johannesburg, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel. At 7pm meet for a briefing on the tour and a chance to meet fellow travellers.

Hotel: Protea Hotel Balalaika or similar

Day 2: Mpumalanga

After breakfast leave Johannesburg for the day's drive to Mpumalanga. Approaching the area will reveal scenic mountain drives as you travel to the historic town of Sabie. Visit the Mac Mac Falls, before arriving late afternoon into Hazyview. (B,D)

Hotel: Hippo Hollow Country Estate or similar, 3 nights

Day 3: Mpumalanga

Journey along the spectacular 'Panorama Route', offering views of amazing scenery including the 26-kilometre long Blyde River Canyon, Bourke's Luck Potholes and breathtaking view from God's Window (weather permitting) set on the edge of the escarpment. Arrive back in Hazyview in the late afternoon. (B)

Day 4: Kruger National Park

Early wake up with tea or coffee, before heading to the Kruger National Park where the day begins with an open vehicle safari in search of the 'Big Five'.

Part of the game drive includes a visit to the Anti-Poaching Dog Unit to learn the vital anti-poaching efforts in the park. The afternoon is at leisure at your hotel or join an optional afternoon game drive (for own account). (B)

Day 5: eSwatini (Swaziland)

Travel to eSwatini (Swaziland), an independent Kingdom within the borders of South Africa known for its lovely scenery, crafts and charming nation. An interactive cultural experience inclusive of lunch, introduces you to the culture of eSwatini and their traditions. Visit the Ngwenya glass factory before heading to the beautiful Ezulwini Valley and to your hotel. (B,L,D)

Hotel: The Royal Villas or similar

Day 6: Zululand

After breakfast visit the Swazi candle factory before travelling onto Zululand to find traditional Zulu Kraals and endless vistas. There is an optional afternoon open vehicle safari drive (for own account) in the Hluhluwe-iMfolozi Game Reserve, which contains an immense diversity of fauna and flora and is particularly famous for its conservation of black and white rhino. (B)

Hotel: Anew Hotel Hluhluwe or similar



Meerkats, Oudtshoorn

Day 7: Garden Route

After an early breakfast, depart and continue through picturesque Zululand. Arrive at Durban Airport in time for a short flight to Gqeberha (Port Elizabeth) where you will meet a new vehicle and guide. Head westwards along the Garden Route to the indigenous forests of Tsitsikamma. Enjoy an authentic dinner at Storms River Village. (B,D)

Hotel: Tsitsikamma Village Inn or similar

Day 8: Knysna

Visit the spectacular Tsitsikamma National Park, Storms River Mouth (weather permitting) before continuing to Plettenberg Bay where a visit to Mungo textile producer is the end to this morning. Travel onto Knysna where you will visit the magnificent Knysna Heads before dinner at a local restaurant. (B,D)

Hotel: Rex Hotel or similar

Day 9: Oudtshoorn

After breakfast continue to George for a visit to the Outeniqua Transport Museum, then onwards via the Outeniqua Pass to the historic town of Oudtshoorn. Famous as the centre of the world's ostrich farming industry, visit an ostrich farm, before proceeding to the spectacular limestone caverns of the Cango Caves. Arrive at your hotel in the late afternoon. (B,L)

Hotel: Hlangana Lodge or similar

Day 10: Hermanus

There is an optional early morning meerkat safari (for own account) after which return to the hotel for breakfast. The journey then continues through the Little Karoo where a visit to a local farm school will reveal more of the local South African communities. Continue via the Tradouw's Pass to Swellendam and then onwards to the coast town of Hermanus, an area known for the best land-based whale watching in the world (Aug-Nov) (B)

Hotel: Auberge Burgundy or similar

Day 11: Cape Town

After a leisurely breakfast, depart along the spectacular coast road to Somerset West and then inland to the university town of Stellenbosch, located at the heart of the Cape Winelands. At leisure to explore the town and its oak lined shaded streets, cafés and boutiques, before travelling onwards to Cape Town. (B)

Hotel: President Hotel or similar, 3 nights

Day 12: Cape Town

Enjoy a full day at leisure. Although a small city, Cape Town is packed with sightseeing attractions, excellent bars, cafés, and restaurants as well as colourful craft markets. To explore the city further, a range of optional day tours are available (for own account). In the evening enjoy a home hosted dinner with a local family this evening. (B,D)

Day 13: Cape Point

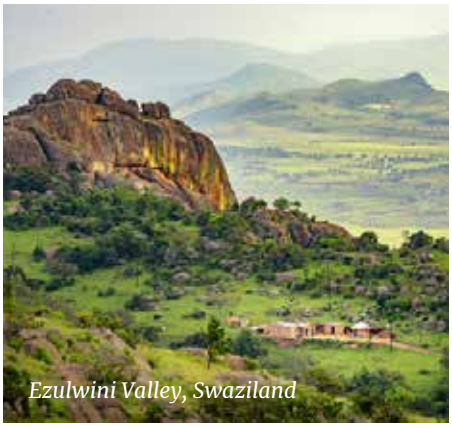
Enjoy a full day tour of the Cape Peninsula. Drive through Sea Point, the seaside village of Hout Bay to Cape Point where (by tradition) it is said that the Atlantic and Indian Oceans meet. Return to Cape Town via Simon's Town, where you can visit the penguin colony at Boulders Beach (admission not included) and Fish Hoek fishing village. (B)

Day 14: Cape Point

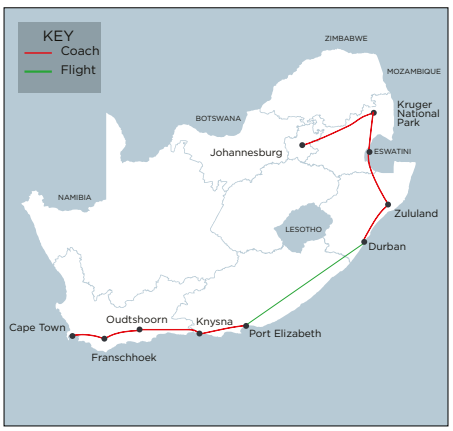
Enjoy some final sightseeing, or perhaps just wander through the variety of shops and boutiques catering for all tastes and budgets. Later you will be transferred to the airport, harbour, or railway station where your onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)



Blyde River Canyon



Ezulwini Valley, Swaziland





St Lucia boat





Tour Includes

- 4 nights' accommodation including porterage and 7 meals
- Transportation including toll fees in air-conditioned vehicles
- Services of a professional English-speaking tour guide
- Entrance fees as specified in the itinerary
- Small Group Tour, maximum 10 guests

Departs: Selected dates

Garden Route Uncovered

5 days

Travel westwards along the world-famous Garden Route to Cape Town, highlights include Tsitsikamma National Park, Knysna and its lagoon, historic Oudtshoorn, a stay in Hermanus and a visit to the winelands before arriving in Cape Town.

Day 1: Tsitsikamma

Afternoon departure and head westwards along the Garden Route to the indigenous forests of Tsitsikamma. Enjoy an authentic dinner. (D)

Hotel: Tsitsikamma Village Inn or similar

Day 2: Knysna

Visit the spectacular Tsitsikamma National Park, Storms River Mouth (weather permitting) then continue to Plettenberg Bay to visit the Mungo Textiles. Travel onto Knysna and visit the beautiful Knysna Heads before dinner at a local restaurant. (B,D)

Hotel: Rex Hotel or similar

Day 3: Oudtshoorn

After breakfast visit the Outeniqua Transport Museum, then travel to Oudtshoorn via the Outeniqua Pass. Visit an ostrich farm before proceeding to the spectacular limestone caverns of the Cango Caves. Arrive at your hotel in the late afternoon. (B,L)

Hotel: Hlangana Lodge or similar

Day 4: Hermanus

Optional early morning meerkat safari (for own account). Then after breakfast travel through the Karoo to visit a local farm school to learn more of local South African communities. Continue via Swellendam to the coast town of Hermanus, an area known for the best land-based whale watching in the world (Aug-Nov) (B)

Hotel: Auberge Burgundy or similar

Day 5: Cape Town

After a leisurely breakfast, depart along the coastal road to Somerset West and then to the university town of Stellenbosch, located at the heart of the Cape Winelands. At leisure to explore the town, before travelling onwards to Cape Town, where the onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)





Tour Includes

- 5 nights' accommodation including porterage and 9 meals
- Transportation including toll fees in air-conditioned vehicles
- Services of a professional English-speaking tour guide
- Entrance fees as specified in the itinerary
- Small Group Tour, maximum 10 guests

Departs: Selected dates

Garden Route Splendour

6 days

Follow the path from Cape Town, through the Karoo to Oudtshoorn and then to the splendour of Knysna and the Tsitsikamma.

Day 1: Oudtshoorn

Start your tour travelling to the southernmost tip of Africa to Cape Agulhas. Continue to historic Swellendam and then take Route 62 to the Oudtshoorn, stopping en route to enjoy a light lunch of traditional South African breads. Enjoy dinner of local specialities at an Ostrich Farm. (L,D)

Hotel: La Plume Boutique Guest House or similar, 2 nights

Day 2: Oudtshoorn

After a leisurely breakfast, visit the Cango Caves and then take a tractor tour at a working Ostrich Farm. Afterwards enjoy a wine tasting from local vineyards in the area. (B)

Day 3: Knysna

Travel via the Outeniqua Pass to George where you will visit the Outeniqua Transport Museum. Continue to Wilderness with its beautiful coastline before travelling to Knysna, to see its lagoon and enjoy a traditional lunch. Remainder of the afternoon is at leisure. (B,L)

Hotel: Rex Hotel or similar, 2 nights

Day 4: Tsitsikamma

Today is spent exploring the Garden Route. Travel to Plettenberg Bay to visit Mungo Textiles, Monkeyland and the Birds of Eden. Afterwards travel to Tsitsikamma. (B)

Hotel: Tsitsikamma Village Inn or similar, 2 nights

Day 5: Tsitsikamma

After breakfast visit the rocky coastline and ancient forests of Tsitsikamma National Park and Storms River Mouth. Return to the hotel for the remainder of the afternoon at leisure before enjoying an authentic dinner in Storms River Village. (B,D)

Day 6: Gqeberha

Head eastwards along the Tsitsikamma Forest to Gqeberha (Port Elizabeth), affectionately known as the "friendly city". Enjoy a city orientation tour of the city where the onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)





Tour Includes

- 3 nights' accommodation including porterage and 4 meals
- Transportation including toll fees in air-conditioned vehicles
- Services of a professional English-speaking tour guide
- Entrance fees as specified in the itinerary
- Small Group Tour, maximum 10 guests

Departs: Selected dates

Kruger Park Explorer

4 days

Few destinations rival the Kruger National Park. It is the largest game reserve in South Africa and is almost two million hectares of land, where its wild inhabitants thrive. It is an indescribable wildlife experience, and it ranks as one of the best on the African continent, the ultimate safari experience.

Day 1: Mpumalanga

After breakfast leave Johannesburg for the day's drive to Mpumalanga. After check-in enter the Kruger National Park and spend the afternoon game viewing in the tour vehicle before returning to your hotel. (D)

Hotel: Hippo Hollow Country Estate or similar, 3 nights

Day 2: Kruger National Park

Early wake up with tea or coffee, before heading to the Kruger National Park where the day begins with an open vehicle safari in search of the 'Big Five'. Part of the game drive includes a visit to the Anti-Poaching Dog Unit to learn about the vital anti-poaching efforts in the park. Return to the hotel for lunch and a short siesta. Enjoy a further game drive in the park by tour vehicle. (B)

Day 3: Panorama Route

After breakfast depart the hotel to explore the Panorama Route, one of the most scenic routes in the region, offering glorious views and spectacular landscapes. Visit sights including God's Window, the Three Rondavels and Blyde River Canyon and the charming village of Graskop, one of the first gold mining camps in the country. Optional (own account) open vehicle game drives are available, should you prefer not to join the Panorama Route tour. Return to your hotel for overnight. (B)

Day 4: Johannesburg

After breakfast leave and return to Johannesburg where the onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)





Tour Includes

- 6 nights' accommodation including porterage and 9 meals
- Transportation including toll fees in air-conditioned vehicles
- Services of a professional English-speaking tour guide
- Entrance fees as specified in the itinerary
- Small Group Tour, maximum 10 guests

Departs: Selected dates, January-December

Kruger and the Kingdoms

7 days

When you combine the Kruger National Park, an icon of the wildlife world and the Kingdoms of eSwatini and Zululand, you have a mighty experience designed to take your travel desires to new heights.

Day 1: Johannesburg

On arrival in Johannesburg, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel. At 7pm meet for a briefing on the tour and a chance to meet fellow travellers.

Hotel: Protea Hotel Balalaika or similar

Day 2: Mpumalanga

A full days' drive to Mpumalanga, an area of scenic mountains. Visit to the historic town of Sabie, the pretty Mac Mac Falls, before arriving late afternoon into Hazyview. (B, D)

Hotel: Hippo Hollow Country Estate or similar, 3 nights

Day 3: Mpumalanga

Journey along the spectacular 'Panorama Route', offering views of amazing scenery including the Blyde River Canyon, Bourke's Luck Potholes and breathtaking view from God's Window (weather permitting). Arrive back in Hazyview in the late afternoon. (B)

Day 4: Kruger National Park

Early departure for the Kruger National Park where the day begins with an open vehicle safari in search of the 'Big Five'. After visit the Anti-Poaching Dog Unit. The afternoon is at leisure or join an optional afternoon game drive (for own account). (B)

Day 5: eSwatini (Swaziland)

Travel to eSwatini, an independent Kingdom known for its lovely scenery and crafts. An interactive cultural experience inclusive of lunch, introduces you to the local culture. Visit the Ngwenya glass factory then continue to the Ezulwini Valley for overnight. (B, L, D)

Hotel: The Royal Villas or similar

Day 6: Zululand

Visit the Swazi candle factory then re-enter South Africa to Zululand. There is an optional afternoon open vehicle safari drive (for own account) in the Hluhluwe-iMfolozi Game Reserve, famous for its conservation of black and white rhino. (B)

Hotel: Anew Hotel Hluhluwe or similar

Day 7: Garden Route

After an early breakfast, depart and continue through picturesque Zululand with rolling hills of Zulu villages and sugar cane fields. Arrive at Durban Airport where the onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)

Exceptional South Africa

13 days

This is an exceptional 13-day tour of South Africa, covering the highlights of this beautiful country, starting with time in Cape Town before driving along the Garden Route, then flying to the Sabi Sabi Game Reserve for an unforgettable safari. Based on some of South Africa's most loved hotels and lodges, this is truly a tour that will create many everlasting memories.

Highlights

Cape Town – Oudtshoorn – Plettenberg Bay
Port Elizabeth – Panorama Route
Sabi Sands Game Reserve

Tour Includes

- 12 nights' accommodation
- Daily Breakfasts in Cape Town, Winelands, Garden Route, Gqeberha, White River
- All meals, local brand drinks, game viewing and park fees in Sabi Sabi
- Private transfers
- Flights Gqeberha/Johannesburg/Kruger Mpumalanga Skukuza/Johannesburg
- 10 days Avis Group C car hire, Classic Plus inclusions (2 rentals, days 2-9 & 9-11), including one-way rental fees.

Departure Dates

Departs: Daily
January - December

Day 1: Cape Town

On arrival at Cape Town Airport, you will be met and transferred to your accommodation.

Hotel: Cape Cadogan Boutique Hotel, 4 nights

Day 2-4: Cape Town

A car will be delivered to your hotel for your use. Three full days to explore Cape Town. Spend your days exploring the city and its range of sights and attractions. After exploring the city itself, perhaps drive the short distance to the winelands region or drive along Cape Point and onwards to visit the historic village of Simon's Town and the land-based penguin colony at Boulders Beach. (B)

Day 5: Oudtshoorn

Today's drive takes you east through the scenic inland route to Oudtshoorn. It's a fairly long drive today, so its recommended to have an early start to allow plenty of sightseeing and rest stops along the way. Your destination is Oudtshoorn. Set in the tranquil Olifant's River Valley it demands spectacular views of the Swartberg Mountains. (B)

Hotel: La Plume Guest House

Day 6: Plettenberg Bay

Today's drive is a highlight of your tour as you drive via the Outeniqua Pass to the Garden Route. Travel through highlights of the area such as Wilderness or Knysna before reaching your destination the coastal town of Plettenberg Bay where you will spend the following two nights. (B)

Hotel: The Old Rectory Hotel, 2 nights

Day 7: Plettenberg Bay

A free day to enjoy the area, be that relaxing at one of Plettenberg Bay's beautiful beaches or exploring the scenic Robberg Peninsula. (B)

Day 8: Gqeberha (Port Elizabeth)

Continue eastwards through the ancient forests of the Tsitsikamma National Park and the rugged beauty of Storms River Mouth. Arrive into Port Elizabeth and to your hotel, located less than 5 minutes from a pristine Blue Flag beach and numerous restaurants. (B)

Hotel: The Windermere



Blyde River Canyon

Day 9: White River

Return your car at Port Elizabeth Airport and check in for your flight to Johannesburg where you will connect with your onward flight to Kruger Mpumalanga. On arrival, collect your next vehicle and drive to your hotel situated in White River. (B)

Hotel: Olivers Lodge, 2 nights

Day 10: Panorama Route

A free day to explore the scenic 'Panorama Route' with highlights such as Blyde River Canyon and the Three Rondavels, Bourke's Luck Potholes, God's Window, the waterfalls of the Mac Mac Falls. (B)

Day 11: Sabi Sabi

Take the short drive to Skukuza Airport and return your car. You will be met by a guide from the Sabi Sabi Game Reserve for your transfer back to your lodge. Enjoy an afternoon game drive. (B,D)

Hotel: Sabi Sabi Selati Camp, Luxury Suite, 2 nights

Day 12: On Safari

Enjoy morning and afternoon game drives in search of the 'Big Five' – elephant, rhino, buffalo, lion and leopard, as well as wild dog and cheetah. (B,L,D)

Day 13: Sabi Sabi

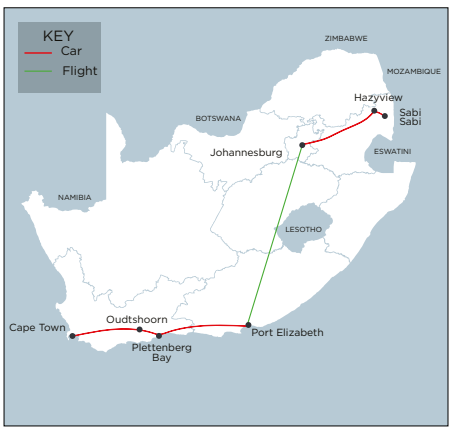
After your early morning game drive, transfer back to Skukuza Airport for your flight to Johannesburg, where the onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)



Cape Town



Sabi Sabi safari





Plettenberg Bay

Discover the Cape

10 days

Explore three of the Western Cape's most unique and picturesque regions. Spend three full days in Cape Town before driving the short distance to the Cape Winelands. Here you will explore the historic village of Franschhoek, exploring the many wineries in the region on the unique Wine Tram. Your final three nights are at Grootbos Private Reserve, a nature lover's paradise.

Highlights

Cape Town - Franschhoek - Winelands
Grootbos Private Nature Reserve

Tour Includes

- 9 nights' accommodation
- Daily breakfasts in Cape Town and Franschhoek
- Full board and selected activities at Grootbos Lodge
- Franschhoek Wine Tram Hop-On-Hop-Off ticket
- Private transfers
- 9 days Group C Car rental, Classic Plus inclusions

Departure Dates

Departs: Daily

Day 1: Cape Town

Upon arrival into Cape Town Airport, you will be met and transferred to your hotel located in the popular V&A Waterfront.

Hotel: The Cape Grace Hotel, 4 nights

Day 2-4: Cape Town

A car will be delivered to your hotel for your use. Three full days to explore Cape Town. Spend your days exploring the city and its range of sights and attractions. After exploring the city itself, perhaps drive the short distance to the winelands region or drive along Cape Point and onwards to visit the historic village of Simon's Town and the land-based penguin colony at Boulders Beach. (B)

Day 5: Franschhoek

Today you will take a leisurely drive through the Cape Winelands to explore the area including the historic town of Stellenbosch, famed for its oak tree lined avenues. There are a numerous wine estates to visit, each with their unique wine tasting experience or restaurants. Arrive into Franschhoek and to your hotel. (B)

Hotel: Boschendal Wine Estate, 2 nights

Day 6: Franschhoek

A free day to explore the winelands. Included are tickets for the Franschhoek Wine Tram, a unique journey through rolling vineyards in a vintage style railway tram and open-air tram-bus stopping at some of South Africa's oldest and most distinguished wine estates. (B)

Day 7: Grootbos Nature Reserve

Your drive south today takes you to Grootbos Private Nature Reserve, nestled in some of South Africa's most rich eco-systems that showcases the incredible Flora and Marine life of the Southern Tip of Africa. Home of the "Marine Big 5" - whales, sharks, dolphins, seals and penguins; and with unparalleled floral diversity. (B,D)

Hotel: Grootbos Garden Lodge, 3 nights

Day 8 & 9: Grootbos Reserve

Two full days to explore this unique region. (B,L,D)

Day 10: Cape Town

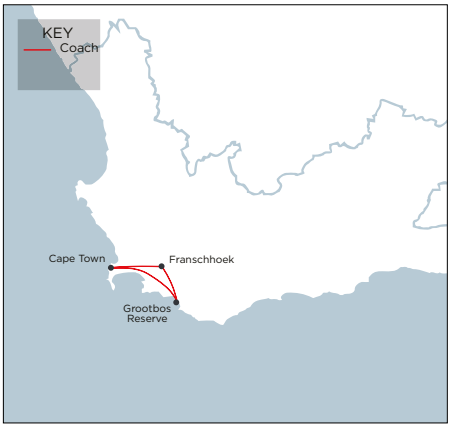
A two-hour drive back to Cape Town Airport where the onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)



Grootbos Flower Safari



Cape Town





Cape Grace Hotel

Cape Town, Garden Route & Safari

14 days

Discover the spectacular Garden Route on this 11-day tour, beginning in Cape Town, enjoy four nights at the heart of V&A Waterfront. Your journey then takes you east, first to Paarl and then to Oudtshoorn and on to Knysna at the heart of the Garden Route. The tour then ends with a safari in the Eastern Cape.

Highlights

Cape Town - Paarl - Oudtshoorn
Garden Route - Eastern Cape Safari

Tour Includes

- 13 nights' accommodation
- Daily breakfasts in Cape Town, Stellenbosch, Oudtshoorn and Knysna
- All meals, local brand drinks, game viewing and park fees in Pumba
- Private transfers
- 10 days Group C Car rental, Classic Plus inclusions

Departure Dates

Departs: Daily

Day 1: Cape Town

Upon arrival into Cape Town Airport, you will be met and transferred to your hotel located in the popular V&A Waterfront.

Hotel: V&A Hotel or similar, 4 nights

Day 2-4: Cape Town

A car will be delivered to your hotel for your use. Three full days to explore Cape Town and its range of sights and attractions. After exploring the city itself drive along Cape Point and onwards to visit Simon's Town and the penguin colony at Boulders Beach. (B)

Day 5: Stellenbosch

Today you will take a leisurely drive through the Cape Winelands to the historic town of Stellenbosch, famed for its oak tree lined avenues. En route visit some of the numerous wine estate before arriving at your hotel. (B)

Hotel: Oude Werf Hotel, 2 nights

Day 6: Stellenbosch

A free day to explore the Cape Winelands or relax at the hotel. (B)

Day 7: Oudtshoorn

Today's drive takes you east via the scenic Route 62 to Oudtshoorn. This historic town is known as the 'ostrich capital', historically being the centre of ostrich farming. (B)

Hotel: Rosenhof Country Lodge, 2 nights

Day 8: Oudtshoorn

A free day to explore Oudtshoorn. Take time to visit one of the working ostrich farms. A short drive away are the Cango Caves, Africa's largest show cave system. (B)

Day 9: Knysna

A short drive brings you to the heart of the Garden Route and Knysna whose most famous landmark is its beautiful Lagoon and cliffs of the Heads. Explore the town and its waterfront area with local arts and crafts. (B)

Hotel: The Lofts Boutique Hotel, 2 nights

Day 10: Knysna

A full day to explore the Garden Route region, maybe visit to Plettenberg Bay or Tsitsikamma National Park, a combination of indigenous forest and marine coastal reserve. (B)

Day 11: On Safari

Early morning departure for your drive to Gqeberha (Port Elizabeth) where you will return your hire car to the airport. You will be met and transferred to your game reserve. (B,D)

Hotel: Pumba Water Lodge, 3 nights

Day 12 & 13: On Safari

Enjoy morning and afternoon game drives. (B, L, D)

Day 14: Departure

Return transfer to the Gqeberha Airport. (B)



On Safari



Pumba Water Lodge





Stellenbosch

Best of KwaZulu Natal

14 days

A tour that will reveal a contrasting side to South Africa and give an in depth view of the proud Zulu nation. Visiting the scenic Natal Midlands followed by time in the dramatic Drakensberg Mountains. Tours of the Zulu Battlefields will move and inspire, followed by a safari in the Monyoni Game Reserve. End with a relaxing break in South Africa's resort area near Durban.

Highlights

Natal Midlands – Drakensberg Mountains
Battlefields – KwaZulu Natal Game Reserve
Umhlanga Rocks

Tour Includes

- 13 nights' accommodation
- Breakfast in Umhlanga Rocks
- Half Board in Natal Midlands
- Full Board in Drakensberg Mountains and the Battlefields
- All meals & selected drinks, game viewing at Leopard Mountain Lodge
- Battlefield Tours
- All transfers as shown
- 13 days Avis Group I car hire, Classic Plus inclusions

Departure Dates

Departs: Daily

Day 1: Umhlanga Rocks

On arrival at Durban Airport, you will be met and transferred to your accommodation in the coastal town of Umhlanga Rocks. The afternoon is spent relaxing in this popular resort town with a fine selection of shops, cafés and restaurants.

Hotel: The Oyster Box Hotel, 1 night

Day 2: Natal Midlands

A car will be delivered to your hotel for your use. Leave the Durban area and drive inland to the KwaZulu Natal Midlands area. This is a popular local arts and crafts route, set in the foothills of the Drakensberg Mountains. Afternoon at leisure to explore the many antique and gift shops or take time to enjoy some traditional South African food in one of the many cafés found in the area. (B,D)

Hotel: Cleopatra Mountain Farmhouse, 1 night

Day 3: Drakensberg Mountains

Leave the foothills of the Midland's area and drive into the breathtaking Drakensberg Mountains, The drive will reveal the dramatic landscapes the area is famous for. Arrive at your hotel which is set with views to the stunning Cathedral Peak. The views of the mountains are simply breathtaking. (B,D)

Hotel: Cathedral Peak Hotel, 3 nights

Day 4-5: Drakensberg Mountains

The following two days are at leisure to explore this magnificent area. In addition to the incredible views, a range of local hikes and are available, enhancing your Drakensberg experience. Alternatively, you can explore other areas of the mountains by car, taking in areas like Champagne Castle or for a full day's drive the beautiful Royal Natal National Park. (B,L,D)

Day 6: Battlefields

Leave the mountains and drive through traditional Zulu villages, past Ladysmith and onto the battlefields area known for its historical battle sites, battles in the Anglo-Zulu War. Arrive at your lodge in the late afternoon, where a delicious dinner awaits. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Fugitives Drift Lodge, 2 nights

Day 7: Battlefields

Today your guides from the lodge will take you on two tours of the area, on what will be a moving and memorable experience. In the morning a tour to the nearby Isandlwana battlefield will describe the devastating defeat of the British against the fierce Zulus. Later in the afternoon travel to Rorke's Drift to hear the moving stories of how the small British garrison defended a larger Zulu force inspiring the film Zulu. (B,L,D)



Leopard Mountain Lodge

Day 8: Monyoni Game Reserve

After an early breakfast, leave your lodge and start your drive though rural KwaZulu Natal to the northwest area of Hluhluwe. Your game lodge is located in the Monyoni Private Game Reserve, and being perched on a hill it is a wonderful vantage point over this pretty reserve. Afternoon game drive in the reserve. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Leopard Mountain Lodge, 3 nights

Day 9 & 10: On Safari

The following few days are spent enjoying morning and afternoon game drives in search of the 'Big Five' – elephant, rhino, buffalo, lion and leopard. This area of South Africa is home to Africa's oldest reserves and is known for its rhino conservation projects. (B,L,D)

Day 11: Umhlanga Rocks

Leave the reserve and drive southwards through the rolling, sugar cane covered hills and intriguing Zulu villages back to Umhlanga Rocks where you will spend the final three nights relaxing by the beach. (B)

Hotel: The Oyster Box, 3 nights

Day 12-13: Umhlanga Rocks

Enjoy the final few days of your holiday relaxing by the tropical waters of the Indian Ocean. A range of tours of Durban and surrounding area are available for those wishing to explore the region further. (B)

Day 14: Durban

Your tour ends today with a drive to Durban Airport where you will return your hire car, where the onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)



Drakensberg Mountains



Battlefields`





The Oyster Box

Cape Town, Rail & Safari

12 days

This tour is the ultimate in South African luxury experiences. Stay in some of South Africa's finest hotels, before boarding what is arguably one of the world's finest rail journeys, Rovos Rail. An amazing experience awaits as you step aboard the Edwardian train and enjoy fine cuisine in five-star luxury. Your final highlight is a three-night stay at one of South Africa's finest game reserves.

Highlights

Cape Town – Winelands – Rovos Rail
Pretoria – Sabi Sabi Game Reserve

Tour Includes

- 11 nights' accommodation
- Breakfast in Cape Town and Pretoria
- All meals, local brand drinks, game viewing and park fees in Sabi Sabi
- All meals and drinks (except French champagne) on board Rovos Rail
- Private full day sightseeing tours as detailed
- Private transfers
- Return flight transfers between Johannesburg and Sabi Sabi Private Airstrip

Departure Dates

Departs: Selected dates

Day 1: Cape Town

On arrival at Cape Town Airport, you will be met by and assisted for your private transfer to your hotel, set in Cape Town's bustling V&A Waterfront and the tranquil yacht marina.

Hotel: Cape Grace Hotel, 4 nights

Day 2: Cape Town

A full day private tour will take you to Cape Point and beyond. Travel along the Atlantic Seaboard via Sea Point, Clifton and Camps Bay to Hout Bay, a quaint village and fishing harbour with magnificent mountain views and beaches. Continue, to the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve at Cape Point - which is perceived to be the meeting point of the Atlantic and Indian Oceans. The day will end with a visit to the well-known Kirstenbosch National Botanical Gardens. The tour ends at approx. 5.30pm with a drop-off at your hotel. (B)

Day 3: Cape Town

Today a private day tour takes you to the Cape Winelands. Explore Stellenbosch and walk down the canal-lined avenues, in the shade of giant oak trees and beautifully preserved historic buildings. Travel to the town of Franschhoek, historically dating back to the 17th century, to when the French Huguenots first arrived. Enjoy a wine tasting and lunch (not included in cost). Onward to Paarl, one of the Cape's first farming districts. Return to Cape Town arriving back at approximately 5.30pm. (B)

Day 4: Cape Town

A free day to relax and explore Cape Town at your leisure. (B)

Day 5: Rovos Rail

A private transfer takes you to Cape Town Station to board your Rovos Rail journey bound for Pretoria. Rovos Rail is synonymous with luxury train travel and for many seasoned visitors to South Africa, there's no finer way to see the country. The traditional train carriages, all 1920 originals, rekindle the excitement of a bygone era. Your train departs late morning, and lunch is served as you travel inland through the winelands. Late afternoon the journey will take you up the escarpment and through a series of tunnels. (B,D)

Overnight: 3 nights Rovos Rail



Cape Town

Day 6: Rovos Rail

Your Rovos Rail journey continues. Highlights today include a visit to the historic village of Matjiesfontein; this authentic perfectly preserved Victorian Village, founded by Mr Logan as a refreshment stop in 1890, also boasts an impressive museum. Journey through the Karoo, a vast semi-desert region that was once an enormous inland sea. Over millions of years, volcanic matter was ground down and deposited as silt upon the seabed to form what geologists call the Karoo system. (B,L,D)

Day 7: Rovos Rail

Your Rovos Rail journey continues. Today you can enjoy a tour of Kimberley's Diamond Mine and the Big Hole. Capital of the Northern Cape, Kimberley is well known for the discovery of diamonds that led to its establishment in 1871. Around noon lunch is served in the dining car as you travel northeast towards the broad grassland plains of the Highveld. (B,L,D)

Day 8: Pretoria

Breakfast and lunch are served as the train travels through the goldfields of Witwatersrand, arriving into Pretoria late afternoon, where you will be met and transferred to your hotel. (B,L)

Hotel: The Peech Hotel, 1 night

Day 9: On Safari

A private transfer will take you to the Federal Air Lounge at Johannesburg Airport for your flight transfer to Sabi Sabi private airstrip. On arrival a transfer will take you to your lodge for a three-night inclusive stay. (B,D)

Hotel: Selati Camp, 3 nights

Day 10 & 11: On Safari

Enjoy morning and afternoon game drives in search of the 'Big Five' – elephant, rhino, buffalo, lion and leopard, as well as wild dog and cheetah. (B,L,D)

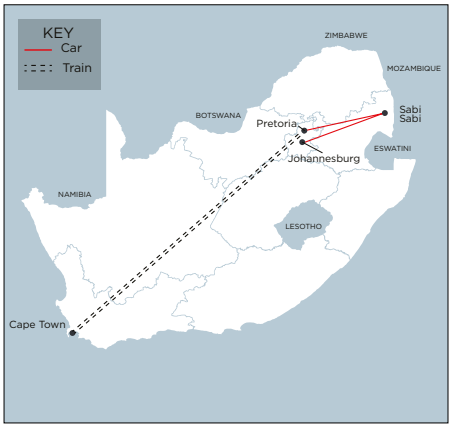
Day 12: Johannesburg

Your tour ends today with a transfer back to Skukuza Airport for your flight to Johannesburg, where the onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)



Sabi Sabi game drive


Rovos Rail




Cape Town

South Africa Highlights

14 days

A tour that combines a small group tour along the Garden Route after an independent travel in Cape Town, leaving time to explore this wonderful City. A safari in the Eastern Cape will bring the trip to an exciting close.

Highlights

Cape Town – Garden Route Tour
Amakhala Game Reserve

Tour Includes

- 13 nights' accommodation
- Breakfast in Cape Town and Port Elizabeth
- All meals, local brand drinks, game viewing and park fees in Amakhala
- Garden Route Small Group Tour, Meals on tour: 5 breakfasts, 2 lunch, 2 dinners, transportation including toll fees in air-conditioned vehicles and services of a professional English-speaking tour guide and entrance fees as specified in the itinerary
- Private transfers

Departure Dates

Departs: Selected dates

Day 1: Cape Town

On arrival into Cape Town a private transfer will take you to your hotel for a 4 night stay. (B)

Hotel: The Commodore Hotel, 4 nights

Day 2: Cape Town

At leisure to enjoy Cape Town (B)

Day 3: Cape Point

Enjoy a full day guided tour of Cape Point. Sights visited will include Camps Bay, Hout Bay, Chapmans Peak Drive to the Cape Point Nature Reserve, where a ride on the funicular will take you to the viewpoint where the two oceans meet. Continue to Simon's Town and to the penguin colony at Boulders Beach (own account), before travelling back to Cape Town. (B)

Day 4: Cape Winelands

Enjoy a full day guided tour of the Cape Winelands. The day starts with a wine tasting at a vineyard in the Paarl Valley. Continue to the beautiful village of Franschhoek for a further wine tasting and lunch (own account). Then head to the historic university town of Stellenbosch for sightseeing before a final wine tasting. (B)

Day 5: Oudtshoorn

Start your tour travelling to the southernmost tip of Africa to Cape Agulhas. Continue to historic Swellendam and then take Route 62 to the Oudtshoorn, stopping en route to enjoy a light lunch of traditional South African breads. Enjoy dinner of local specialities at an Ostrich Farm. (L,D)

Hotel: La Plume Boutique Guest House or similar, 2 nights

Day 6: Oudtshoorn

After a leisurely breakfast, visit the Cango Caves and then take a tractor tour at a working Ostrich Farm. Afterwards enjoy a wine tasting from local vineyards in the area. (B)

Day 7: Knysna

Travel via the Outeniqua Pass to George where you will visit the Outeniqua Transport Museum. Continue to Wilderness with its beautiful coastline before travelling to Knysna, to see its lagoon and enjoy a traditional lunch. Remainder of the afternoon is at leisure. (B,L)

Hotel: Rex Hotel or similar, 1 night



Cape Town

Day 8: Tsitsikamma

Today is spent exploring the Garden Route. Travel to Plettenberg Bay to visit Mungo Textiles, Monkeyland and the Birds of Eden. Afterwards travel to Tsitsikamma. (B)

Hotel: Tsitsikamma Village Inn or similar, 2 nights

Day 9: Tsitsikamma

After breakfast visit the rocky coastline and ancient forests of Tsitsikamma National Park and Storms River Mouth. Return to the hotel for the remainder of the afternoon at leisure before enjoying an authentic dinner in Storms River Village. (B,D)

Day 10: Gqeberha

Head eastwards along the Tsitsikamma Forest to Gqeberha (Port Elizabeth), affectionately known as the "friendly city". Enjoy a city orientation tour of the city where the onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)

Hotel: The Windemere Hotel, 1 night

Day 11: On Safari

You will be collected from your hotel for your transfer to your game reserve. (B,D)

Hotel: Amakhala Safari Lodge, 3 nights

Days 12 & 13: On Safari

Enjoy morning and afternoon game drives. (B,L,D)

Day 14: Departure

Return transfer to the Geqerbha Airport where the onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)



Tsitsikamma



Plettenberg Bay





Cape Town

South Africa Family Adventures

13 days

Explore three of the Western Cape's most unique and picturesque regions, that also offer a myriad of experiences before ending with a non-malarial safari, an itinerary set to create a memorable family holiday. Spend three full days in Cape Town exploring all that the city has to offer. Then drive to the coastal town of Hermanus and to the Grootbos Private Nature Reserve, a nature lover's paradise and great for whale watching centre.

Highlights

Cape Town – Hermanus - Franschhoek Madikwe Game Reserve

Tour Includes

- 12 nights' accommodation
- Breakfasts in Franschhoek
- All meals and selected activities in Grootbos
- All meals, local brand drinks, game viewing and park fees in Impodimo
- Private transfers
- Flights Cape Town/Johannesburg
- Flight transfers between Johannesburg and Madikwe West Airstrip
- 12 days Group I Car rental, Classic Plus inclusions

Departure Dates

Departs: Daily

Day 1: Cape Town

Upon arrival into Cape Town Airport, you will be met and transferred to your apartment perfectly located in the popular V&A Waterfront. The accommodation is suitably placed to explore the vibrant Waterfront area, convenient for a variety of shops and restaurants.

Hotel: Lawhill Luxury Apartments, 5 nights

Day 2-5: Cape Town

A car will be delivered to your hotel for your use. Three full days to explore Cape Town. Spend your days exploring the city and its range of sights and attractions. After exploring the city itself, perhaps drive the short distance to the winelands region or drive along Cape Point and onwards to visit the historic village of Simon's Town and the land-based penguin colony at Boulders Beach. A range of specialist guided tours are also available prefect for family time, these range from cycle tours, kayaking in the bay or for the more energetic then take a guided hike up Table Mountain. (RO)

Day 6: Hermanus

Your drive south today takes you to the coastal town of Hermanus and to Grootbos Private Nature Reserve, nestled in some of South Africa's most rich eco-systems that showcases the incredible Flora and Marine life of the Southern Tip of Africa. Home of the "Marine Big 5" - whales, sharks, dolphins, seals and penguins; and with unparalleled floral diversity. The region is also known for the best land based whale watching in the world, the season extends from Apr-Nov. (D)

Hotel: Grootbos Garden Lodge, 2 nights

Day 7: Grootbos Nature Reserve

A day to explore this unique property where are range of activities from horse riding, garden visits, cycle rides, whale watching boat trips, beach picnics or visits to local communities are available. The lodge will discuss all options available with you and organise your activities to suit your family needs completely. (B,L,D)



Cape Town

Day 8: Franschhoek

Today you will take a leisurely drive to the Cape Winelands to explore the area. Whilst the traditional tourist trail includes the historic town of Stellenbosch, famed for its oak tree lined avenues, numerous wine estates each with their unique wine tasting experience or restaurants, this is not an adult only destination. Drive to Franschhoek and to your cottage based on an historic wine estate. (B)

Hotel: Boschendal Wine Estate, 2 nights

Day 9: Franschhoek

A free day to explore the winelands or partake in some of the activities available on the estate. This ranges from farm tours, guided hikes or explore further afield with mountain bike trails, horse riding, Werf picnics or let children burn off some energy at the Tree House Play area. (B)

Day 10: Madikwe Game Reserve

A drive back to Cape Town Airport where you will return your hire car. Fly to Johannesburg, where upon arrival, you will be assisted for your flight transfer to the Madikwe Game Reserve. Upon arrival you will be met and transferred to your lodge. The Madikwe is a great place for a family safari as it is one of the few reserves in a non malarial area. Afternoon game drive in the Reserve. (B,D)

Hotel: Impodimo Game Lodge, 3 nights

Day 11 & 12: On Safari

The following days will be spent on safari in the reserve by morning and afternoon game drives. Each day brings the opportunity to see the 'Big Five' – elephant, rhino, buffalo, lion and the ever-elusive leopard. The reserve is also a great place to see wild dog and rare species like the brown hyena. (B,L,D)

Day 13: Departure

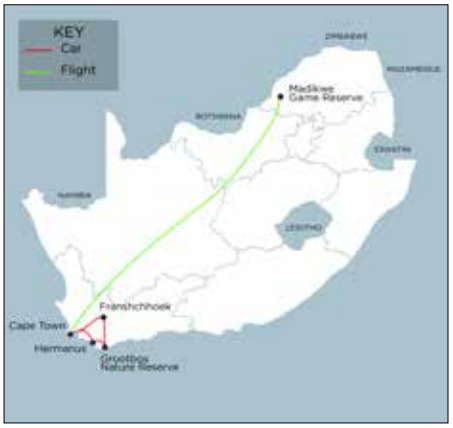
After your morning game drive and breakfast, you will be collected from the lodge for your transfer back to Johannesburg Airport where the onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)



On Safari



Boschendal Wine Estate





Boschendal Wine Estate

Cape Town





Victoria & Alfred Waterfront

Set between the Atlantic Ocean and Table Mountain, the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront is Cape Town's vibrant working harbour turned lifestyle hub. Often referred to as the V&A it blends history, culture, shopping, dining with ocean views. It remains a functioning port rooted in the city's maritime heritage.



Table Mountain

Rising dramatically above Cape Town, Table Mountain is one of the world's most iconic natural landmarks and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Offering panoramic views and accessed by hiking trails or a cableway, the mountain is a central part of the Cape Floral Kingdom, containing over 2,200 plant species.



Coastal Views

Few cities rival the coastal drama of Cape Town, where rugged mountains plunge into the Atlantic and Indian Oceans. From cliff-lined drives to golden beaches and crashing surf, the shoreline delivers ever-changing scenery shaped by wind, waves, and light, creating one of the world's most breathtaking urban coastlines.



Culture

Shaped by centuries of migration, trade, and creativity, Cape Town offers one of Africa's most diverse cultural landscapes. Here, Cape Malay heritage, contemporary art, vibrant townships, music, cuisine, and historic neighbourhoods blend into a dynamic city where tradition and innovation thrive side by side.



Food

The food scene of Cape Town celebrates both global influences and local flavours. Fresh produce, award-winning wines, bustling markets, and innovative chefs shape a culinary destination rooted in history yet constantly evolving, inviting visitors to experience unforgettable restaurants and vibrant street food.



History

Centuries of exploration, trade, and resilience shape the story of Cape Town. From its origins as a vital stop on global sea routes to its role in South Africa's journey to democracy, the city's historic sites, architecture, and museums reveal a powerful past that continues to influence its identity today.

Our Favourite Sightseeing Tours

Cape Point Tour

This spectacular day tour starts with a drive along the rugged coastline to the renowned Cape Point. Pass the city's famed beaches of Camps Bay and Clifton, before heading to Chapman's Peak Drive and to Hout Bay, you'll see so many unspoiled views of the Atlantic Ocean. There is an option to take a boat trip to see the seals on Duiker Island (own account and if weather/ time permits) At Cape Point Nature Reserve, you've entered the famed South-westernmost point of the African continent. Next another highlight, the African penguin colony at Boulders Beach (own account). Heading back takes you along the False Bay coast, where you can visit the charming seaside villages of Simon's Town and Fish Hoek.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 8 hours

City Tour & Table Mountain

Drive to the city centre passing famous landmarks such as Castle of Good Hope, St George's Cathedral, passing the Company Gardens and then to Bo-Kaap where you can see the colourful houses of the Cape Malay. You will then visit a diamond cutting and craftsmanship centre to learn about the history of jewels in South Africa. Proceed to the Table Mountain Cable car where those wishing to visit the Mountain will be dropped off (tickets not included) before returning to your hotel.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 3½ hours

Uthando Half Day Township Tour

Uthando (Love) South Africa is an award winning certified non profit organisation that is creating a unique link between tourism and community. The tours offer meaningful, authentic, engaging, non-invasive and respectful visits to a broad range of inspiring community projects while also bringing enormous benefits to the local communities being visited. Our tours reflect a heartfelt desire to showcase the best of South Africa, the positive, impactful and very often untold stories of triumph over adversity.

Departs: Weekdays only
Duration: 4 hours

Robben Island

Make your way to the Nelson Mandela Gateway at the clock Tower Precinct, V&A Waterfront in Cape Town where you will take the ferry across to Robben Island. The island was a training and defence station in World War 2 and achieved notoriety as the prison where Nelson Mandela was held captive for 18 years. Today it is a World Heritage Site and museum. When you arrive at the island, you will be joined by a local guide, usually someone who spent time there during the Apartheid years who can share their personal and moving experiences. See Mandela's cell as you tour the prison before taking the ferry back to the V&A Waterfront.

Departs: Daily (weather dependent)
Duration: 3½ hours

Cape Winelands Tour

This full day tour introduces you to the country's principal wine routes of Paarl, Stellenbosch and Franschhoek. Your day starts with a visit to Paarl where you will enjoy wine tasting with cheese at one of the local cellars. Continue to the scenic valley of Franschhoek for lunch (own account) and a second wine tasting at one of the region's popular vineyards. In the afternoon head to South Africa's second oldest town, Stellenbosch, where the gracious tree lined avenues still shade the original buildings. Enjoy a final wine tasting before returning to Cape Town.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 8 hours

Cape City Walking Food Tour

This private tour explores Cape Town from a completely different angle, so that by the end of the day guests fully understand this intriguing city. Guests can explore it from all sides - the history, the people, their cultures, their cuisines, as well as contemporary Cape Town and its artisanal trends. Cape Town is a city that has changed at a rapid rate over the last ten years into a city now known for one of the best to visit in the world. Guests walk the city with their private guide, whilst exploring and tasting the city.

Departs: Mon-Sat (Sat incl food markets)
Duration: 7 hours



The Commodore Hotel



Set within the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront, this welcoming hotel offers wonderful views of Table Mountain, Cape Town Harbour and Robben Island from an excellent location. A relaxed nautical feel flows through the hotel from the bright and comfortable rooms, to the Clipper Restaurant evoking the timeless charm of ocean voyages and the Admiralty Bar. After a day of exploring guests can enjoy the outdoor swimming pool and the fitness centre and the shops, museums, restaurants and bars of the V&A Waterfront are just a short stroll away from the hotel.

Location: Victoria & Alfred Waterfront, Cape Town

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Victoria & Alfred Hotel



Originally built as the North Quay Warehouse in 1904, this characterful property is now a charming, boutique hotel in the heart of the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront boasting sweeping harbour views and ensuring a wealth of shopping and dining is within easy reach. There's a choice of comfortable rooms, the mountain facing rooms offer views over the Alfred Basin and Table Mountain, whilst the Loft Rooms offer vibrant colour and quirky artwork. Begin your mornings with coffee from Native Coffee Roasters and enjoy evening meals at GINJA, which offers contemporary dining with views of the water and Table Mountain.

Location: Victoria & Alfred Waterfront, Cape Town

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Cape Grace



Staying at Cape Grace is an experience in itself, combining the modern comforts of a Cape Town luxury hotel with traditional Cape culture. There is no better position for a Victoria & Alfred Waterfront hotel than with Table Mountain standing sentry and towering over the hotel, a working harbour to one side and a multi-millionaire yacht basin on the other. Cape Grace's luxury hotel waterfront setting and stylish interiors celebrate Cape Town's heritage and floral kingdom in ways that juxtapose modern and period. This is noticeable in every custom-designed room, from hand painted fabrics and handmade metalwork, glass and leather items, to individually-sourced antiques and artefacts. Cape Grace facilities and services are world class; offered at a level that reaches far beyond usual expectations

Location: Victoria & Alfred Waterfront, Cape Town

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

InterContinental Table Bay Cape Town



The Table Bay is situated adjacent to the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront shopping and entertainment complex overlooking the Cape Town harbour. The interior of the hotel presents a kaleidoscope of impressions, from the European marble mosaic of the entrance court to the intricate parquet floor of the foyer framed by the full-scale drama of Table Mountain, with the activity of the harbour in the foreground. Below the foyer to the south, is the grand lounge with its cathedral ceiling and twin fireplaces. There are 4 dining options, one of which is poolside with waterfront views, other facilities include a beautiful pool area, day spa, fitness centre, and children's club.

Location: Victoria & Alfred Waterfront, Cape Town

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Four Rosmead Boutique Guesthouse

Set in a unique location on the slopes of Table Mountain, in a peaceful residential area, Four Rosmead is a boutique guesthouse just a 10 minute walk from Green Market Square, one of Cape Town's oldest markets, Company Square and the National Museum & Art Gallery. Vibrant Kloof Street, known for its restaurants and cafés is also within walking distance. Other attractions such as the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront and Camps Bay are just a short drive away. 10 en suite bedrooms are set on the ground or first floor with access to the garden or a balcony, and facilities include a heated swimming pool and a landscaped garden. This is a lovely choice in Cape Town, the walls are graced with contemporary art works by local artists offering a real sense of place in a peaceful setting.

Location: City Bowl, Cape Town

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Abbey Manor Guesthouse

Sitting in the foothills of Table Mountain, in the upscale residential suburb of Oranjezicht, Abbey Manor is delightful Georgian home, originally built in 1905. Kloof Street, also known as 'restaurant mile' is a 15 minute walk and other city attractions are within a 10 minute drive. There are 2 room categories to choose from, each individually designed retaining the elegance of a bygone era. Breakfast is included and additional facilities include a heated swimming pool, elegant lounge areas and a roof terrace which is perfect for sundowners against the backdrop of Table Mountain.

Location: City Bowl, Cape Town

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



The Bay Hotel

With the majestic Twelve Apostles mountain range as the backdrop and the white sands and waves Camps Bay to the fore, the Bay Hotel has an impressive location and is only a 10-minute drive from central Cape Town. The rooms are comfortable and elegant with mountain, pool or ocean views and many have private balconies, there's also a choice of suites. Tides is the hotel's beachfront restaurant and the perfect way to start the day watching the waves rolling onto the beach, there is also a poolside bistro, a private beach club and a bar with ocean views. The excellent range of facilities include 4 swimming pools, spa with sauna and steam room, tennis and squash courts and an indoor padel court.

Location: Camps Bay, Cape Town

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ½



The Twelve Apostles Hotel & Spa

Perched above the ocean on the spectacular coastal road that links Cape Town and Camps Bay with Hout Bay and beyond, this boutique hotel sits in the shadow of the impressive mountain range from which it takes its name. Offering unobstructed ocean views, the vivid sunsets here are known as some of the best in Cape Town. Just 70 rooms and suites are inspired by the hotel's natural surroundings and all have a private balcony or terrace. There are 2 restaurants and a bar, all of which take full advantage of the dramatic views, 2 swimming pools, and an award-winning day spa. The hotel also offers guests complimentary shuttle transfers to the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront via Camps Bay daily.

Location: Nr Camps Bay, Cape Town

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Discover the Winelands

While close to Cape Town, this area justifies time. Explore the vast selection of vineyards, set amongst some of South Africa's most beautiful scenery. Fine restaurants and a riches of experiences, it will be a memorable part of any holiday.



Winelands Tour

This private tour will immerse you into the signature wines of the Franschhoek and Stellenbosch regions and treats you to a bit of history along the way. Customised to your preference, you can choose to focus your trip on tasting your favourite varietals or experimenting with the locally grown specialties. In addition to award-winning wine, this region also has many spectacular restaurants, so be sure to enjoy lunch with a view while testing your new-found wine knowledge.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 8 hours



Stellenbosch Foodies on Foot

A walking tour which focuses on fresh, local, sustainably and seasonal produce. During your leisurely walk your guide will show you talented food artisans and artists/crafters, get an insider's perspective on the outdoor art exhibition, indulge in an award winning gin experience with light snacks, sample fine Stellenbosch craft beers with flavoursome bites, enjoy a locally produced platter served with wines of the region for lunch, and sip a liquid 'dessert' at an innovative coffee laboratory.

Departs: Mon-Sat
Duration: 3½ hours



Franschhoek Wine Tram

One of our absolute favourite tours, allowing you the freedom to plan your own day and enjoy the different activities on offer, be it wine tasting, a cellar tour, lunch or just a stroll through the vineyards and when you're ready, simply hop-on to continue your journey. There are 5 different lines, each visiting a selection of wine estates showcasing a separate part of the Franschhoek Valley.

Departs: Daily
Duration: Hop on/off (8 hours maximum)



Bikes & Wines

A winelands tour like no other. This day tour is fully guided, supplies all bikes, helmets, bottled water and operates in either Stellenbosch or Franschhoek. A relaxed 6 hour ride will take you through approx. 3 picturesque wine estates. Take in the peaceful ambience, the breathtaking views. Enjoy wine tastings as you go, and lunch at one of the estates.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 6 hours



Oude Werf Hotel

Boasting traditional Cape Dutch architecture, light and airy interiors and graceful rooms, the Oude Werf has a history which spans three centuries. Sitting in the heart of Stellenbosch there is an abundance of restaurants, shops and galleries within walking distance, and easy access to the regions renowned wineries. There are 3 room categories ranging in size and style and some offer a small patio or a balcony. All day dining is available in the excellent restaurant with an outside courtyard for sunny days and warm evenings. This is a lovely base from which to explore historic Stellenbosch and the surrounding area.

Location: Stellenbosch

Our rating: ★★★★



Spier Hotel

Set within the beautiful family-run Spier wine farm, this 76 room hotel offers easy access to the farm's nature trails, wine tasting and art installations. Accommodation is in a village-like setting with elegant rooms and suites offering a Cape farmhouse design and garden or mountain views. Food and wine is at the heart of Spier and dining options include a smokehouse and bakery, Veld where the menu follows the seasons, the Garden Room which opens for breakfast and lunch, and a Bubble & Braai pop up when the weather is fine. Guests can also pre-order picnics to enjoy on the banks of the river. Facilities include an outdoor pool, wellness spa with pool, riverside gym, complimentary bicycles, self-guided walks and segway tours.

Location: Stellenbosch

Our rating: ★★★★



Chapter House Boutique Hotel

Originally built in 1888 as a Mission House, and later serving as the village school, this is a hotel steeped in history. Sitting in the centre of Franschhoek the hotel combines heritage design with creativity and charm. With just 17 rooms the atmosphere is calm and peaceful with elegant spaces to relax featuring bespoke pieces of art from local artists. There's a tranquil spa, outdoor pool and sunny breakfast room, and the hotel offers an all-day dining menu however there is also a wide range of excellent dining options within an easy walk and the staff are happy to make recommendations.

Location: Franschhoek

Our rating: ★★★★½



Boschendal

Set in the heart of the Cape Winelands, Boschendal blends heritage charm with contemporary luxury across a working wine and farming estate. Guests stay in beautifully restored Cape Dutch cottages and elegant farm retreats surrounded by vineyards, orchards and dramatic mountain views. Sustainability shapes every experience, from regenerative farming and ethical sourcing to seasonal produce grown on the estate itself. Dining is a highlight, with relaxed deli picnics, garden cafés and refined farm-to-table restaurants serving dishes paired with award-winning wines. Days can be spent wine tasting, cycling scenic trails, horse riding, exploring gardens or enjoying family-friendly activities.

Location: Pniel

Our rating: ★★★★½



Discover Hermanus

This vibrant coastal town is celebrated as having the best land-based whale watching in the world. Set amongst stunning mountains, cliff paths lead to pristine beaches, or simply take time to sit and enjoy the views over the stunning bay.



Marine Big 5 Safari

Join this unforgettable Marine safari, a thrilling eco-tour exploring the rich Dyer Island ecosystem, led by passionate marine biologists. There is opportunity to encounter the Marine Big 5 which include, whales, sharks, dolphins, seals and penguins. Species of whales and sharks will vary dependent upon the time of year (Apr-Nov). The trip seamlessly blends wildlife viewing with education about the crucial research and marine conservation initiatives the trip helps fund.

Departs: Daily (weather dependent)
Duration: 2 hours



Overberg Wine Tour

Renowned for having some of the best hidden gems of the South African wine industry are the vineyards of the Botriver, Stanford and Hemel-en-Aarde Valley. This private tour of the wine estates in this area, will reveal the distinct influence of the ocean and the surrounding towering peaks. There is also the opportunity to meet the wine makers, who discuss in depth the process adding an extra level of passion and knowledge to the tour.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 6 hours



African Penguin and Seabird Sanctuary

Visiting the African Penguin and Seabird Sanctuary is an inspiring experience. Guests can watch and learn about the process of rehabilitating marine birds, a much-needed sanctuary as species are critically endangered. Managed by the Dyer Island Conservation Trust, this state-of-the-art facility highlights vital ocean conservation efforts. Visitors enjoy informative educational exhibits, a cosy coffee bar, and browse the curio shop to support the rescue of endangered wildlife.

Departs: Daily
Duration: Hop on/off (8 hours maximum)



Sea Kayaking

Explore the magic of the unique coastline with its abundant marine life up close and personal in one of the stable kayaks in the company of an experienced guide. After a thorough briefing on kayaking techniques and safety, guests paddle from the historical Old Harbour and do a round trip, the direction dependant on winds, swells and paddling abilities. A knowledgeable guide shall open the wonders of the ocean while exploring the beautiful natural surroundings.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 2 hours



Grootbos Private Nature Reserve

Lying between the mountains and the sea, Grootbos Private Nature Reserve is a magnificent eco paradise that's a true melting pot of biodiversity and natural wonder. This southern tip of Africa is where the Atlantic and Indian Oceans meet, creating the perfect environment for the 'Marine Big Five' – whales, sharks, dolphins, seals and penguins. The accommodation has been designed to compliment its natural setting, whilst never compromising on comfort, and guests can choose between suites in the Garden or Forest Lodges or private villas. Stays are on a full board basis and include a range of signature experiences that cover a flora 4WD tour, guided nature walks and hikes, and horse riding. Located 2 hours from Cape Town and 30 minutes from Hermanus, on the way to the Garden Route, it fits effortlessly into self-drive of the Cape.

Location: Gansbaai

Our rating: ★★★★★



The Marine

Perched on a cliff overlooking Walker Bay, the Marine offers 40 rooms and suites, many with sea views. From June to November this is the ultimate location for land based whale watching, a truly unique experience, and if you have a sea view room you might even spy them from your window. Facilities include a courtyard swimming pool, gym and in-house day spa. The Pavillion is open for breakfast and dinner with alfresco dining available, whilst the Sun Lounge takes guests from their morning coffee through to sundowners and after dinner drinks against the stunning backdrop of Walker Bay.

Location: Hermanus

Our rating: ★★★★★



One Marine Drive

Originally built in 1888 as a Mission House, and later serving as the village school, this is a hotel steeped in history. Sitting in the centre of Franschhoek the hotel combines heritage design with creativity and charm. With just 17 rooms the atmosphere is calm and peaceful with elegant spaces to relax featuring bespoke pieces of art from local artists. There's a tranquil spa, outdoor pool and sunny breakfast room, and the hotel offers an all-day dining menu however there is also a wide range of excellent dining options within an easy walk and the staff are happy to make recommendations.

Location: Hermanus

Our rating: ★★★★½



Whale Rock Lodge

Whale Rock Lodge is located in the Westcliff area of Hermanus, a few minutes' walk from the famed cliff path, with its sensational panoramic views. This brings the shopping, attractions and excellent dining of Hermanus within easy reach. There are 17 rooms and suites, offering a blend of styles and views and all have a private patio or balcony. After a day exploring there is a peaceful lounge and a small outdoor pool, where guests can relax. Whale Rock Lodge is a charming blend of characterful buildings and thatched rooms, and is a truly welcoming place to stay.

Location: Hermanus

Our rating: ★★★★

Garden Route





Scenery Galore

The breathtaking mix of scenery along this 190 miles stretch of coastline, will leave you in awe. Dramatic mountain passes lead to inviting coastal views, whilst tranquil lagoons, ancient forests and sandy shores mean you will never be far away from a stunning view.



Charming Towns

Oudtshoorn reflects its Victorian heyday as the world's centre of ostrich feather production. Heading to the coast Wilderness and Knysna boast breathtaking views over their serene lagoons, whilst Plettenberg Bay is the vibrant coastal gem with stunning beaches and bustling cafés.



Easy Driving

The Garden Route is regarded by many as one of the best road trips in the world, due to its wide variety of scenery. The route mostly follows the coastline, there's lots of lovely towns to visit, distances aren't vast leaving you to slow the pace and enjoy the views.



Amazing Marine Life

The rich marine ecosystem has resulted in several Marine Protected areas, home to whales, sharks and dolphins, which are often sighted close to the shore or from boat trips from Plettenberg Bay. Knysna and its beautiful lagoon is also home to the rare and endangered Knysna Seahorse.



Flora & Fauna

The ancient forests and wild coastline and lakes create a fascinating and enchanting mix of ecosystems. From rich fynbos to forest trails, this is also home to indigenous forest animals and an impressive range of bird species.



Adventurers Playground

Beyond relaxing on the many pristine beaches, there is a wealth of adventure on offer. Hiking trails through forests or along coastlines, zip wiring, river kayaks or gentle boat trips along serene lagoons, there is so much to experience along the way.

Our Favourite Sightseeing Tours

Monkeyland Primate Sanctuary

Monkeyland is a free roaming primate sanctuary, the aim of which is to give the animals a healthier, more natural life and to raise awareness about the plight of these animals. Around 550 apes, monkeys and lemurs live at Monkeyland, living a natural life in the indigenous forest. On your guided tour you may see squirrel monkey, vervet monkey, Saki's, Capuchins or Lemurs and even if you don't see them, you will hear the Gibbons or Howler monkeys. Part of the tour crosses a 128m canopy walk for a bird's eye view of this primate paradise.

Location: Plettenberg Bay
Departs: Daily
Duration: 1 hour tour

Birds of Eden Sanctuary

Birds of Eden is a true free-flight bird sanctuary with a unique two-hectare dome, which spans over a gorge of indigenous forest and is the biggest in the world. Currently home to 1,500 birds from over 120 species. Most of the birds have a history of being caged and following a process of rehabilitation the enter the sanctuary. Some are malnourished, some have injuries, some are too friendly, some are too rude! Visitors can enjoy the beauty and diversity of both exotic and African bird species while observing their rehabilitation and integration into a natural environment.

Location: Plettenberg Bay
Departs: Daily
Duration: 1 hour tour

Tsitsikamma Canopy Tour

Located in the magnificent Tsitsikamma indigenous rainforest, this eco-adventure tour is a must for those seeking a thrilling yet sensitively planned experience. There are 10 ziplines that glide you up to 30m above the forest floor between ancient Yellowwood trees. The scenery and birdlife are spectacular, and professional guides ensure complete safety, while keeping you informed about the interesting features of the forest ecology.

Location: Storms River
Departs: Daily
Duration: 2-3 hours

Featherbed Nature Reserve

There are several ways to enjoy the stunning Knysna Lagoon, each of which will prove an unforgettable experience. Boat trips include sunset paddle boat trips serving light meals and bar, whilst a dinner cruise on the historic John Benn double-decker floating restaurant serves oysters and local craft beers. You can also combine a lagoon cruise and then a guided nature walk to reveal the breathtaking views of the Lagoon.

Location: Knysna
Departs: Daily
Duration: Varies



Fancourt



Set in the heart of the Garden Route, Fancourt is a luxury golf resort offering world-class Gary Player designed courses and 2 hotels. Lying against the beautiful backdrop of the Outeniqua Mountains, Fancourt offers a choice of rooms and suites, which are spacious and elegantly designed. The Manor House is a boutique property offering luxurious suites, a lounge bar and swimming pool and is an exclusive retreat for couples and adults over the age of 16. On-site guests will find a choice of restaurants that span everything from casual meals to fine dining, 2 further swimming pools, tennis, netball and basketball courts, fishing, walking and cycling trails, padel and lawn bowls. There's also an excellent spa and 4 golf courses.

Location: George, Garden Route

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

De Opstal Country Lodge



Sitting in a peaceful valley, a short drive from Oudtshoorn, De Opstal is a charming collection of Little Karoo farm buildings that have been here since the 1860s. The main farm house has been converted into quaint, en suite bedrooms and there is a collection of cottages, surrounded by gardens. Facilities include a swimming pool and restaurant and bar. Oudtshoorn is the ostrich capital of the world, however there are many ways to explore this naturally beautiful region. Lying between the Swartberg and Outeniqua mountains, this area is also home to the spectacular Cango Caves, Africa's largest accessible cave system.

Location: Outdtshoorn

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Periwinkle Lodge



Offering beautiful views over Robberg Beach and Peninsula, Periwinkle is a peaceful place to stop and explore whilst driving the Garden Route. The lodge is bright and airy with a breezy veranda, perfect for taking the panoramic ocean views and a sparkling swimming pool. There are 7 comfortable en suite rooms and all but 1 have sea views and a private balcony. With white walls and a soft colour scheme of marine shades, these rooms offers a relaxing retreat at the end of the day. Breakfast is included for all guests and there is a small but perfectly formed spa and fitness room on the lower floor.

Location: Plettenberg Bay

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Hog Hollow Country Lodge



Hog Hollow Country Lodge can be found within the private nature reserve of the same name, and is around 20 minutes' drive from Plettenberg Bay. Surrounded by nature and affording memorable views of the Tsitsikamma Mountains, this is a peaceful place to stay on the Garden Route. The hub of the lodge is the Boma Deck, overlooking the Matjies River Gorge this is where guests can relax with a glass of bubbles, a welcome cup of tea, or a sundowner, sink into comfy sofas and reflect on the day's adventures. 16 suites are set within the gardens around the main house, decorated in earthy tones with handcrafted artefacts, and a private deck where you can sit and soak up the sounds of nature. There's a pool area, a communal dining area and some lovely private dining spots too.

Location: Nr, Plettenberg Bay

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



The Old Rectory

This lovely hotel can be found in the heart of Plettenberg Bay and combines its heritage with charm and contemporary décor. Listed as a National Monument, the Old Rectory offers 18 stylish suites, which are bright and airy with vibrant splashes of colour, and vibrant pieces of South African art. A pretty pool area and deck is shaded by ancient milkwood trees, there's also a tranquil in-house spa featuring a range of treatments and therapies and a bistro-style restaurant that takes its menu inspiration from the wonderful produce available along the Garden Route. With sandy beaches and an array of excellent restaurants and bars within walking distance, this boutique hotel is a charming stop on any Garden Route itinerary.

Location: Plettenberg Bay

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



The Lofts Boutique Hotel

Set on Thesen Island, along the famous Garden Route, the Lofts is a distinctive waterside hotel housed within a restored timber boatshed that pays testament to the boat-building heritage of Thesen Island and is rooted in history. Overlooking the Knysna Lagoon there is a choice of rooms including the cosy north-facing balcony rooms, with private balconies and glimpses of the lagoon, lagoon view rooms with sunset views across the lagoon to the Outeniqua Mountains beyond, and the spacious 2-bedroom duplex loft apartments making them perfect for families or those who just like a little more space. Dining options include the popular Nest Food Bar and the famed Ile de Pain bakery. For guests who want to explore the calm waters and birdlife of the estuary canoes are available.

Location: Knysna

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



The St James of Knysna

Offering tranquil waterside views and beautifully landscaped gardens, the St James of Knysna is an elegant country-house style retreat set on the peaceful shores of the Knysna Lagoon. Its quiet location creates a sense of escape while still providing easy access to the shops, cafés, and restaurants of Knysna's lively Waterfront via a complimentary shuttle service. Guests can choose from a selection of spacious rooms and suites located in either the charming Manor House or the Courtyard, many featuring garden, pool, or lagoon views. Facilities include a dining room serving breakfast, 2 inviting swimming pools, a gym, and a putting green. Guests can also enjoy a complimentary lagoon cruise, make use of the canoes, or explore several world-class golf courses nearby.

Location: Knysna

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



The Beach Hotel

Overlooking Hobie Beach in Port Elizabeth (Gqeberha), The Beach Hotel enjoys a superb seafront setting and offers an easy, relaxed base for a coastal escape. With the promenade and ocean just steps away, it's perfectly placed for enjoying the city's beachfront atmosphere. The hotel features 58 spacious en suite rooms, with a choice of sea-facing views or quieter rooms arranged around the courtyard. Dining is a real highlight, with 3 on-site restaurants to suit every mood, from relaxed meals and the popular carvery at The Crest to a more refined experience at Ginger, which is regularly voted among the city's best restaurants. End the day with a drink on the ocean-facing veranda and watch the light fade over the bay.

Location: Gqeberha (Port Elizabeth)

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Eastern Cape Game Reserves

The Eastern Cape provides some of the country's most accessible game viewing. Reserves are usually within easy driving distance of Gqeberha (Port Elizabeth), they are malaria-free and all have amazing wildlife. Track the Big Five through the picturesque landscape with the help of an expert guide before spending the afternoon relaxing at your lodge or luxury camp.

We feature three reserves on the following pages:

Pumba – Home to the rare White Lion. Reconnect with nature and create memories that will last you a lifetime in complete luxury.

Amakhala – With 18,000 acres of Big Five territory and you are highly likely to have excellent sightings of rhino, lion, buffalo and elephant, while the more elusive animals encountered could include the Bat-eared fox, hyena or even a leopard.

Shamwari – with a variety of lodges, the reserve offers abundant wildlife, fauna and flora exclusive to the area and unforgettable encounters with nature.



Pumba Game Reserve

Pumba Private Game Reserve offers a classic safari experience in South Africa's malaria-free Eastern Cape, set within thousands of hectares of diverse bushveld and water-rich landscapes. The reserve is home to the Big Five, including rare white lions, along with abundant birdlife and a wide variety of plains game. Morning and evening game drives with experienced rangers provide excellent wildlife viewing throughout the year.

Conveniently located just a short drive from Gqeberha (Port Elizabeth), Pumba is easily accessible by road, making it an ideal addition to a Garden Route or Eastern Cape itinerary without the need for additional domestic flights.



Bush Lodge

Bush Lodge at Pumba offers an intimate safari retreat where nature is always close at hand. 11 glass-walled, thatched chalets blend seamlessly into the surrounding African bushveld, immersing guests in the sights and sounds of this pristine landscape. Each chalet features a four-poster bed, a spacious bathroom with a deep soaking tub, and a cosy fireplace for cooler evenings. Sliding doors open onto private timber decks complete with plunge pools and outdoor showers, perfect for quiet moments between game drives. For families or small groups, a 2-bedroom, 2-bathroom chalet provides generous space along with its own private deck and plunge pool, ensuring comfort and privacy throughout your stay.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Water Lodge

The Water Lodge chalets are built from stone and thatch and sit along the lakeshore, they all open on to timber viewing decks with private plunge pools affording wonderful views over Lake Cariga and the surrounding bush. The lake is home to a pod of hippo's and is often a busy watering hole for many of the animals on the reserve, making for great sighting from the comfort of your lodge. The 8 Impala chalets are comfortable and understated, with free-standing deep baths and separate showers. There are also 3 Gemsbok chalets which are larger with a comfy lounge area, perfect for relaxing after a busy day and the Kudu Suite, a 2-bedroom, 2-bathroom family chalet.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Game Drives & more

Experience the thrill of seeing wildlife in its natural environment, whether on an open Land Rover game drive or a guided walking safari. Expert rangers lead each experience, sharing their knowledge and helping guests build a deeper connection with the bush.

2 daily game drives are included at Pumba, offering excellent opportunities to encounter a variety of animals and enjoy other activities on the reserve.

After an early morning in the bush, the Nature's Health Spa at Bush Lodge provides a calm place to unwind. A range of restorative treatments in a peaceful setting helps guests relax and recharge body, mind and spirit.

Amakhala Game Reserve

Amakhala Game Reserve, set in the malaria-free Eastern Cape, offers a range of 3, 4 and 5-star owner-managed safari lodges and experiences. Covering 18,000 acres of Big Five territory, the reserve provides excellent opportunities to see rhino, lion, buffalo and elephant, with additional chances of spotting more elusive species such as bat-eared fox, hyena and leopard.

Accommodation is spread across 10 luxury properties, including restored country houses, safari lodges and tented camps in different areas of the reserve. Each offers a distinct experience within the landscape. 3 lodges are highlighted below; if your preferred option is not shown, please ask for further information.

Bush Lodge

Bush Lodge is set in the spectacular Amakhala Reserve in an open valley flanked by rolling hills and lush riverine vegetation. Here, discreetly tucked into the bush, is an intimate lodge of 8 tented, en suite, thatched suites, a memorable base from which to explore this rustic slice of the African wild. Private plunge pools, open decks and alfresco double-showers set the stage for the perfect bush retreat. The main lodge boasts a spacious lounge and viewing deck with impressive panoramas over the game-filled plains. There's also an outdoor pool deck, safari spa experiences and guided bush walks. Twice daily game drives take guests in search of the Big Five.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Safari Lodge

Sitting in a valley of indigenous bush at the northern boundary of the Amakhala Reserve, the striking stone-capped rooftops of Safari Lodge, welcome guests to a rustic, African tribal-style retreat. 11 safari suites combine thatched roofs, solid walls and canvas open drop blinds that open fully to reveal uninterrupted views of the bush with private plunge pools, some looking directly out to the waterhole. The main lodge has a lovely boma area where guests can relax by the fire. Day and night game drives ensure ample opportunity for guests to spot the Big Five, as well as giraffe, wildebeest and zebra. For guests booking a 3-night stay there is also the chance to discover the Addo National Elephant park as well.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Bukela Game Lodge

Home to excellent game viewing, the abundant wildlife includes lions, cheetah, black and white rhinos, elephants, giraffes, zebras and buffalo. Bukela offers 10 luxury safari tents with an open-plan lounge, fireplace and wraparound deck with panoramic views over the valley, and 4 luxury suites. These thatched suites are spacious, with indoor and outdoor showers, bathrooms with bush views and private decks. Wooden walkways connect the suites to the main lodge. Enjoy wonderful meals in the main dining rooms, or under the stars on in the lodge boma, relax on the deck overlooking the waterhole or by the pool. Morning and evening game drives take guests in search of the Big Five, there are also wilderness walks and birding safaris and spa treatments available.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Shamwari Game Reserve

Nestled in South Africa's malaria-free Eastern Cape, Shamwari Game Reserve offers an unforgettable safari experience in one of the country's most accessible wilderness areas. Just an hour from Gqeberha (Port Elizabeth), this private reserve spans over 25,000 hectares of diverse landscapes, from river valleys and bushveld plains to rocky hills and open grasslands.

Shamwari is celebrated for its thriving populations of the Big Five - lion, leopard, elephant, rhino, and buffalo, alongside cheetah, giraffe, hippo, zebra, and hundreds of bird species. Conservation sits at the heart of the reserve, with wildlife rehabilitation and anti-poaching initiatives playing a key role in daily operations. The reserve offers 6 lodges and a explorer camp, 3 lodges are showcased below, if your preferred option is not shown please ask for further details.



Bayethe

Named after the African greeting pronounced By-ye-ti, which translates to ' I salute you', guests here are assured the warmest of welcomes. Cocooned in lush vegetation, Bayethe offers a feeling of tranquillity and seclusion, with fabulous views of the African bush. 12 luxury tented suites are a blend of canvas and glass and contemporary African design, 3 have thatched roofs and all have an outdoor shower and deck with private plunge pool. The main lodge offers a spacious lounge and deck overlooking the waterhole with indoor and outdoor dining. Game drives take place at sunrise and sunset, other activities include bush walks, birding, and a safari spa experience.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Eagles Crag

Offering uninterrupted views of the surrounding rocky crags, where eagles soar, Eagles Crag features 9 junior suites created from thatch, stone and glass, creating a striking, modern and minimalist design in an incredible location. All have a deck with private plunge pool and an outdoor shower. The main lodge includes a lounge, bar and fireplace, upper deck with aerial viewing pods and a fire pit, billiard lounge, fitness centre and indoor and outdoor dining. The lodge blends perfectly with its location, enabling guests to fully immerse themselves in the majesty of the African bush.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Riverdene Family Lodge

Surrounded by a wealth of natural beauty, Riverdene overlooks the wide plains of the Eastern Cape and is designed with families in mind. It's the perfect place to introduce children to the wonders of the natural world. The lodge offers 4 luxury family rooms, 3 have 2 bedrooms and 1 has 3 bedrooms. Each room has a private safari vehicle and children over the aged of 4 are welcome on the game drives. Although within the Shamwari reserve, Riverdene is fenced enabling families to enjoy the gardens, outdoor pools and outdoor veranda, there's also a swimming pool with a shallow section, kids club and adventure centre.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

KwaZulu-Natal





Beaches

The KwaZulu Natal coastline is dotted with beautiful beaches all washed by the warm waters of the Indian Ocean. Umhlanga boasts a lively promenade and an iconic lighthouse, whilst Ballito Beach is a much-loved spot for dolphin spotting. Further north the remote beaches of the Elephant Coast offer pure escapism.



Mountains

KwaZulu-Natal's mountains rise dramatically in the Drakensberg Mountains, where the UNESCO-listed uKhahlamba-Drakensberg Park offers sweeping trails and ancient rock art. Hike beneath Cathedral Peak, explore Giant's Castle, and drive the dramatic Sani Pass for unforgettable high-altitude views.



Battlefields

KwaZulu-Natal's battlefields changed the course of South African history. Visit Isandlwana Battlefield, where Zulu warriors defeated British forces in 1879, and nearby Rorke's Drift, famed for its dramatic defence. Spion Kop offers sweeping views and moving stories from the Anglo-Boer War.



Zulu Culture

Zulu culture is a vibrant, living heritage shaped by tradition, storytelling and community. In the Valley of a Thousand Hills, local markets, craft workshops and rural homesteads offer an authentic glimpse of daily life. The legacy of Shaka Zulu, founder and first king of the Zulu Kingdom still shapes identity today.



Safari

Safari experiences in KwaZulu-Natal combine rich wildlife with diverse landscapes. Hluhluwe–iMfolozi Park is one of Africa's oldest reserves and a stronghold for rhino conservation. The region is also home to South Africa's first UNESCO World Heritage Site, iSimangaliso Wetland Park.



Midlands

The Midlands is a scenic countryside region of rolling hills, forests and farmland. Along the Midlands Meander, artisan studios, farm cafés and craft breweries invite relaxed exploration. Enjoy walking trails, horse riding and cosy country stays, a peaceful contrast to the coast and safari adventures.

Our Favourite Sightseeing Tours

Durban City Tour

There is no city in South Africa quite like Durban, its subtropical coastal climate, warm seas, safe swimming beaches leads to a beach lifestyle of walks on the beach, swimming, surfing or promenade cycles. Drive along Durban's beachfront, the Golden Mile to the uShaka Marine World aquarium and to see newly regenerated harbour area. Into the hustle and bustle of the city with its art deco buildings to the neo baroque City Hall. It is here that the multicultural nature of Durban comes to life, as you pass roadside sellers, mosques and Hindu temples and the Victoria Street market. Visit the Durban Botanic Gardens and conclude with a visit to the Moses Madiba football stadium.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 3-4 hours

Midlands Meander and Mandela Capture Site Tour

Depart Durban, head away from the city into the gently rolling countryside towards Pietermaritzburg, the Capital City of Kwazulu-Natal, and Howick. View Howick Falls, a spectacular display and visit the site where Nelson Mandela was captured on 5th Aug 1962. Continue perhaps via local arts and crafts shops, to one of the highlights of the day: Ardmore Ceramics. Over the years, Ardmore's artists have won numerous awards and exhibited widely in South Africa and around the world. Continue towards Nottingham Road, and after a light lunch in the area, and further browsing in the arts and crafts shops, we return to Durban in the afternoon.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 7-8 hours

Battlefields Tour

A full day tour to Isandlwana & Rorke's Drift, two of the sites where the British and Zulu Nations clashed in bloody battle. Be transported back in time by the narrator and specialist Battlefields Guide, who will reveal the challenges, heroic tales and cunningly intricate strategies used by both armies in these historic massacres. The tour departs Durban around 6am and travels first to Isandlwana Battlefield where the British experienced one of its most devastating defeats in the Anglo-Zulu wars. After 2 hours here, proceed on to Rorke's Drift, a moving story of how 150 British troops defended their garrison against a far larger Zulu force which inspired the much loved film Zulu. After touring here for 2 hours, you will head back to Durban arriving around 7pm.

Departs: Daily
Duration: 12+ hours

Hluhluwe Safari Tour

This early dawn departure enables us to enjoy an exciting full day, possible 'Big 5' photo safari. We travel north into the heart of Zululand to visit the oldest Game Reserve in South Africa, the Hluhluwe & Imfolozi National Park. It was here that the famous White Rhino breeding project was initiated and implemented with great success. This reserve is host to the 'Big 5' as well as many other exciting wildlife species. The area is also renowned for its exceptional birding. A break will be taken for lunch at around midday, when the animals tend to seek the cool of the denser vegetation. You will be treated to a light lunch at one of the picnic spots in the Reserve. Our adventure will resume for a few hours in the early afternoon, before returning home, cameras filled with footage of Africa's wildlife at its best!

Departs: Daily
Duration: 12+ hours



The Capital Pearls



Overlooking the Indian Ocean in Umhlanga, The Capital Pearls fuses beachfront views with contemporary apartment-style living. Set just steps from Umhlanga's iconic promenade and lighthouse, the resort offers sweeping sea views and easy access to restaurants, boutiques, and coastal walks. Spacious suites feature modern kitchens, stylish living areas, and private balconies designed for relaxed, self-catered stays. Guests can unwind beside the infinity pool, enjoy direct beach access, or explore the lively Umhlanga village atmosphere nearby.

Location: Umhlanga

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

The Oyster Box



This gracious hotel offers charm and hospitality on the Umhlanga beachfront, just a 15 minute drive from King Shaka International Airport. 86 individually decorated rooms and suites afford garden or ocean views from private terraces and balconies. The choice of restaurants includes the Palm Court, perfect for afternoon tea, fine dining in the Grill Room and the Ocean Terrace where fresh seafood and the highly regarded daily curry buffet is a firm favourite. This is also lovely spot to relax and soak in the views over the Indian Ocean, and if you hear a bell ring it's because dolphins have been spotted. A relaxing spa can be found in the gardens, and there are 2 swimming pools, one facing the sea and the other tucked into the gardens.

Location: Umhlanga

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Cleopatra Mountain Farmhouse



Tucked into the Kamberg Valley, close to the Giant's Castle Nature Reserve, Cleopatra's is a gourmet retreat where excellent food sits alongside a wealth of activities. Sitting on a trout-filled dam on the alongside the Little Mooi River, with the soaring Drakensberg Mountains as your backdrop, this is a beautiful place to stay. 11 rooms and suites are individually decorated with cosy fireplaces and garden or water and mountain views. The dining is superb with the 5-course evening meal a signature of all stays here, and the perfect end to a day spent hiking, trout fishing, and exploring the huge number of artisans and craft makers that can be found in the region.

Location: Kamberg Valley

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Cathedral Peak Hotel



Nestled in the unspoiled surroundings of the Drakensberg mountain range lies Cathedral Peak Hotel, which first opened to guests in 1939. The surrounding mountains and range of activities, including 18 hikes that leave and return from the hotel, is what draw guests back to this hotel time and time again. Facilities include a wellness centre, 9-hole golf course, games room, open air swimming pool, gym and a daily entertainment programme. There are 104 rooms offering a choice of accommodation which is simple in style but comfortable and have a private terrace or balcony. The dining room serves extensive buffets for breakfast, lunch and dinner, there are also 2 bars, a terrace with stunning views and a communal lounge area.

Location: Central Drakensberg

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Fugitives Drift

Owned by the Rattray family, Fugitives Drift gives guests the opportunity to explore Isandlwana and Rourke's Drift, central to the Anglo-Zulu war which took place in 1879. This is also where Lieutenants Melville and Coghill lost their lives. It's an historic and atmospheric place to stay and the history of the property is evident throughout whilst tour guides bring the past to life vividly. The Lodge is on the site of the original homestead and offers 10 spacious rooms with panoramic views over the plains flanking the Buffalo River. The Guest House features 6 rooms with garden views. Both have a swimming pool and offer superb dining. Flagship Battlefield tours take place daily and there is a Battlefield Kids programme for younger guests.

Location: Rourke's Drift

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Thanda Safari Lodge

The multi-award winning Thanda Safari reserve can be found in the wildlife-rich northern region of KwaZulu-Natal and is home to the Big Five. The Safari Lodge has 9 suites, each offering spacious living and sleeping spaces, a heated plunge pool and outside sala or 'resting area' overlooking the reserve. The central dining and gathering area is where guests can relax and mingle, there's a welcoming lounge, expansive deck and library overlooking the waterhole and a superb wine cellar. Morning and evening game drives take place daily, there are guided bush walks on foot, photography safaris and a range of cultural and community experiences. Other accommodations include Thanda Tented Camp, Villa iZulu, and the Royal Thanda Club.

Location: KwaZulu- Natal

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Leopard Mountain Safari Lodge

Located in the Manyoni Private Game Reserve, this vast expanse of wilderness is home to excellent game viewing of not just the Big Five but endangered species including pangolin, wild dog, cheetah and black rhino. 9 stone chalets with timber decks, thatched roofs, private plunge pools, outdoor showers and views that go on for miles, offer every creature comfort. Alongside the twice daily game drives other experiences include animal tracking, rhino horn trimming, pangolin conservation, visits to the rhino orphanage and cultural tours.

Location: Hluhluwe

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Makakatana Bay Lodge

Lying at the heart of South Africa's first UNESCO World Heritage Site, iSimangaliso Wetland Park, this wonderful lodge offers wildlife encounters, incredible bird watching, boat safaris and beach excursions on the shores of Lake St Lucia. Renowned for its incredible diversity wetlands, grasslands, forests and marine environment, this area supports a vast array of wildlife. The safari lodge is privately owned with 8 spacious suites offering private decks, indoor and outdoor bathrooms and memorable views over the wetlands. Activities includes daily game drives in the park, and in the Hluhluwe-iMfolozi Game Reserve as well as boat excursions on Lake St Lucia and beach safaris. Families are welcome with children over the age of 6 can participate in game drives.

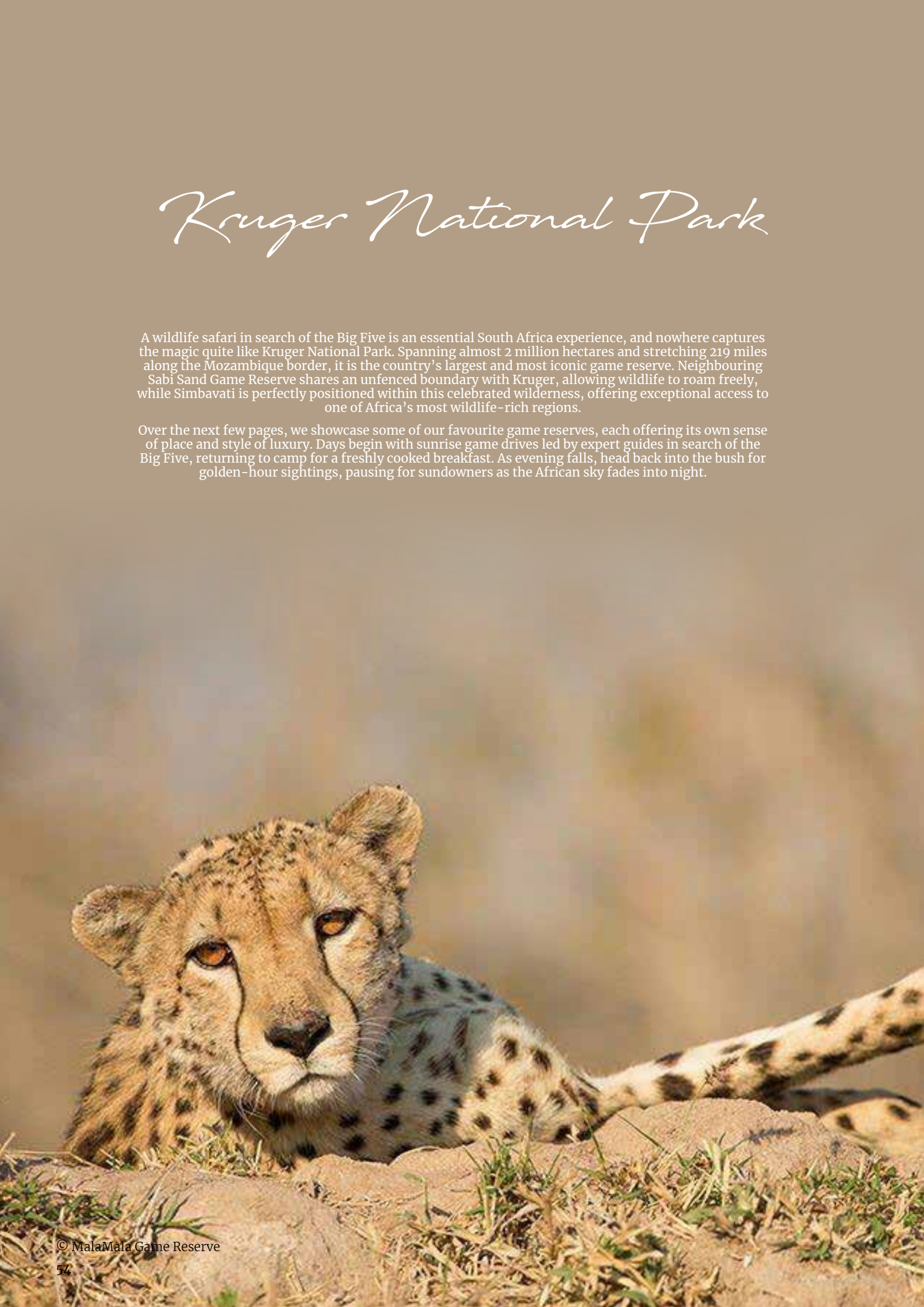
Location: Lake St Lucia

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Kruger National Park

A wildlife safari in search of the Big Five is an essential South Africa experience, and nowhere captures the magic quite like Kruger National Park. Spanning almost 2 million hectares and stretching 219 miles along the Mozambique border, it is the country's largest and most iconic game reserve. Neighbouring Sabi Sand Game Reserve shares an unfenced boundary with Kruger, allowing wildlife to roam freely, while Simbavati is perfectly positioned within this celebrated wilderness, offering exceptional access to one of Africa's most wildlife-rich regions.

Over the next few pages, we showcase some of our favourite game reserves, each offering its own sense of place and style of luxury. Days begin with sunrise game drives led by expert guides in search of the Big Five, returning to camp for a freshly cooked breakfast. As evening falls, head back into the bush for golden-hour sightings, pausing for sundowners as the African sky fades into night.



© MalaMala Game Reserve

Garonga Private Reserve

Garonga lies within the vast 27,000 hectare Greater Makalali Private Nature Reserve, just north of Hoedspruit in Limpopo. Home to the Big Five, the reserve is also habitat for cheetahs, wild dogs, hyenas, hippos, crocodiles and an abundance of birdlife. Ensuring a wildlife viewing experience that is both personal and immersive.

The lodge is committed to sustainability and the 3 camps run on solar power. Alongside the game drives, tracking and wilderness walks, Garonga boasts a range of specialist activities including outdoor candle-lit bush baths and a treetop sleep-out deck.

Garonga Safari Camp

Expect a wonderfully immersive stay at Garonga Safari Camp, where the wild beauty of the South African bush meets safari-style romance. 6 luxury en suite tents blend canvas canopies with rustic-stone walls and private decks with a hammock to lie back and spot the wildlife. Four poster beds and indoor and outdoor showers complete the experience. There's a main lodge, swimming pool, campfire and boma, and private dining spots are also available.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



MCH Private Tented Camp

As a canvas tented camp, MCH Private Tented Camp embodies authentic safari style and is the ideal choice for family or friend groups looking for a private and intimate bush getaway. Perched on a kopje (little hill), guests enjoy panoramic views of the wild Makalali and Drakensberg Mountains beyond. The 4 luxury tents offer air-conditioning, are fully en suite with a sumptuous bathtub and indoor and outdoor showers. Each features a well-stocked bar and indoor lounge that flows outside onto a private deck. There are indoor and outdoor dining areas, and a bush boma and firepit, perfect for pre-dinner drinks.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Little Garonga

Little Garonga offers the ultimate experience with just 3 beautiful thatched suites, each with a raised deck, complete with hammock and stunning bush views. They are located around centralised indoor and outdoor lounges, with a swimming pool overlooking the bush. Little Garonga is perfect for honeymooners and romantic retreats. As a self-contained and run lodge, there is a private team of staff ready to meet all guests needs. For a small family or friends group, Little Garonga is also an ideal exclusive-use lodge for a special safari experience. There is a 2-bedroom luxury villa, sleeping up to 4 with its own private plunge pool, and 2 1-bedroom suites each sleeping 2.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Sabi Sabi Private Game Reserve

Set within the wildlife-rich Greater Kruger, this private reserve delivers a truly unforgettable safari experience. Just an hour's flight from Johannesburg, it feels wonderfully remote while remaining effortlessly accessible. 4 distinctive luxury lodges- 3 of which are featured below, offer refined comfort in the heart of the bush. With no fences between Sabi Sabi and the neighbouring Kruger National Park, Big Five wildlife roams freely across 54,000 hectares, creating the perfect setting for unhurried, intimate and thrilling encounters with Africa's iconic animals trough dawn and dusk safaris, guided walks and nocturnal experiences.



Bush Lodge

Bush Lodge is the heart of Sabi Sabi, steeped in tradition and a welcoming blend of authentic tradition and luxury. This family-friendly lodge has 23 luxury suites and 2 private villas, designed with privacy in mind, each offering a flowing open plan design and views over the bushveld. Superb dining, outdoor dining, 2 pools, gym, boma, Elefun Children's Centre and spa all add to the experience.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Little Bush Camp

Whilst this might be the smallest of the lodges at Sabi Sabi, Little Bush Camp is big in character. This intimate camp has just 6 lodges in a unique riverside location offering a beautiful setting, abundant wildlife and superb dining. Each suite flows out to a private deck with days beds, lounges and a spa bath, the lodge also has a swimming pool, boma and outdoor lounge.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Selati Camp

The 4 lodges of Sabi Sabi are themed around today, tomorrow and yesterday. The wonderfully evocative Selati Camp is yesterday, where whispers that tell of authentic safaris and classic adventure await. 7 elegant suites boast bathrooms with indoor and outdoor bath tubs and private decks styled with a nod to the past but with every creature comfort and luxury required. Dining is a delight whether in the privacy of your suite, in the historic farmhouse kitchen or on the thatched safari deck, and as dusk falls the soft glow of shunters' lanterns adds to the romantic ambience.

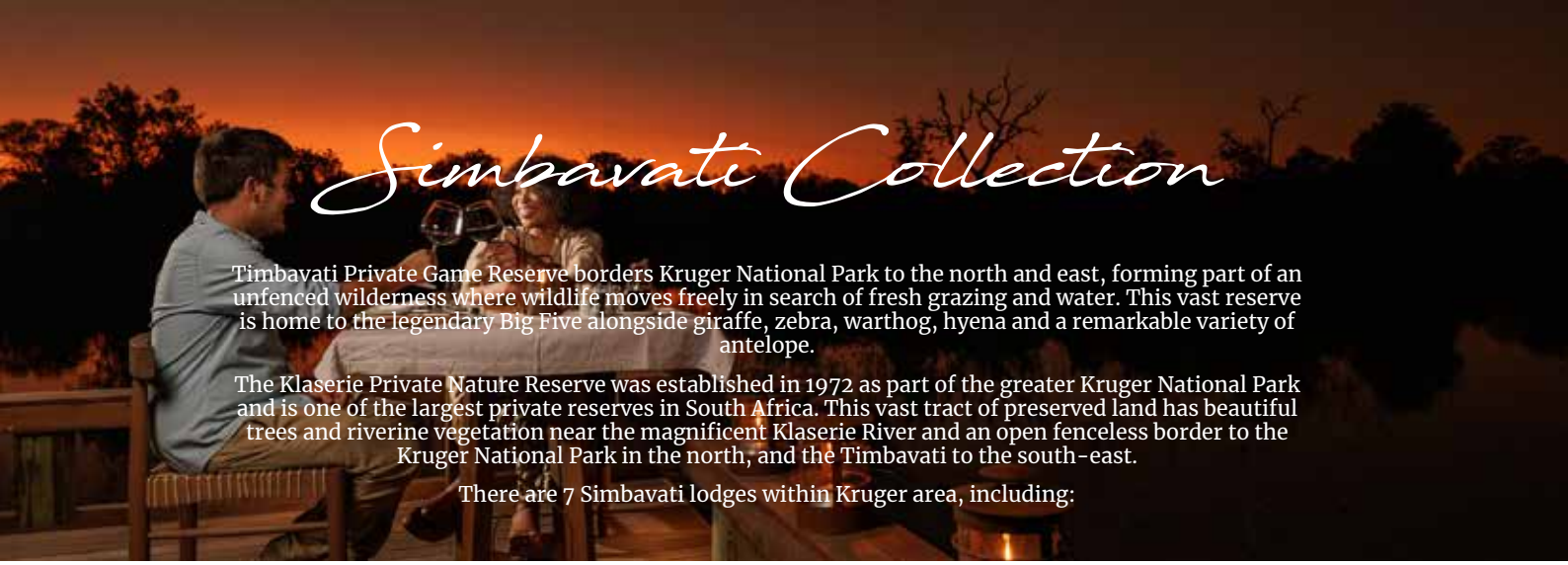
Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Earth Lodge

Built in complete harmony with its surroundings, Earth Lodge brings a unique concept in luxury lodge design to the African bush. 13 luxurious suites, including an impressive presidential suite, are sculpted into the earth boasting indoor/outdoor lounges, private plunge pools, expansive bush-view decks and marble bathrooms. Meals can be enjoyed in any number of settings including the day bar, wine cellar or privacy of your suite. There's also a spa, and an outdoor boma lit by flaming braziers and the stars from the night sky above.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Simbavati Collection

Timbavati Private Game Reserve borders Kruger National Park to the north and east, forming part of an unfenced wilderness where wildlife moves freely in search of fresh grazing and water. This vast reserve is home to the legendary Big Five alongside giraffe, zebra, warthog, hyena and a remarkable variety of antelope.

The Klaserie Private Nature Reserve was established in 1972 as part of the greater Kruger National Park and is one of the largest private reserves in South Africa. This vast tract of preserved land has beautiful trees and riverine vegetation near the magnificent Klaserie River and an open fenceless border to the Kruger National Park in the north, and the Timbavati to the south-east.

There are 7 Simbavati lodges within Kruger area, including:

Hilltop Lodge

Simbavati Hilltop Lodge has one of the most spectacular locations in the Timbavati Private Game Reserve. Perched on a hillside guests can enjoy sweeping views of the bush and distant Drakensberg Mountains. 8 tented suites offer views over the bushveld and of the dam and Nhlaralumi River below, where wildlife frequently gathers. French doors open to a viewing deck with a private plunge pool and sala pavilion, perfect for a snooze after the early morning game drive. The main lodge boasts a wraparound deck and bar with 360° views, dining tent and alfresco dining area, infinity pool, fire pit and boma camp fire for dining under the stars.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



River Lodge

Tucked onto the banks Nhlaralumi River, Simbavati River Lodge gives a front row seat to the spectacle of nature with a busy waterhole just beneath the dining deck, a popular gathering spot for elephants. This family-friendly lodge has 6 tented safari suites with a game viewing deck, private plunge pool, spacious en suite and outdoor rain shower, plus 2 tented pool suites, which are more secluded with plunge pools, that can prove popular with the elephants! There are also 3 2-bedroom family chalets, a safari spa, fitness centre and a Cubs Club kids centre.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Waterside

Set within the southern Klaserie Private Nature Reserve, Simbavati Waterside flanks a large dam and throughout the year countless species come to quench their thirst and cool off, it is an incredibly personal and immersive experience. 8 beautiful suites feature a palette of natural colours and textures, there are 4 luxury suites with a wonderful game viewing deck, 2 of these have a small private plunge pool, and 4 family suites with 2 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms. There's a bush boma for dinner under the stars, a beach boma – eye level with the dam, a wine cellar, bar, lounge, spa, gym and safari boutique.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Rhino Post Safari Lodge





Contemporary design amidst the wilderness of the Kruger National Park

Rhino Post Safari Lodge offers an intimate and immersive safari experience within the vast wilderness of the Kruger National Park. Located in a private concession on the park's western border, the lodge sits along the banks of the seasonal Mutlumuvi River, an area known for its untouched landscapes and exceptional wildlife viewing. Far from the busier southern sections of Kruger, this tranquil setting delivers a sense of exclusivity and true connection to the African bush.

The surrounding concession forms part of one of Africa's most celebrated wildlife reserves, home to the iconic Big Five – lion, leopard, elephant, buffalo and rhino – alongside an extraordinary diversity of other species. Guests can expect encounters with giraffe, zebra, hippo, crocodile and numerous antelope species, while bird enthusiasts will appreciate the prolific birdlife found in this riverine environment. With limited vehicle access in the private concession, game drives feel uncrowded and personal, offering a more authentic safari experience guided by expert rangers and trackers who bring the bush to life through their knowledge and storytelling.

Accommodation at Rhino Post Safari Lodge blends contemporary comfort with understated safari elegance. Elevated on wooden stilts and constructed using canvas, wood and glass, 8 spacious suites are designed to complement the surrounding environment while maximising views of the riverbed and bush. Each suite features a private deck, indoor and outdoor showers, and open-plan living spaces that invite the sights and sounds of the wilderness inside. The main lodge area includes a welcoming lounge, bar and dining space, all opening onto expansive viewing decks where wildlife is often spotted passing by. There's also a swimming pool overlooking a waterhole, and in-room spa therapies available.

Experiences at the lodge focus on meaningful immersion in the natural surroundings. Twice-daily game drives reveal the changing moods of the bush, while guided walking safaris offer a thrilling opportunity to explore on foot and learn about the smaller details often missed from a vehicle. Evenings bring relaxed dinners under the stars and time to unwind beside the fire, sharing stories of the day's sightings.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★





Jock Safari Lodge

The Kruger's original safari lodge

Jock Safari Lodge lies in the southern reaches of the Kruger National Park, where the Mitomeni and Biyamiti rivers meet in a private concession celebrated for its rich biodiversity and consistent Big Five sightings. This exclusive setting places guests within one of the most wildlife-dense areas of the park, where riverine forests, open savannah and rocky outcrops create a varied habitat that attracts an impressive range of species throughout the year.

The area has exceptional game viewing, particularly for predators and large herds drawn to the permanent water sources. Lion, leopard, elephant, buffalo and rhino roam freely, alongside cheetah, hyena, giraffe and an abundance of antelope. Birdlife is prolific, with fish eagles, kingfishers and colourful bee-eaters often seen along the riverbanks.

Main Jock Lodge blends classic safari style with warm, contemporary comfort. 12 thatched suites are thoughtfully positioned to maximise privacy and views, each featuring spacious interiors, air-conditioning, and a private plunge pool overlooking the river or surrounding bushveld. Natural materials and earthy tones create a sense of connection to the landscape, while generous decks offer a peaceful place to watch wildlife pass by. The main lodge provides welcoming lounge and dining spaces, a pool area and sweeping viewing decks that invite guests to relax between safari activities. Fitzpatrick's At Jocks, is an exclusive use villa ideal for small groups and families complete with its own staff and dedicated ranger and game viewing vehicle.

Early morning and late afternoon game drives reveal the most active wildlife hours, while guided bush walks offer a fascinating perspective on the smaller details of the ecosystem, from tracks and plants to insects and birds. Evenings bring lantern-lit pathways, fireside drinks and atmospheric dinners beneath the stars, creating a classic safari ambience.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Honeyguide Khoka Moya





An authentic tented safari camp in Manyeleti

This charming bush camp offers a relaxed and down-to-earth safari experience in the Manyeleti Game Reserve, a vast protected wilderness adjoining the Kruger National Park and the renowned Sabi Sands and Timbavati reserves. With no fences between these areas, wildlife moves naturally across the landscape, creating outstanding opportunities for sightings in a setting that feels refreshingly uncrowded.

This wild and varied terrain supports an impressive concentration of animals, including the Big Five. Lion and elephant are regularly encountered, while leopard, buffalo and rhino also roam the reserve alongside cheetah, wild dog, giraffe and numerous antelope species. Seasonal changes bring different highlights throughout the year, from dramatic predator activity to prolific birdlife that thrives around waterholes and open grasslands. Game drives are led by knowledgeable rangers and trackers who focus on sharing insight into animal behaviour, ecology and conservation, creating a rewarding and educational safari experience.

The camp itself embraces the charm of classic tented safaris while providing modern comfort. Raised canvas suites sit on wooden platforms and are thoughtfully spaced to ensure privacy and uninterrupted bush views. Inside, the design is simple yet inviting, with comfortable furnishings, en suite bathrooms and outdoor showers that enhance the sense of being immersed in nature. Private decks offer a quiet place to rest between activities, while the central lodge area features an open lounge, dining space, swimming pool and a sociable firepit that becomes the heart of the camp after sunset.

Each day unfolds with early morning and late afternoon game drives, timed to coincide with peak wildlife activity. Guided walks provide a chance to slow the pace and focus on the smaller details of the ecosystem, from animal tracks to plant life and bird calls. Evenings bring relaxed dinners and time to unwind beneath the night sky, listening to the sounds of the bush.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★





Olivers Restaurant & Lodge

Country house style in scenic Mpumalanga

Set in lush Lowveld countryside just outside the small town of White River, Oliver's Restaurant & Lodge offers a relaxed base for exploring Mpumalanga's most iconic landscapes and wildlife areas. Positioned on the White River Country Estate, overlooking the first green of the championship White River Golf Course, the property enjoys a peaceful rural setting while remaining within easy reach of Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport, the Panorama Route and the world-famous Kruger National Park.

Owner-managed and family run, the lodge blends Austrian elegance with warm African hospitality, creating a welcoming "home-away-from-home" atmosphere. The accommodation is made up of individually styled rooms and suites, ranging from exclusive doubles and luxury rooms to spacious executive suites and family options. Interiors combine classic European touches with subtle African influences, while generous bathrooms, fireplaces and private balconies overlooking the golf course add comfort and character. Many rooms feature cosy sitting areas and outdoor spaces that invite lazy mornings and relaxed evenings after a day of exploring.

Food is central to the experience here and the lodge's renowned restaurant serves continental and Mediterranean-inspired cuisine. Guests can expect seasonal menus crafted from fresh, locally sourced ingredients that are paired with fine South African wines from the intimate wine cellar. During the day, the swimming pool and Wellness & Beauty Centre provide opportunities to unwind with massages, facials and body treatments.

Oliver's is perfectly positioned for discovering the highlights of Mpumalanga. Visitors can spend early mornings on safari in nearby Kruger National Park or visiting private reserves in search of the Big Five. It's location on the spectacular Panorama Route, gives easy access to highlights such as God's Window, Bourke's Luck Potholes and the Blyde River Canyon which reveal dramatic escarpments, waterfalls and sweeping viewpoints. Golf enthusiasts can tee off right on the doorstep, while day trips to nearby attractions, scenic drives and local markets offer a gentler pace.

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Discover Gauteng & Beyond

Gauteng, is steeped in culture, commerce and history. It is home to the cities of Pretoria and Johannesburg. In the neighbouring provinces a wide variety of non-malarial game reserves can be easily accessed, providing an excellent safari experience.



City Experiences

Dig deep and you will find that Johannesburg is a vibrant city of contrasts, some fascinating tours will take you to Soweto or into Maboneng, whilst there are shopping, restaurants and bars. Pretoria is the administrative capital of South Africa and home to Union Buildings, the site of Mandela's 1994 presidential inauguration. Every October the city's jacaranda trees bloom giving the city's skyline a blanket of purple.



History and Culture

A diverse melting pot where distinct Africa heritage seamlessly blends with modern, world class infrastructure. It started with the discovery of gold in the late 1800's, then became pivotal in the anti-apartheid struggles to the site drafting the new democratic constitution. Whilst NW of Johannesburg is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, The Cradle of Humankind, where some of the oldest hominid fossils were found.



Wildlife

Easily accessible from Gauteng several, malaria free, game reserves provide excellent safaris, making this an ideal option for a family safari. Reserves include the scenic Waterberg and Welgevonden area, to the highly accessible Pilanesburg National Park. A few hours further lies the Madikwe Game Reserve, famed for its great guides, excellent sightings and its incredibly productive waterholes.



Sightseeing

A range of sightseeing tours are naturally available highlighting the history and diverse culture of Gauteng. For a deeper understanding of the Anti-Apartheid struggle a visit to Soweto combined with the Apartheid Museum is a must. Aside of the usual city tours, options to discover the vibrant and eclectic arts and food scene make for a surprising and fun afternoon.



The Peech Hotel

The Peech is a charming, boutique hotel in the suburb of Melrose, just a short taxi ride from the main shopping and dining areas. There are 32 rooms and suites with a vibrant, modern feel and all have a private patio or balcony overlooking the lush gardens. Guests can choose between 2 restaurants, the Garden Restaurant, which is exclusively for in-house guests and offers relaxed, casual dining, and award-winning The Pot Luck Club, there's are also 2 outdoor pools and access to an adjacent gym for a small charge. The hotel has been certified as a 'Fair Trade in Tourism' hotel since 2010 following responsible tourism policies and supporting a range of initiatives including Little Eden, a charitable home that cares for children and young adults with severe physical and intellectual disabilities.

Location: Melrose, Johannesburg

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Lush Private Lodge

Just a 3 hour drive from Johannesburg bordering the Pilanesberg National Park is the Lush Private Lodge, a boutique game lodge with warm Italian hospitality at its finest. Accommodation comprises of 8 suites, styled in a contemporary African style, all have plunge pools and fold back glass doors, immersing the room into its surroundings. Dining is centred around a mix of African heritage mixed with Lush's Italian influences. The team will surprise you with starlight dinners, dinner in the wine cellar or ever popular Boma evenings that bring all guest together. Activities range from game drives, or bush walks, and spa treatments and wine tastings are also on offer.

Location: Pilanesberg National Park

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Tintswalo Waterberg

Located in the Welgevonden Reserve, which is home to the Big Five and more than 50 other mammal species, this family friendly lodge is a tranquil spot in the heart of the African bush. The intimate style of lodge caters for a maximum of 20 guests at any one time and children of all ages are welcome. There are 5 suites offering 1, 2 or 3 bedrooms and the honeymoon suite has a private plunge pool. There's a lovely pool area overlooking the bush, and 2 games drives per day are included. Children over the age of 6 are welcome on the game drives, younger visitors can enjoy a bush bumble with child friendly activities.

Location: Limpopo

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Impodimo Game Lodge

Perched on a hillside in the Madikwe Game Reserve, Impodimo Game Lodge offers 8 glass-fronted suites with fireplaces, indoor and outdoor showers and private decks. Within the main lodge guests will find a swimming pool, library, wine cellar, dining spaces and guest lounge and an open air boma. In room massage treatments are available and a lovely way to relax after a morning drive. Two game drives per day take guests into the unique topography of Madikwe, which is home to the Big Five, African wild dogs, cheetah and brown and spotted hyenas. Bush walks are also available to learn the art of tracking game. Children of all ages are welcome at Impodimo and those over the age of 6 years may join the game drives.

Location: Madikwe Game Reserve

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

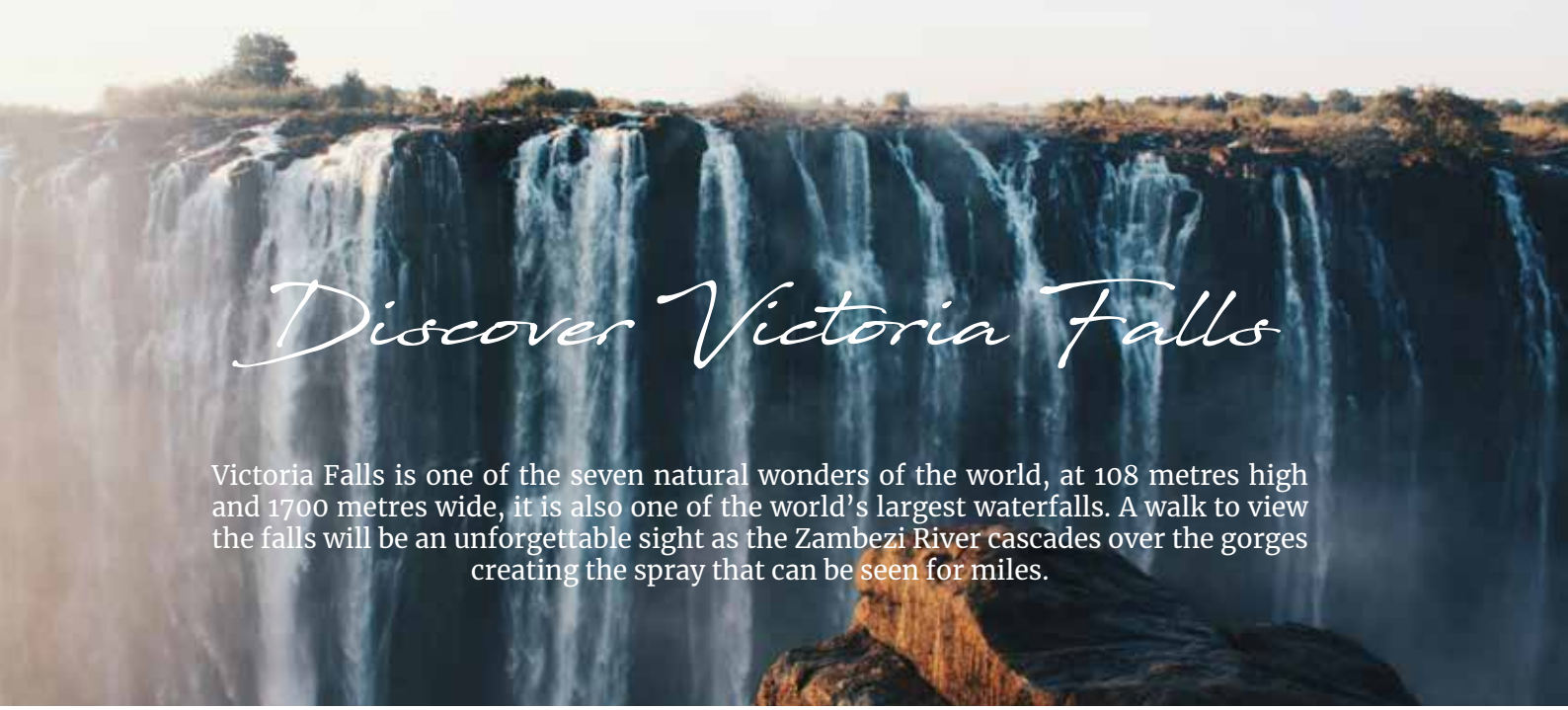
Zimbabwe

Zimbabwe delivers a safari experience that feels both adventurous yet relaxed. Renowned for dramatic scenery, rich wildlife and warm welcome, the landscapes are vast and varied, shifting from lush riverbanks to golden savannah and ancient woodland. The mighty Zambezi River flows along the northern border feeding into Victoria Falls, one of the world's greatest natural wonders. Known locally as "The Smoke That Thunders", its mile-wide curtain of cascading water creates rainbows, misty viewpoints and unforgettable sunset cruises along the Zambezi River.

Beyond the falls, wildlife takes centre stage in Hwange National Park, the country's largest and most celebrated safari reserve. Huge elephant herds roam the plains, while lion, leopard, buffalo and wild dog thrive in this diverse wilderness. Game drives and walking safaris reveal the rhythm of the bush, guided by expert trackers who bring every sighting to life.




Mana Pools
Lake Kariba
Harare
Victoria Falls
Hwange
National Park
Matopos Hills
Great Zimbabwe
Ruins
ZIMBABWE



Discover Victoria Falls

Victoria Falls is one of the seven natural wonders of the world, at 108 metres high and 1700 metres wide, it is also one of the world's largest waterfalls. A walk to view the falls will be an unforgettable sight as the Zambezi River cascades over the gorges creating the spray that can be seen for miles.



Tour of the Falls

The Tour of the Falls will be a fascinating and fun way to see and fully understand this incredible spectacle. Guided by knowledgeable experts, walk through the rainforest to key viewpoints as your guide explains the history of the falls and how it was formed. The various viewpoints offer breathtaking views to experience the sheer power as the waters thunder over the towering cliffs.

Departs: Daily, year round
Duration: 2 hours



Zambezi River Cruises

Cruising along the Zambezi River is a great way to relax and enjoy the beauty of this iconic river. Spot hippos, crocodiles or elephants and an amazing birdlife as you drift along. A number of cruises dining options with the chance to enjoy a meal inspired by local flavours, however the most popular is a Sundowner Cruise, drinks and nibbles are served as the sunsets over the Zambezi creates an unforgettable evening on the water.

Departs: Daily, year round
Duration: 2 - 3½ hours (depending on cruise)



Flight of the Angels

Take a helicopter flip for the ultimate view of the falls, to experience the scale and beauty and revealing why the falls were described by David Livingstone as 'Scenes so lovely; they must have been gazed upon by angels in their flight'. Flights vary in length and the pilot fly circuits over the falls for optimum views. An exhilarating and astounding way to view the falls.

Departs: Daily, year round
Duration: 12 or 25 minutes



Looking for something different

Victoria Falls town blends a rich colonial heritage with bustling adventure tourism, lively craft markets and some rich cultural and historical experiences. Take dinner on a vintage steam train, village visits where you can cook local dinners or for the more adventurous canopy zip wires, bridge swings or canoeing on the Zambezi, there is so much to see and do.



Batonka Guest Lodge

This lovely guesthouse sits within tranquil gardens on the edge of Victoria Falls Town, just a 5 minute drive, or 15-minute walk from the falls themselves. 27 comfortable rooms feature canopied beds with shady verandas that look out over the pretty gardens or the pool area and are set throughout the grounds. Guests enjoy indoor and alfresco dining spaces, a cosy lounge with a fireplace for the cooler months, 2 swimming pools and a twice daily shuttle into the town or to the falls.

Location: Victoria Falls Town

Our rating: ★★★★½



The Palm River Hotel

With an enviable location on the banks of the Zambezi River, the Palm River Hotel lies just upstream from Victoria Falls, and within easy reach of Victoria Falls Town. Influenced by elegant Queenslander-style architecture, the style suits the climate perfectly with lots of timber and shady balconies. The hotel was also built with sustainability in mind with solar and hydro-electricity, and on-site greenhouses and herb gardens to support the hotel kitchen. A choice of rooms and suites offer views of the riverside gardens and Zambezi River beyond, and feature locally sourced materials and works of art. Choose to dine in the elegant dining room, or under a canopy of trees by the river, relax by the pool or enjoy one of the river cruises that take place throughout the day.

Location: Victoria Falls

Our rating: ★★★★½



Ivory Lodge

This welcoming and rustic lodge has an excellent location on a private concession on the edge of the Hwange National Park. Daily game drives and walking safaris take guests into the park where sightings can include herds of buffalo, elephants and predators ranging from lions, leopard and cheetah to painted dogs, hyenas and jackals. It's also a paradise for bird lovers. 9 treehouse-style thatched rooms offer simple but comfortable accommodation, with balconies overlooking a watering hole, popular with a local herd of elephants. The lodge also has a swimming pool and can arrange visits to the Painted Dog Conservation Centre.

Location: Hwange National Park

Our rating: ★★★



Camp Hwange

Sitting in a private concession within the Hwange National Park, this traditional camp offers wonderful immersion in the wild. The guides here are incredible and share their passion and expertise with guests through bush walks, tracking, log pile hides and game drives. The diversity of the landscape supports an incredible array of wildlife from elephants, buffalo, hippo and giraffe, plus lion, spotted hyena, cheetah, leopard and wild dog. Guests are accommodated in 8 thatched, canvas-walled suites, lying either side of the main lodge, which houses an open-sided lounge and dining area with wonderful views towards the waterhole. There's a guest library, reservoir-style swimming pool, and fire-pit for early mornings watching the dawn come to life and marvelling at the night skies.

Location: Hwange National Park

Our rating: ★★★★★





Victoria Falls

4 days

This 3 night package is an easy optional extension to any wider African itinerary as direct flights operate to and from Victoria Falls between Johannesburg, Cape Town or Nairobi, making it easy to include the stunning Victoria Falls into an itinerary.

Day 1: Victoria Falls

Arrive Victoria Falls Airport where you will be met and transferred to your hotel, where you will spend the following 3 nights. At leisure to explore the town of Victoria Falls.

Hotel: Batonka Guest Lodge, 3 nights

Day 2 & 3: Victoria Falls

Over the next couple of days, enjoy a morning guided tour of Victoria Falls, watch the sunset over the Zambezi River on a Sundowner Cruise and take an exhilarating flight by helicopter over the falls. (B)

Day 4: Departure

A transfer back to Victoria Falls Airport where the onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)

Package Includes

- 3 nights' accommodation
- Breakfast in Victoria Falls
- Guided tour of Victoria Falls, Sundowner Cruise and Flight of Angels
- All transfers as shown
- Sightseeing as detailed

Departs: Daily





Rovos Rail and Victoria Falls

9 days

This itinerary combines Rovos Rail on a journey from Pretoria to Victoria Falls. With stops in Matobo National Park and Hwange National Park, before arriving at the historical Victoria Falls, this trip will take you back to a nostalgic era for which the area is famed.

Day 1: Pretoria

Arrive Johannesburg and transfer to your hotel.

Hotel: The Peech Hotel, 1 night

Day 2: Rovos Rail

You will be collected from your hotel and transferred to Pretoria for the late afternoon departure of Rovos Rail to Victoria Falls. Relax and enjoy dinner as the train travels northwards towards the Zimbabwean border. (B,D)

Hotel: 4 nights Rovos Rail (Pullman Suite)

Day 3: Rovos Rail

Continue the journey through South Africa, crossing the border into Zimbabwe late afternoon. Dinner is then served as the journey welcomes you to southern Zimbabwe. (B,L,D)

Day 4: Rovos Rail

As the train ascends into Bulawayo lunch is served before an afternoon visit to the Matobo National Park where you will visit rock art and the grave of Cecil John Rhodes. Rejoin the train as it continues its journey.(B,L,D)

Day 5: Rovos Rail

As breakfast is served the train travels along one the world's longest stretches of straight lines, bordering the Hwange National Park. After lunch enjoy a game drive into the park before returning to the train for dinner. (B,L,D)

Day 6: Victoria Falls

After breakfast the train will arrive at Victoria Falls where you will be met and transferred to your hotel. (B)

Hotel: Royal Palm Hotel, 3 nights

Day 7 & 8: Victoria Falls

Over the next couple of days, enjoy a morning guided tour of Victoria Falls, watch the sunset over the Zambezi River on a Sundowner Cruise and take an exhilarating flight by helicopter over the falls. (B)

Day 9: Departure

A transfer back to Victoria Falls Airport where the onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)

Package Includes

- 8 nights' accommodation
- Breakfast in Victoria Falls
- All meals and drinks (except French champagne) on board Rovos Rail
- Sightseeing as detailed
- All transfers as shown

Departs: Selected dates

Taste of Zimbabwe

8 days

This captivating itinerary includes some of the best of Zimbabwe, the iconic Victoria Falls with tours included to marvel at the falls, before venturing into the vast wilderness of the incredible Hwange National Park. Not only will this tour leave you with some amazing experiences, but the warm hospitality of this with the fun and gentle Zimbabweans ensures an unforgettable holiday.

Highlights

Victoria Falls – Tour of Falls
Flight of Angels – Sundowner Cruise
Hwange National Park Safari

Tour Includes

- 7 nights' accommodation
- Breakfast in Victoria Falls
- All meals & selected drinks, game viewing at Camp Hwange
- Sightseeing as detailed
- All transfers as shown
- Flight from Johannesburg/Victoria Falls/ Victoria Falls

Departure Dates

Departs: Daily

Day 1: Victoria Falls

Depart Johannesburg mid-morning for flight to Victoria Falls. On arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel. At leisure to explore the town of Victoria Falls

Hotel: Palm River Lodge, 3 nights

Day 2 & 3: Victoria Falls

Over the next couple of days, enjoy a morning guided tour of Victoria Falls, watch the sunset over the Zambezi River on a Sundowner Cruise and take an exhilarating flight by helicopter over the falls. (B)

Day 4: Hwange National Park

This morning transfer to the airport for your flight transfer to Hwange National Park. Upon arrival you will meet the guide from your lodge who will transfer you back to the lodge which is located in the northern part of the reserve.

Hotel: Camp Hwange, 4 nights

Day 5-7: Hwange National Park

Enjoy morning and afternoon game drives in the park or take a walking safari with your guide. Hwange is renowned for its high elephant populations and magnificent lion sightings. The animals congregate around the parks pumped waterholes and make for a memorable game viewing experience.

Day 8: Departure

A transfer back to the local airstrip for your flight back to Victoria Falls where your onward travel arrangements can be tailored to your requirements.



Wildlife



Victoria Falls





Camp Hwange Game Drive

Botswana

Botswana is a safari destination defined by vast wilderness, remarkable wildlife and a strong commitment to conservation. Travel here is truly immersive, with low visitor numbers and pristine landscapes that stretch as far as the eye can see. At the heart of the country lies the extraordinary Okavango Delta, the largest inland delta in the world, where waterways weave through islands and floodplains. Exploring by mokoro canoe or on guided walks brings you close to elephants, hippos and abundant birdlife in one of Africa's most unique ecosystems.

In the north, Chobe National Park is famed for its dense wildlife populations and unforgettable river cruises, while the dramatic landscapes of the Savute area reveal predator-rich plains shaped by the mysterious Savute Channel. Nearby, Moremi Game Reserve combines lagoons, woodland and savannah, offering some of the most diverse game viewing in Africa.




Linyanti
Tsodilo Hills
Chobe
Savute
Okavango Delta
Moremi
Game Reserve
Central Kalahari
Game Reserve
Southern Salt pans
Tuli Block
Kalahari Desert
Botswana

Botswana





Chobe National Park

The Chobe National Park is found in northern Botswana and unfolds across floodplains, riverfront and teak woodland, creating one of Africa's richest ecosystems. The Chobe River draws vast herds of elephant and buffalo, as well as lion, leopard and prolific birdlife. Easily accessible from Victoria Falls this is a great introduction to a Botswana Safari.



Moremi Game Reserve

The Moremi Game Reserve sits in the heart of the Okavango Delta and is a patchwork of floodplains, lagoons, reed-lined channels and seasonal waterways. This diverse ecosystem supports a thriving population of lion, leopard, rare wild dogs, large elephant herds and a myriad birdlife. A safari here truly gives a wonderful all round Botswana experience.



Okavango Delta

Spreading from the Kalahari Desert, the Okavango Delta is the largest inland delta in the world. Seasonal floods transform the dry plains into lush wetlands where huge herds of elephants' wade and hippos wallow and it plays host to one of Africa's most diverse concentrations of wildlife including lion, leopard, spotted hyenas, African wild dogs, zebra and giraffe.



Savute

Located in southern Chobe, Savute is famed for the Savute Channel which erratically and ebbs and flows. This region is known for its high density of predators and concentrations of elephant. During the dry season visitors can expect to see zebra, wildebeest and buffalo in large numbers around Savute Marsh.



Makgadikgadi Pans

The otherworldly expanse of the Makgadikgadi Plans is a vast plain of shimmering, white salt flats. The summer rains bring a magical transformation, as the pans fill with water, evolving into a lush, shallow wetland that is a haven for flamingos, pelicans and migrating herds of zebra and wildebeest.



Central Kalahari Game Reserve

The Central Kalahari Game Reserve is one of the world's largest protected areas. The ancestral home of the San people, this vast area evokes a timeless history. Characterized by vast grasslands and fossilized river valleys, it serves as a crucial sanctuary for diverse wildlife, including black-maned lions, cheetahs, and wild dogs.



Chobe Game Lodge

Established more than 50 years ago, Chobe Game Lodge is the only permanent lodge within the Chobe National Park. Sitting on the banks of the game-rich Chobe River and shaded by magnificent mahogany trees, the lodge has an enviable position and affords guests the opportunity to view wildlife from the land and the water. The focus of the lodge is the river and a 250-metre boardwalk which overlooks both this and the wildlife-rich floodplain. 40 spacious rooms and 4 suites are beautifully furnished and feature private terraces facing the river. The suites also offer private plunge pools. Lodge experiences include game drives and river safaris, and there is a pool, day spa and gym. Guests can choose from a number of dining spaces including private dinner spots overlooking the river, there's also a riverside boma and 2 bars.

Location: Chobe National Park

Our rating: ★★★★★



Camp Moremi

Found in the heart of the beautiful Moremi Game Reserve, Camp Moremi overlooks the Xakanaxa Lagoon and offers guests the opportunity to spot lions, cheetahs, elephants and leopards, and occasionally wild dogs. These incredible wetlands also support vast numbers of antelope, and prolific birdlife. Morning and afternoon game drives are led by expert guides and explore the variety of ecosystems that exist in the park. There is also the opportunity to explore the lagoon and network of water channels by boat. 12 thatched safari tents sit on raised platforms, beautifully designed to reflect the beauty of their surroundings, and offer en suite bathrooms and private decks with views over the reserve. The hub of the camp centres around the sunken bar and expansive lounge. There's also a library, elevated dining area, open-air boma and swimming pool.

Location: Moremi Game Reserve

Our rating: ★★★★



Camp Okavango

Set in Botswana's magnificent Okavango Delta, the largest inland delta in the world and an intricate maze of lagoons, lakes and hidden channels, Camp Okavango offers guests exceptional water-wilderness experiences. Just 11 safari suites and 1 2-bedroom-2-bathroom family suite ensures this is a very personal and peaceful safari stay. Each suite is built onto raised wooden platforms with a private open-air viewing deck of the delta. The main areas of the lodge, lounge, dining room, library and bar are connected through a network of walkways. There are 2 open-air fire pits and a deck with a swimming pool. As you would expect, the focus here is on water-based activities, where you will navigate through the waterways by motorboat or in the quiet, old-fashioned way, by mokoro (dugout canoe). Guided bush walks and birdwatching are also available.

Location: Hwange National Park

Our rating: ★★★★½



Savute Safari Lodge

This lovely camp sits on the banks of the Savute Channel, an enigmatic waterway that is known for flooding and drying at will. This area is known for one of the largest summer zebra migrations in Africa, as they move from the rivers in the north to the lush grasslands and full waterholes in the south. The timing is determined by the rains but usually occurs between November-December and February-April. This is one of Botswana's most popular wildlife destinations. 11 timber chalets rise above the savannah offering panoramic views, there is also a 2-bedroom family chalet. The lodge's communal areas include wonderful indoor and outdoor lounges, and multi-level decks perfect for spotting the numerous elephants that are frequent visitors. There's also a dining area, bar, and pool overlooking a waterhole.

Location: Chobe National Park

Our rating: ★★★★

Best of Botswana

9 days

This fly in safari is an exciting combination of the best of Botswana's safari areas. Starting in Chobe before travelling on to Savuti highlights two differing areas of this northern region. The trip then shifts landscape to the waterways of the Okavango Delta before finishing in the Moremi Game Reserve.

Highlights

Chobe National Park – Savute
Okavango Delta – Moremi Game Reserve

Tour Includes

- 8 nights' accommodation
- All meals, local brand drinks
- Game viewing and park fees in Botswana
- All transfers
- Light aircraft transfers between camps
- Flights Johannesburg/Kasane and Maun/Johannesburg

Departure Dates

Departs: Daily (excludes Jan-Feb)

Day 1: Chobe National Park

Fly from Johannesburg to Kasane where you will be met and transferred to your lodge situated in the Chobe National Park. Enjoy an afternoon boat cruise on the Chobe River. (D)

Hotel: Chobe Game Lodge, 2 nights

Day 2: Chobe National Park

Today you have the option of participating in morning or afternoon game drives, or a further boat ride on the river. (B, L, D)

Day 3: Savute

You will be transferred back to Kasane for your flight transfer to the Savute, where you will be met and transferred to your lodge. Enjoy an afternoon game drive. (B, L, D)

Hotel: Savuti Safari Lodge, 2 nights

Day 4: Savute

Today, enjoy morning or afternoon game drives. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Okavango Delta

Transfer to the local airstrip for your flight transfer to the Okavango Delta. Transfer to your camp. Enjoy an afternoon game drive. (B, L, D)

Hotel: Camp Okavango, 2 nights

Day 6: Okavango Delta

Today you have the option of participating in morning or afternoon game drives, or mokoro/boat rides on the delta. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Moremi

Transfer to the local airstrip for your flight transfer to the Moremi Game Reserve. Transfer to your camp. Enjoy an afternoon game drive. (B, L, D)

Hotel: Camp Moremi, 2 nights

Day 8: Moremi

Today you have the option of participating in morning or afternoon game drives, or mokoro/boat rides on the delta. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Departure

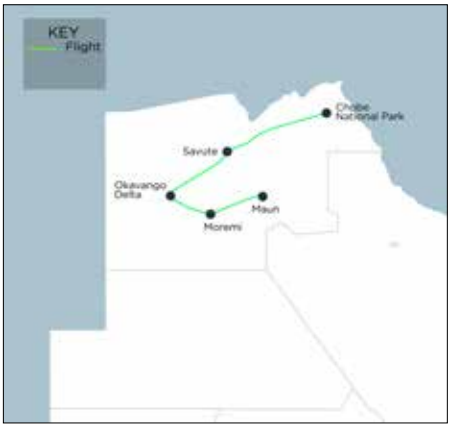
Transfer to the airstrip for your flight transfer to Maun. Upon arrival, you will be met and assisted to your flight to Johannesburg where the onward travel arrangements can be tailored to your requirements. (B)



Chobe Game Lodge - River Safari



River Wildlife





Okavango Delta

Botswana, Chobe River Cruise and Victoria Falls

11 days

Combine a safari in the wondrous Okavango Delta, a contrasting river cruise on the Chobe River, and end with a relaxing break in Victoria Falls.

Highlights

Okavango Delta – Savute – Chobe River Cruise – Victoria Falls

Tour Includes

- 10 nights' accommodation
- Breakfast in Victoria Falls
- All meals, local brand drinks, game viewing and park fees in Botswana
- All meals, local brand drinks and sightseeing on the river cruise.
- Sightseeing as detailed
- Light aircraft transfers between camps
- Private transfers
- Flights Johannesburg/Maun and Victoria Falls/Johannesburg

Departure Dates

Departs: Mondays, March to December

Day 1: Okavango Delta

Fly from Johannesburg to Maun, then connect with light aircraft transfer to the Okavango Delta. Transfer to your camp. Enjoy an afternoon game drive. (D)

Hotel: Camp Okavango, 2 nights

Day 2: Okavango Delta

Today you have the option of participating in morning or afternoon game drives, or mokoro/boat rides on the delta. (B,L,D)

Day 3: Savute

After your morning safari activity, transfer to the local airstrip for your flight to Savute. Transfer to your next lodge. Afternoon game drive. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Savuti Safari Lodge, 2 nights

Day 4: Savute

Today, enjoy morning or afternoon game drives. (B,L,D)

Day 5: Chobe River

After your morning safari activity, transfer to the local airstrip for your flight to Kasane. You will be met and transferred across the border into Namibia where you will join the river cruise. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Zambezi Queen, 3 nights

Day 6: Chobe River

Breakfast is served as the boat cruises along the river. There is an optional morning visit to a local village before returning to the boat for lunch. Enjoy afternoon game viewing by tender boat. (B,L,D)

Day 7: Chobe River

Today's options include further game viewing by tender boat or a game drive in the Chobe National Park (extra charges apply). (B,L,D)

Day 8: Victoria Falls

Transfer back to Kasane, where you will be met for your private transfer to Victoria Falls, followed by a transfer to your hotel. (B)

Hotel: Palm River Hotel, 3 nights

Day 9: Victoria Falls

After breakfast, enjoy a guided tour of Victoria Falls. The afternoon is at leisure to explore and enjoy Victoria Falls. (B)

Day 10: Victoria Falls

Spend the day at leisure before joining a sunset cruise on the Zambezi River. (B)

Day 11: Departure

Transfer to Victoria Falls Airport for your return flight to Johannesburg, where your onward travel arrangements can be tailored to your requirements.



Savute



Victoria Falls



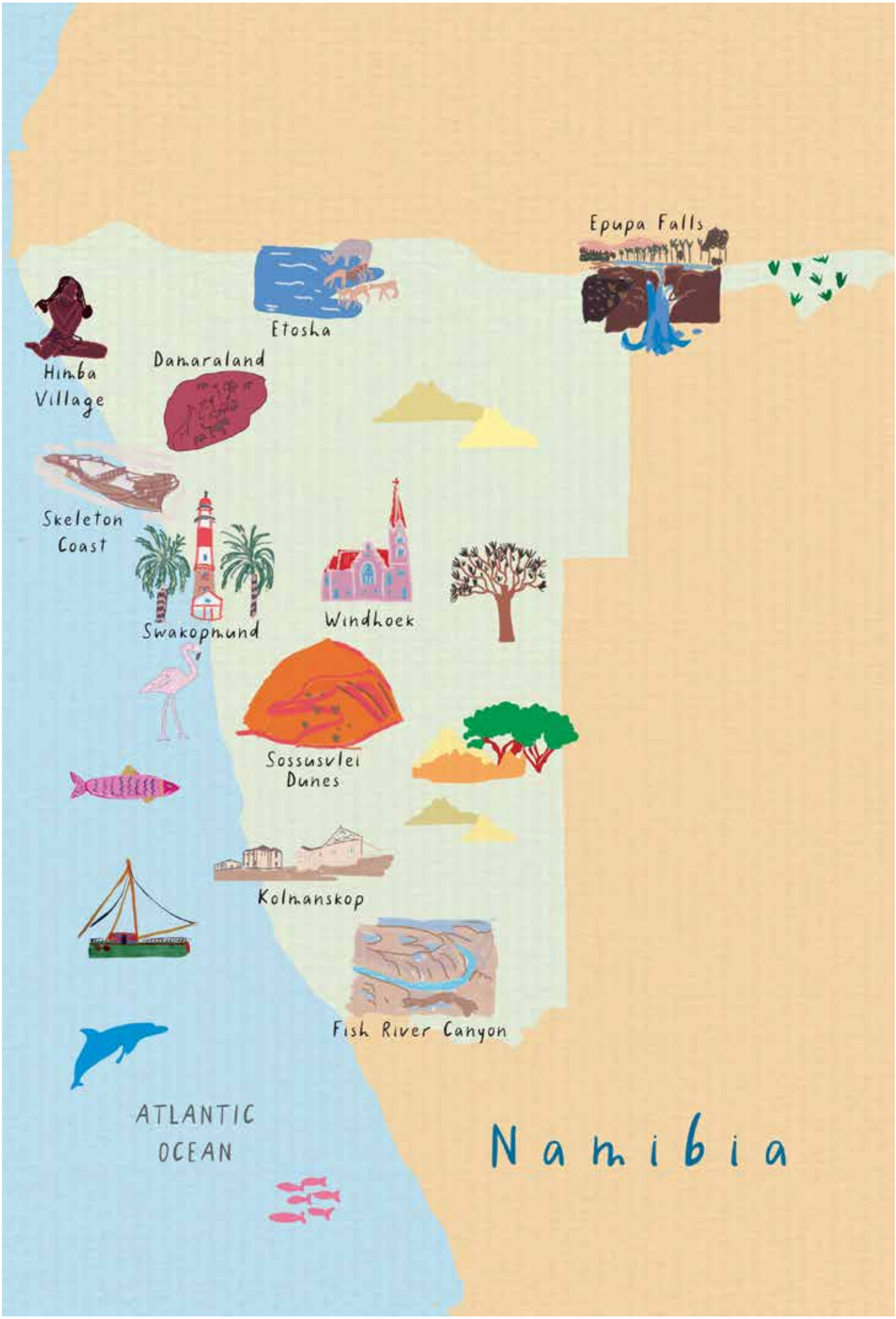


Okavango Delta

Namibia

Namibia is a land of extraordinary contrasts, where vast desert landscapes meet dramatic coastlines and untamed wilderness. From the towering red dunes of Sossusvlei to the rugged beauty of the Skeleton Coast, this remarkable country offers some of Africa's most breathtaking scenery. Etosha National Park is one of the continent's finest wildlife destinations, where waterholes attract elephant, lion, rhino and vast herds of game. Beyond the safari experience, Namibia's endless open spaces, clear night skies and striking natural beauty create a true sense of adventure. Discover ancient canyons, remote desert camps and fascinating cultures, from the Himba communities of the north to the German colonial charm of Swakopmund. Whether exploring dramatic landscapes or enjoying exceptional wildlife encounters, Namibia offers an unforgettable journey through one of Africa's most captivating destinations.




Epupa Falls
Etosha
Himba Village
Damaraland
Skeleton Coast
Swakopmund
Windhoek
Sossusvlei Dunes
Kolmanskop
Fish River Canyon
ATLANTIC OCEAN
Namibia

Namibia Areas





Sossusvlei

Sossusvlei is one of Namibia's most iconic and breathtaking landscapes, where towering red sand dunes rise dramatically above vast white clay pans. Located within the Namib-Naukluft National Park, this extraordinary desert region is renowned for its ever-changing colours, skeletal trees and striking scenery.



Swakopmund

Swakopmund is a charming coastal town where its German colonial heritage meets the dramatic Atlantic coastline. Explore colourful streets, enjoy fresh seafood and discover a wide range of activities from dolphin cruises to desert excursions, in one of Namibia's most distinctive destinations.



Damaraland

Damaraland offers an unforgettable glimpse into Namibia's wild and untamed beauty. Characterised by rugged mountains, vast open plains and ancient rock formations, these extraordinary landscapes have a real sense of isolation. It is also home to desert-adapted animals and a number of fascinating archaeological sites.



Skeleton Coast

The Skeleton Coast is one of Namibia's most remote and hauntingly beautiful regions, where towering dunes meet the wild Atlantic Ocean. Famous for its windswept beaches, shipwrecks and dramatic desert scenery, this untamed coastline offers a true sense of wilderness and isolation.



Etosha

Renowned for its vast salt pan and open savannahs, Etosha National Park is an exceptional and rewarding wildlife destination. Waterholes scattered across the park attract elephant, lion, rhino, giraffe and large herds of antelope, creating unforgettable safari experiences throughout the year.



Kavango Region

The Kavango Region offers a striking contrast to Namibia's desert landscapes, with lush riverbanks, dense woodlands and rich wildlife along the banks of the Okavango River. This scenic northern region is renowned for its birdlife, traditional villages and tranquil waterways.

Best of Namibia

12 days

This 12-group tour is expertly guided to cover Namibia's most dramatic landscapes. The towering dunes of the Namib Rand Desert to the charming seaside town of Swakopmund where the refreshing seaside air will give way to the vast landscapes of Damaraland. The tour ends with a safari in the awe inspiring Etosha National Park.

Highlights

Windhoek – Namib Desert – Sossusvlei
Swakopmund – Damaraland
Etosha National Park – Windhoek

Tour Includes

- 11 nights' accommodation including porterage
- 10 Meals: 9 breakfasts, 1 picnic lunch
- Transportation including toll fees in air-conditioned vehicles
- Services of a professional English-speaking tour guide
- Entrance fees as specified in the itinerary

Departure Dates

Departs: Selected dates
Group Tour maximum 20 guests

Day 1: Windhoek

Arrive in Windhoek, transfer to your hotel.

Hotel: Windhoek Luxury Suites or similar, 1 night

Day 2: Namib Desert

Depart Windhoek to Sossusvlei area, known for its highest sand dunes in the world. Afternoon is at leisure at the lodge. (B)

Hotel: Elegant Desert Lodge or similar, 2 nights

Day 3: Namib Desert

Visit the Namib Naukluft National Park for a spectacular sunrise. Afterwards, visit the nearby Sesriem Canyon. (B)

Day 4-5: Swakomund

A long drive today will take you through beautiful landscape of the Kuiseb Canyon to Swakopmund, with a visit to Walvis Bay en route. Enjoy a day at leisure. (B)

Hotel: Hansa Hotel or similar, 2 nights

Day 6: Damaraland

Head northwards to the diverse Damaraland area, home to the elusive desert elephant. Arrive at your lodge in the afternoon. (B)

Hotel: Ondjamba Hills or similar, 2 nights

Day 7: Damaraland

An early morning nature drive to find the illusive desert elephant. After picnic lunch return to camp for afternoon at leisure. (B,L)

Day 8-9: Etosha

Visit Twyfelfontein's rock art before travelling to the Etosha National Park, where you will arrive at your accommodation. The day is devoted to exploring the Etosha National Park, home to over 114 different species of game. (B)

Hotel: Etosha Safari Camp or similar, 2 nights

Day 10: Etosha

Travel across the park enjoying game viewing en route. Arrive at the lodge during the afternoon, where the rest of the day is at leisure. (B)

Hotel: Sachsenheim Guest Farm or similar, 1 night

Day 11: Windhoek

Drive southwards back to Windhoek, arriving back in Windhoek late afternoon. Drop off at your hotel for a further night. (B)

Hotel: Windhoek Luxury Suites or similar, 1 night

Day 12: Departure

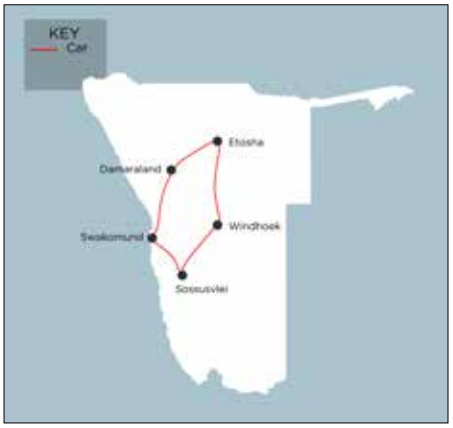
A transfer back to Windhoek Airport where the onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)



Sossusvlei



Etosha





Damaraland

Namibian Explorer

14 days

This self-drive tour allows you the freedom of the road to explore the highlights of Namibia. Navigate empty desert roads, climb the monumental sand dunes of Sossusvlei, venture to the coastal dunes of Swakopmund before heading through Damaraland to Etosha, where you can explore the watering holes packed with wildlife.

Highlights

Windhoek – Namib Desert – Sossusvlei
Swakopmund – Damaraland – Etosha
National Park – Okonjima - Windhoek

Tour Includes

- 13 nights' accommodation including porterage
- Breakfast in Windhoek and Swakopmund
- Half Board in Sossusvlei, Damaraland, Etosha and Eagle's Resort
- 14 days Europcar Group U (4x4) or similar car hire, Classic Plus inclusions

Departure Dates

Departs: Daily

Day 1: Windhoek

Arrive Windhoek and collect your vehicle drive to your hotel for overnight.

Hotel: Villa Violet, 1 night

Day 2: Namib Desert

Depart Windhoek and travel to the Namib Desert and to your lodge in Sossusvlei. Afternoon to explore the area. (B,D)

Hotel: Desert Hills Glamping Camp, 2 nights

Day 3: Namib Desert

Drive for sunrise over the dunes of Sossusvlei, then spend the afternoon discovering Sesriem Canyon. (B,D)

Day 4-5: Swakomund

A long drive today through beautiful Kuiseb Canyon to Swakopmund. En route you can visit Walvis. Arrive at your Swakopmund hotel. The next day is at leisure. (B)

Hotel: Namib Guesthouse, 2 nights

Day 6-7: Damaraland

Drive along the Atlantic Coast towards Damaraland. Visit Henties Bay and onto Twyfelfontein and to your lodge. The next day is at leisure to explore sights or alternatively, your lodge can offer activities to see the desert adapted elephants found in the area. (B,D)

Hotel: Malansrus Tented Camp, 2 nights

Day 8: Etosha

Travelling via Kamanjab, drive to the Etosha National Park and to your lodge which is located just outside the park gates. (B,D)

Hotel: Taleni Etosha Village, 2 nights

Day 9: Etosha

Today you can discover the magic of Etosha as you have the whole day to explore the park. (B,D)

Day 10: Etosha

Travel across the park to the eastern border, enjoying further game viewing as you travel along the way. Exit the park and drive to you nearby lodge. (B)

Hotel: Mushara Bush Camp, 2 nights

Day 11: Etosha

A further day to explore the eastern side of Etosha either by self-drive or by joining a game drive from the lodge (extra cost) (B)

Day 12-13: Otjiwa Reserve

Leave the Etosha area and drive southwards through farmland towards the Otjiwa Reserve and settle into your lodge for your final few days of your holiday. (B, D)

Hotel: Eagle's Rest, 2 nights

Day 14: Windhoek

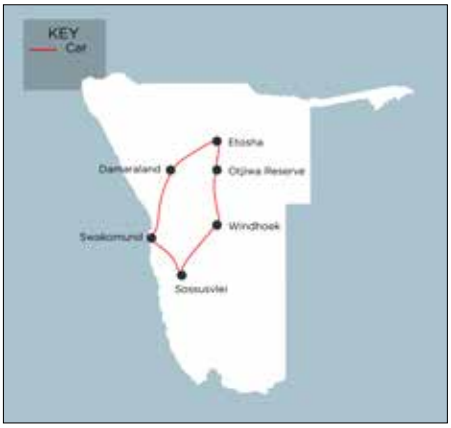
After breakfast start your journey back to Windhoek Airport where you will return your hire car. Onward travel arrangements can be tailored to requirements. (B)



Etosha



Deadvlei





Namib Desert Sand Dunes





Sossusvlei Experience

4 days

Experience sunrise with its myriad of colours at the awe-inspiring dunes of Sossusvlei on this 4 day tour, with days 2 to 4 being fully guided. The tour offers some flexibility to extend your Namibia experience, in that it can depart and return to and from either Windhoek or Swakopmund.

Day 1: Windhoek

Upon arrival into Windhoek Airport, you will be met and transferred to your hotel for your overnight stay.

Hotel: Windhoek Luxury Suites

Day 2: Sossusvlei

This morning is at leisure to explore Windhoek, before being collected from your hotel at 1400 hrs. Depart Windhoek and travel to the Kupferberg Pass, with views over the fertile valleys. Continue via the scenic Spreetshoogte Pass, one of the steepest passes in Namibia. After a short stop in Saltaire, continue to the NamNau Habitat, a private nature reserve which hosts a variety of desert-adapted game. (B,D)

Hotel: Namib Naukluft Lodge or similar

Day 3: Sossusvlei

Enjoy an early morning coffee before departing for Sossusvlei, travelling via the Tsauchab dry riverbed. The early morning sun offers spectacular pastel colours of the world's oldest dunes. The tour will stop for the opportunity to climb one of the dunes after which a picnic will be served.

Afterwards, walk through the dunes to Deadvlei, a starkly scenic pan with skeleton trees, arid grey salt flats and the rich dune colours behind. After the dunes, visit the Sesriem Canyon before returning to the lodge for lunch. In the afternoon, join a guided nature drive to 'marble mountain' or relax at the hotel. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Namib Naukluft Lodge or similar

Day 4: Windhoek

After a healthy breakfast, depart for Windhoek, travelling via the Remhoogte Pass. Arrive at Windhoek at lunchtime where the onward travel your arrangements can be tailored to your requirements. (B)

Package Includes

- 3 nights' accommodation
- 3 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 2 dinners
- Transportation including toll fees in air-conditioned vehicles
- Services of a professional English-speaking tour guide
- Entrance fees as specified in the itinerary

Departs: Daily (min 2 pax required)





Etosha Breakaway

5 days

This private tour to the Etosha National Park will spend time visiting the park's iconic waterholes which draw a massive congregation of elephants, lions, giraffes and a vast range of antelopes.

Day 1: Windhoek

Upon arrival into Windhoek Airport, you will be met and transferred to your hotel for your overnight stay.

Hotel: Windhoek Luxury Suites, 1 night

Day 2: Etosha

After breakfast, your private driver guide will collect you for your drive to the Etosha National Park. Upon arrival, check into your hotel, the afternoon is at leisure to enjoy the hotel and its facilities. (B,D)

Hotel: Etosha Safari Lodge, 3 nights

Day 3: Etosha

The day will be spent exploring the park's many waterholes with your guide providing information along the way. (B,D)

Day 4: Etosha

Leave the hotel and spend the day exploring the park as you travel to the eastern border to your next destination. (B,D)

Day 5: Departure

After an early game drive in the park, you will leave and start the drive back to Windhoek where you will be dropped off at the airport where the onward travel arrangements can be tailored to your requirements. (B)

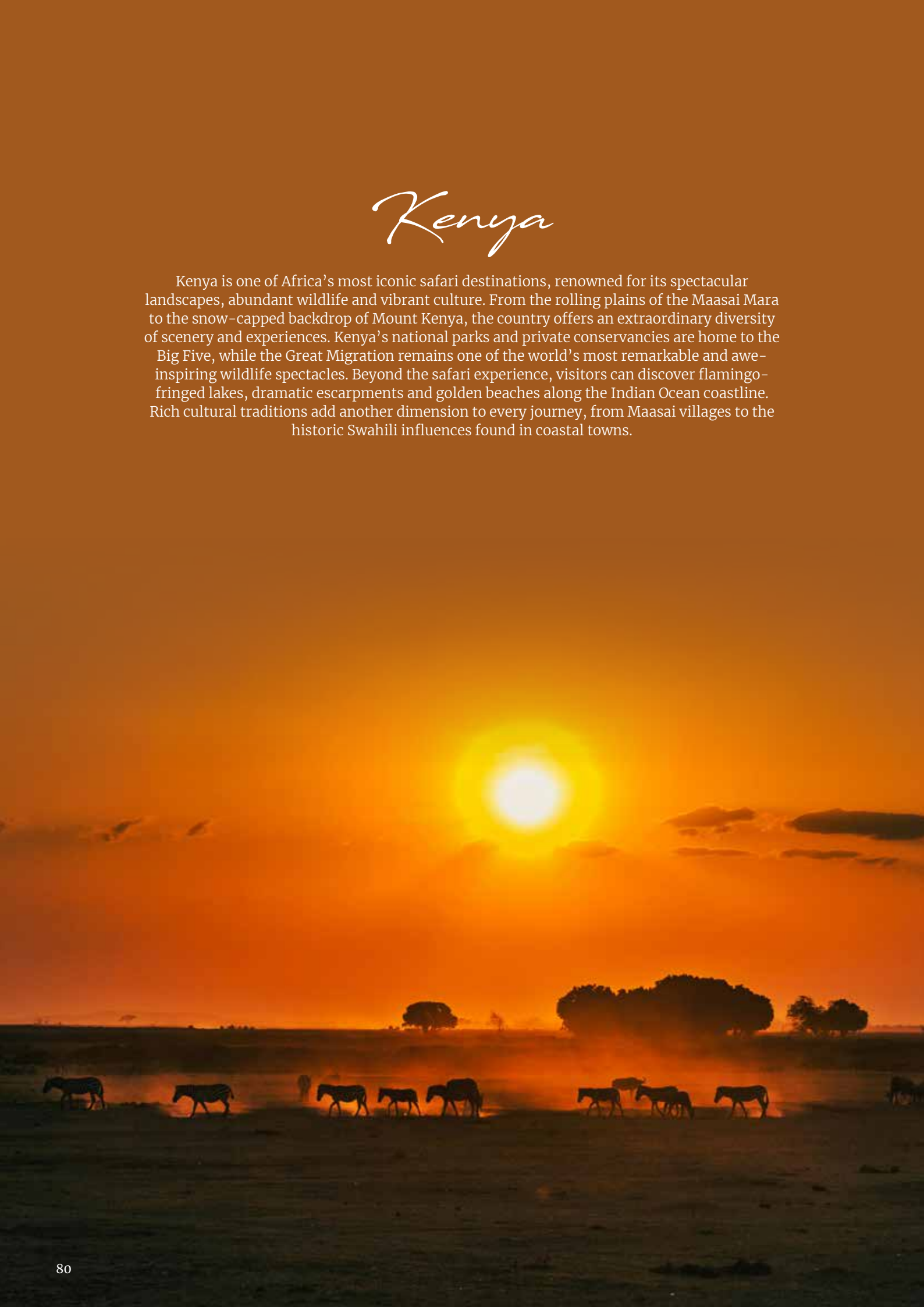
Package Includes

- 5 nights' accommodation including porterage
- 4 breakfasts, 3 dinners
- Transportation including toll fees in air-conditioned vehicles
- Services of a professional English-speaking tour guide
- Park entrance fees and game viewing activities

Departs: Daily (min 2 pax required)

Kenya

Kenya is one of Africa's most iconic safari destinations, renowned for its spectacular landscapes, abundant wildlife and vibrant culture. From the rolling plains of the Maasai Mara to the snow-capped backdrop of Mount Kenya, the country offers an extraordinary diversity of scenery and experiences. Kenya's national parks and private conservancies are home to the Big Five, while the Great Migration remains one of the world's most remarkable and awe-inspiring wildlife spectacles. Beyond the safari experience, visitors can discover flamingo-fringed lakes, dramatic escarpments and golden beaches along the Indian Ocean coastline. Rich cultural traditions add another dimension to every journey, from Maasai villages to the historic Swahili influences found in coastal towns.




Lake
Turkana
Samburu
Laikipia
Lake
Victoria
Lake Naivasha
& Nakuru
Mount Kenya
Masai Mara
Nairobi
Amboseli
Tsavo East & West
National Park
Malindi Beach
Mombasa
KENYA
Indian
Ocean

Kenya



Safari Parks and Reserves

It all started in Kenya ‘safari’ is a Swahili word, meaning journey. Settlers of old explored its iconic parks like the world-famous Masai Mara and Amboseli, with its views to Kilimanjaro. Samburu, Tsavo or Lake Nakuru are equally as good for an unforgettable safari.



Kenya's Culture

Kenya has a rich ethnic diversity, with over 40 tribes, all deeply connected by storytelling, music and the unifying use of Swahili. The better known are Maasai, Samburu, Kikuyu and the Swahili coastal communities and travelling through Kenya highlights their fascinating cultures.



Nairobi Attractions

Nairobi is the gateway to Kenya and, for most itineraries, a stopover here allows the opportunity to explore the capital. Attractions include the Elephant Orphanage and Giraffe Centre. The district of Karen is rich in history and is home to the Karen Blixen Museum.



Beach Stays

Kenya’s extensive coastline is famed for its white powdery beaches, dotted with palms that lead down to the warm turquoise waters of the Indian Ocean. The main areas are centred around Mombasa and south to Diani, whilst in the north, the most popular is Malindi.



Safari activities

To really make the most of your Kenyan safari it’s best to combine a few safari, parks. Game drives are a must and complement these with boat trips or bush walks. For the ultimate experience, drift over the Mara in a hot air balloon.



Coastal activities

Whilst a beach stay after a safari brings a welcome rest, there is still plenty to do for those wanting to explore and partake in something a little more active. Year-round water sports for all interests and abilities are available in all areas.

Best of Kenya

8 days

Join this small group tour of Kenya to explore a variety of reserves and experiences that Kenya has to offer. From Nairobi, travel to the northern reserves of Samburu and then to the Ark before experiencing the contrasting landscapes of Lake Nakuru, before heading to the grand finale with a safari in the Masai Mara.

Highlights

Nairobi – Samburu – Aberdares – The Ark – Lake Nakuru – Masai Mara National Reserve – Nairobi

Tour Includes

- 7 nights' accommodation including porterage
- 18 Meals: 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 6 dinners
- Transportation in 4x4 safari vehicle with guaranteed window seat
- Services of a professional English-speaking tour guide
- Entrance and park fees as specified in the itinerary
- Game Viewing activities

Departure Dates

Departs: Selected dates
Group Tour minimum 2 passengers

Day 1: Nairobi

On arrival in Nairobi Airport, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel.

Hotel: Tribe Hotel or similar, 1 night

Day 2: Samburu

After breakfast, you will be collected by your guide for the start of your safari. Journey north to the renowned Samburu National Reserve, and to your hotel arriving in time for lunch. Enjoy an afternoon game drive into the reserve. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Samburu Sopa Lodge or similar, 2 nights

Day 3: Samburu

Spend a full day exploring the breathtaking Samburu National Reserve, with early morning, mid-morning, and afternoon game drives in a 4×4 safari vehicle, equipped with a pop-up roof for optimal wildlife viewing. (B,L,D)

Day 4: Aberdare National Park

After enjoying breakfast, depart for Aberdare National Park. Arrive at Aberdare Country Club in time for a delightful lunch. In the afternoon, you will be transferred to The Ark Lodge, where you can spend the evening observing wildlife as they gather at the nearby salt lick and waterhole. (B,L,D)

Hotel: The Ark or similar, 1 night

Day 5: Lake Nakuru

After enjoying a refreshing cup of tea or coffee, check out of The Ark and transfer back to the Aberdare Country Club, where breakfast awaits. Following breakfast, leave the lodge for your journey to Lake Nakuru. Descend through the scenic Great Rift Valley to Lake Nakuru National Park. Enjoy a short game drive whilst travelling to your hotel where you will arrive in time for lunch. Enjoy an afternoon game drive in the park. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Sarova Lion Hill Lodge or similar, 1 night

Day 6: Masai Mara

After breakfast, check out and travel southwest to the Maasai Mara National Reserve. Enter the park and travel to your hotel where you will arrive in time for lunch. Afterwards, enjoy a further afternoon game drive in the Reserve. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Basecamp Masai Mara, 2 nights

Day 7: Masai Mara

Enjoy a full day in the renowned Maasai Mara National Reserve, featuring early morning, mid-morning, and afternoon game drives in a 4×4 pop-up roof safari vehicle. (B,L,D)

Day 8: Nairobi

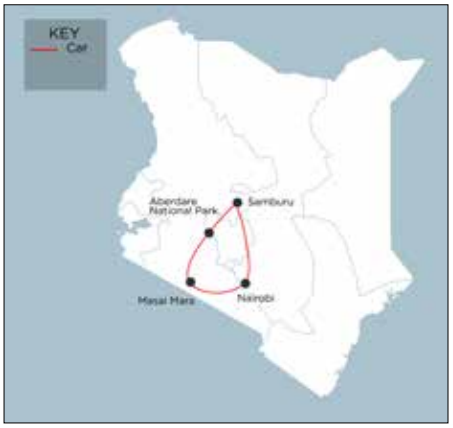
After breakfast, check out and embark on a drive back to Nairobi. You will be dropped either at your hotel or at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport. (B)



Lake Nakuru



Masai Mara





Samburu

Kenya Highlights

13 days

A private tour that encompasses the essence of a holiday in Kenya. Three safari experiences in Amboseli, Lake Naivasha and the Masai Mara, followed by a relaxing beach break on the Kenya Coast.

Highlights

Nairobi – Amboseli – Lake Naivasha
Masai Mara – Mombasa

Tour Includes

- 12 nights' accommodation
- Breakfast in Nairobi
- Meals on tour: 5 breakfasts, 5 lunches, 5 dinners
- All-inclusive basis in Mombasa
- Transportation in 4x4 safari vehicle with guaranteed window seat
- Services of a private professional English-speaking tour guide
- Entrance and park fees as specified in the itinerary
- Private transfers as detailed
- Game viewing activities
- Flight Nairobi/Mombasa

Departure Dates

Departs: Daily

Day 1: Nairobi

On arrival in Nairobi Airport, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel.

Hotel: Eka Hotel, 1 night

Day 2: Amboseli

You will be collected by your private guide and vehicle for the start of your safari. Depart Nairobi to Amboseli, crossing the Athi plains, home of the colourful Maasai tribes. Arrive at your hotel in time for lunch, which is followed by a game drive in the Amboseli National Park. (B, L, D)

Hotel: Amboseli Serena Lodge, 2 nights

Day 3: Amboseli

Morning game drive in Amboseli before returning to the hotel for lunch and the chance to relax before departing on an afternoon game drive. (B,L,D)

Day 4: Lake Naivasha

This morning drive back to Nairobi and then onwards through picturesque tea and coffee plantations before descending the Rift Valley and onto Lake Naivasha. After lunch, enjoy a boat trip on the lake, one of the prime bird watching areas in East Africa. (B, L, D)

Hotel: Lake Naivasha Sopa Lodge, 1 night

Day 5: Masai Mara

This morning drive to Kenya's most spectacular game reserve, Masai Mara. En route, pass the dormant Mount Longonot volcano. Arrive at the Camp in time for lunch. After lunch, enjoy an afternoon game viewing drive. (B, L, D)

Hotel: Zebra River Camp, 2 nights

Day 6: Masai Mara

Enjoy a full day in the renowned Masai Mara National Reserve, featuring early morning, mid-morning, and afternoon game drives. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Mombasa

Enjoy breakfast before you depart for Nairobi where you will be dropped off at the airport for your flight to Mombasa. Upon arrival, you will be met and transferred to your hotel. (B, D)

Hotel: Baobab Beach Resort 6 nights

Day 13: Departure

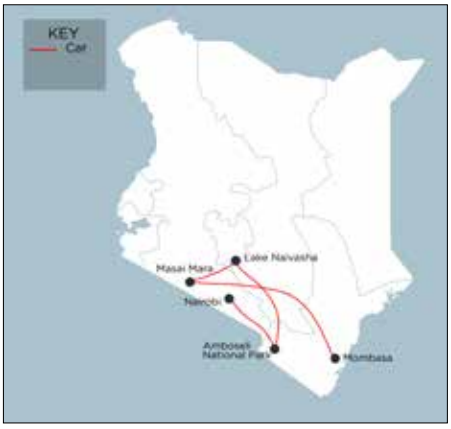
Transfer to Mombasa airport where your onward travel arrangements can be tailored to your requirements. (B)



Masai Mara



Lake Naivasha Sopa Lodge





Lake Naivasha Sopa Lodge

Masai Mara Fly-in Safari and Beach

11 days

A tour that brings together the ultimate Kenya experience, with a breathtaking safari in the Masai Mara followed by a relaxing beach stay on Kenya's Indian Ocean coast.

Highlights

Nairobi – Masai Mara National Reserve
Mombasa

Tour Includes

- 10 nights' accommodation
- Breakfast in Nairobi
- Half board in Mombasa
- All meals, game drives and park fees in Masai Mara
- Private transfers as detailed
- Flight transfers Nairobi/Masai Mara/ Kenya Coast

Departure Dates

Departs: Daily

Day 1: Nairobi

On arrival in Nairobi Airport, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel.

Hotel: Eka Hotel, 1 night

Day 2: Masai Mara

You will be collected and transferred to Wilson Airport for your morning light aircraft flight to the Masai Mara. Upon arrival, you will be met and transferred to your lodge where you will enjoy lunch. This afternoon, enjoy a game drive in the Masai Mara Reserve. (B,D)

Hotel: Governors Camp, 3 nights

Day 3 & 4: Masai Mara

Spend the following two days game viewing in Masai Mara featuring early morning, mid-morning, and afternoon game drives. (B,L,D)

Day 5: Mombasa

Enjoy breakfast at the lodge before being transferred to the local airstrip for the departure of your light aircraft transfer to the coast. Upon arrival, you will be met and transferred to your hotel. (B,D)

Hotel: Nomad Beach Resort, 6 nights

Day 11: Departure

Transfer to Mombasa airport where your onward travel arrangements can be tailored to your requirements. (B)



Governors Camp



Nomad Beach Resort





Governors Camp

Kenya Family Adventure

11 days

A family tour that starts and ends with precious family time on the beach, with a short private family safari in Tsavo and Amboseli to create further memories for an unforgettable family adventure.

Highlights

Mombasa – Tsavo West – Amboseli
Tsavo East – Mombasa

Tour Includes

- 10 nights' accommodation
- All-inclusive basis in Mombasa
- Meals on tour: 3 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 3 dinners
- Transportation in 4x4 safari vehicle with guaranteed window seat
- Services of a private professional English-speaking tour guide
- Entrance and park fees as specified in the itinerary
- Game Viewing activities
- Private transfers as detailed
- Journey on the Madaraka Express from Tsavo to Mombasa

Departure Dates

Departs: Daily

Day 1-3: Mombasa

Upon arrival into Mombasa Airport, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Baobab Beach Resort, 3 nights

Day 4: Tsavo West

You will be collected by your private guide and vehicle for the start of your private safari. Depart Mombasa for a morning drive to Tsavo West National Park, arriving at your hotel in time for lunch. Enjoy an afternoon game drive in the park. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Serena Kilaguni Lodge, 1 night

Day 5: Amboseli

After breakfast, leave for Amboseli National Park arriving at your hotel in time for lunch. Enjoy an afternoon game drive in the park. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Amboseli Serena Safari Lodge, 1 night

Day 6: Tsavo East

This morning, drive to Tsavo East National Park where you will arrive at your hotel in time for lunch. Enjoy an afternoon game drive in the park. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Ashnil Aruba Lodge, 1 night

Day 7: Mombasa

Enjoy breakfast before your transfer to the nearby Station where your guide will drop you off in time for the departure of the Madaraka Express Inter-County train to Mombasa. Upon arrival, you will be met and transferred to your hotel. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Baobab Beach Resort, 4 nights

Day 11: Departure

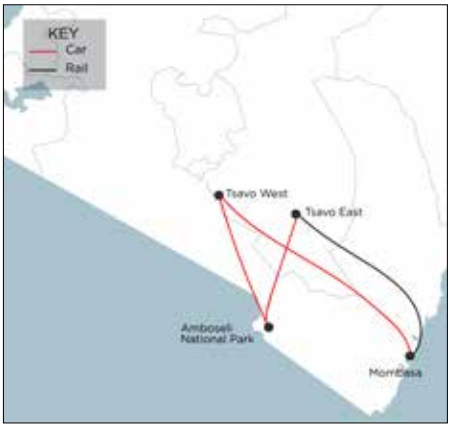
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Baobab Beach Resort



Mombasa





Kilaguni Serena Safari Lodge



Kenya Coast

Kenya's coastline offers a pleasing blend of soft white beaches, turquoise waters and Swahili culture along the Indian Ocean. Watamu is known for its protected marine park, excellent snorkelling and relaxed atmosphere, while Diani Beach combines palm-fringed shores with stylish resorts and watersports. From dolphin spotting and dhow cruises to seafood dining and coral reefs, a stay on Kenya's coast is the perfect complement to a safari adventure.

Hemingways Watamu

Set on a beautiful white beach within the Watamu Marine National Park, Hemingways Watamu offers guests relaxing beachfront luxury in an exceptional Indian Ocean setting. Spacious rooms and suites are bright and elegant, featuring contemporary coastal décor, private balconies and uninterrupted sea views. Dining focuses on fresh local ingredients and seafood, best enjoyed overlooking the ocean, and the classic, beachfront Hemingways Bar has been a hub of the hotel since it opened. The resort lies within a protected marine park and offers excellent snorkelling, diving and dolphin spotting. In July and August humpback whales are often spotted. Guests can also enjoy paddleboarding, kayaking or simply relax beside the pool or on the beach. There is a spa, fitness centre and easy access to nearby mangroves and cultural excursions.

Location: Watamu Marine Park

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Boabab Beach Resort

Located on a beautiful stretch of beach, surrounded by majestic baobab trees, this all inclusive hotel is a lush, tropical paradise. The hotel offers guests a wide choice of rooms and suites spread throughout the grounds and all offer a private balcony or terrace. There are 3 swimming pools and a wealth of included activities ranging from archery, basketball, tennis, beach walks, nature trails and much more. Relaxation comes in the form of the Afya Bora Spa, a haven of peace amidst one of the last indigenous coastal forests in Kenya. When it comes to dining, there is an excellent array of options including seafood, Pan-Asian and international cuisine, as well as an extensive buffet. There are also plenty of bars to choose from including a swim-up pool bar and one that is perfect for sundowners.

Location: Diani Beach

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Tanzania

Tanzania is home to some of Africa's most celebrated safari landscapes. From the endless plains of the Serengeti to the vast wilderness of the Selous and Ruaha, the country offers an exceptional diversity of experiences. See first-hand the drama of the Great Migration, explore the wildlife-rich Ngorongoro Crater and discover national parks teeming with elephants, lions and leopards. For guests looking beyond the safari experience, Tanzania's landscapes range from the snow-capped peak of Mount Kilimanjaro to the idyllic white sand beaches of Zanzibar. Rich cultural heritage, welcoming communities and spectacular scenery combine to create an unforgettable destination. Whether tracking wildlife across the savannah, discovering remote wilderness regions or unwinding on Zanzibar's pristine shores, Tanzania offers an inspiring blend of nature, culture and unforgettable scenery.




Lake
Victoria
Serengeti
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Crater
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Manyara
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Tanganyika
Tarangire
Zanzibar
Mahale
Mountains
Katavi
INDIAN
OCEAN
Lake Rukwa
Ruaha
Nyerere
Lake
Malawi
TANZANIA

Tanzania





Safari Parks and Reserves

The celebrated Serengeti is where to see the Great Migration and is part of a popular 'Northern Circuit' which also includes Tarangire, Lake Manyara and the stunning Ngorongoro Crater. For a quieter safari, head to the beautiful southern parks of Ruaha and Nyerere.



Tanzania's Culture

Whilst Tanzania has more than 120 ethnic groups, the Maasai are the most evident, and it is not unusual to see them in Tanzania's traditional safari areas. The island of Zanzibar has a strong Indian/ Arabic influence, adding an intriguing mix to the traditional Swahili culture.



Mount Kilimanjaro

Whilst the best views of Kilimanjaro are from Kenya's Amboseli National Park, it is Tanzania that is justifiably proud of its iconic landmark. For those looking for an adventure, then join a supported climb to its summit; the challenge is worth the view!



Beach Stays

The tropical island of Zanzibar is without doubt the most popular beach destination after a Tanzanian safari. Affectionately known as the 'spice island', it is famous for its dazzling white sandy beaches, blue turquoise waters and the UNESCO-listed historic Stone Town.



Safari Activities

To really make the most of your Tanzanian safari, it's best to combine a few safari parks. Game drives are a must, and you can complement these with bush walks. For the ultimate experience, drift over the Serengeti in a hot air balloon.



Coastal Activities

Whilst a beach stay after a safari brings a welcome rest, there is still plenty to do for those wanting to explore and partake in something a little more active. Zanzibar offers year-round water sports for all interests and abilities.

Tanzania Highlights

13 days

A private tour that covers the highlights of Tanzania's Northern Circuit, Tarangire and Lake Manyara before heading to the iconic Ngorongoro Crater and finishing with the Serengeti National Park. A flight then takes you to the Spice Island of Zanzibar for a welcome beach stay at the end of this holiday.

Highlights

Arusha – Tarangire – Ngorongoro Crater Serengeti – Zanzibar

Tour Includes

- 12 nights' accommodation
- Meals on tour: 6 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 6 dinners
- Breakfast in Arusha
- Half Board basis in Zanzibar
- Transportation in 4x4 safari vehicle with guaranteed window seat
- Services of a private professional English-speaking tour guide
- Entrance and park fees as specified in the itinerary
- Game Viewing activities
- Private transfers as indicated

Departure Dates

Departs: Daily

Day 1: Arusha

On arrival in Kilimanjaro Airport, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel.

Hotel: Moivaro Coffee Lodge, 1 night

Day 2: Tarangire

You will be collected by your private guide and vehicle for the start of your safari. Depart Arusha for the drive to Tarangire National Park, arriving at your hotel in time for lunch. Enjoy an afternoon game drive in the park. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Pamoja Tarangire Luxury Hideaway Lodge, 1 night

Day 3: Ngorongoro Crater

Leave the hotel and drive to Lake Manyara where you will spend most of the day in the park, with a picnic lunch included. Leave the park late afternoon and drive to the Karatu area and arrive at your hotel. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Ngorongoro Coffee Lodge, 2 nights

Day 4: Ngorongoro Crater

Make an early morning start and make your way to the park gate to spend the day game viewing in the Crater, with a picnic lunch included. (B,L,D)

Day 5: Serengeti

This morning, drive to the Serengeti National Park. Upon entering the park, game drive to your hotel where you will arrive in time for lunch. After lunch, enjoy an afternoon game-viewing drive. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Pamoja Serengeti Luxury Camp or similar, 3 nights

Day 6 & 7: Serengeti

Enjoy a full day in the renowned Serengeti National Park, featuring early morning, mid-morning, and afternoon game drives. (B,L,D)

Day 8: Zanzibar

Enjoy breakfast before being transferred to the local airstrip for your light aircraft flight transfer to Zanzibar. Upon arrival, you will be met and transferred to your hotel. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Breezes Beach Club, 5 nights

Day 13: Departure

Transfer to Zanzibar airport for where your onward travel arrangements can be tailored to your requirements. (B)



Ngorongoro Crater



Breezes Beach Club, Zanzibar





Serengeti

Tanzania Southern Highlights

8 days

A tour that explores the hidden gems of the southern parks of Nyerere and Ruaha. A safari here provides a quieter safari with no compromise on the experience.

Highlights

Dar es Salaam – Nyerere National Park
Ruaha National Park – Dar es Salaam

Tour Includes

- 7 nights' accommodation
- Breakfast in Dar es Salaam
- All meals, all game viewing activities and park fees whilst in Ruaha
- Private transfers as detailed
- Flight transfers by light aircraft Dar es Salaam/Nyerere/Ruaha/Dar es Salaam

Departure Dates

Departs: Daily

Day 1: Dar es Salaam

On arrival in Dar es Salaam Airport, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel.

Hotel: Dar es Salaam Best Western Hotel, 1 night

Day 2: Nyerere

Return transfer to the airport where you will be met and assisted with your light aircraft transfer to Nyerere National Park. Upon arrival, you will be met and transferred to your lodge. Enjoy an afternoon game drive in the park. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Rufiji River Camp, 3 nights

Day 3 & 4: Nyerere

The following two days will be spent on early morning or afternoon game drives in the park. The lodge is located on the banks of the Rufiji River and offers sunset boat trips on the river. (B,L,D)

Day 5: Ruaha

Return transfer to the airstrip where you will be assisted to your light aircraft transfer to Ruaha National Park. Upon arrival, you will be met and transferred to your lodge. Enjoy an afternoon game drive in the Ruaha National Park. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Ruaha River Lodge, 3 nights

Day 6 & 7: Ruaha

The following two days will be spent on early morning or afternoon game drives in the park. (B,L,D)

Day 8: Departure

Enjoy breakfast before being transferred to the local airstrip for your light aircraft flight transfer to Dar es Salaam, or Zanzibar for your onward travel arrangements which can be tailored to requirements. (B)



Ruaha River



Rufiji River Camp





Rufiji River Camp

Tanzania Fly-in Safari and Beach

11 days

A tour that provides the ultimate safari experience with a fly-in safari into the Serengeti National Park, followed by a relaxing beach break on the spice island of Zanzibar.

Highlights

Arusha – Serengeti – Zanzibar

Tour Includes

- 10 nights' accommodation
- Breakfast in Arusha
- All meals, local brand drinks
- Game viewing and park fees in Serengeti
- Half Board basis in Zanzibar
- Private transfers as detailed
- Flight transfers by light aircraft from Arusha/Serengeti/Zanzibar

Departure Dates

Departs: Daily

Day 1: Arusha

On arrival in Kilimanjaro Airport, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel.

Hotel: Moivaro Coffee Lodge, 1 night

Day 2: Serengeti

You will be met and transferred to Arusha Airport where you will be met and assisted with your light aircraft transfer to the Serengeti. Upon arrival, you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Enjoy afternoon game viewing in the park. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Elewana Explorer Lodge, 3 nights

Day 3 & 4: Serengeti

The following two days are spent game viewing in the renowned Serengeti National Park, featuring early morning and afternoon game drives. (B,L,D)

Day 5: Zanzibar

Enjoy breakfast before you being transferred to the local airstrip for your light aircraft flight transfer to Zanzibar. Upon arrival, you will be met and transferred to your hotel. (B,D)

Hotel: Breezes Beach Club, 6 nights

Day 11: Departure

Transfer to Zanzibar airport where your onward travel arrangements can be tailored to your requirements. (B)



Elewana Explorer Lodge



Zanzibar





Serengeti

Kilimanjaro Climb – Machame Route

8 days

A private guided climb of Africa's highest peak will not only challenge, but inspire. The guide and backup crew will support and help you achieve this once-in-a-lifetime challenge.

Highlights

Mount Kilimanjaro

Tour Includes

- 2 nights' hotel accommodation
- 5 nights' camping accommodation on the climb
- All meals, local soft drinks and water whilst on the climb
- Services of a guide and a team of porters
- Private transfers as detailed
- Park fees
- Safety equipment and mountain rescue support

Departure Dates

Departs: Daily

Day 1: Moshi

On arrival in Kilimanjaro Airport, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel located in Moshi.

Hotel: Springlands Hotel or similar, 1 night

Day 2: Machame (at 3100 m)

Breakfast is followed by a briefing and preparation of equipment. You will then be driven from Moshi to the Mt Kilimanjaro National Park Gate where the climb commences. Walk through the rainforest on a winding trail to the first overnight stop. (B,L,D)

Camp: Machame Hut campsite, 1 night (approx. 5 hrs walking)

Day 3: Shira (at 3658 m)

After breakfast, leave the forest and continue along heather-clad ridges into the river gorge and to the second stop on the trail. (B,L,D)

Camp: Shira Hut campsite, 1 night (approx. 4 hrs walking)

Day 4: Barranco (at 3860 m)

From the Shira Plateau continue east towards the Kibo peak, before changing direction as the hike heads towards Shark's Tooth lava tower and onwards to the Arrow Glacier. A descent takes you to the next overnight stop. (B,L,D)
Camp: Barranco Hut campsite, 1 night (approx. 6 hrs walking) *There is the option to add an extra night at Barranco Hut for acclimatisation.*

Day 5: Barafu (at 4600 m)

After breakfast continue along a steep ridge passing the Barranco Wall and through the Karanga Valley. Continue to the next overnight stop. (B,L,D)

Camp: Barafu Hut campsite, 1 night (approx. 8 hrs walking)

Day 6: Uhuru (at 5895 m)

Summit Day! An early morning start takes you up to Stella Point with the final leg reaching Uhuru Peak located at 5895 above sea level, the highest point in Africa. After celebrating, the descent starts with a walk to your next camp. (B,L,D)

Camp: 1 night Mweka Hut campsite (approx. 11 hrs walking)

Day 7: Moshi

After breakfast, continue the descent down to the Mweka Park Gate where you will be met and transferred back to your hotel in Moshi. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Springlands Hotel, 1 night

Day 08: Departure

Transfer to Kilimanjaro Airport where your onward travel arrangements can be tailored to your requirements. (B)



Kilimanjaro Climb









Zanzibar

Zanzibar offers an intriguing blend of Indian Ocean beauty, Swahili culture and spice-scented history. On the island's southeast coast, Bwejuu Beach is one of the most peaceful stretches of shoreline, with powder-soft white sand, swaying palms and turquoise waters protected by coral reefs. It is an ideal place to unwind, enjoy long beach walks, snorkelling trips and relaxed barefoot luxury.

Breezes Beach Club & Spa

This charming resort hotel lies on a beautiful stretch of white sand and sits within tropical gardens and swaying coconut palms, offering guests an idyllic stay on the shores of the Indian Ocean. 74 rooms and suites offer cool tiled floors, beautiful linens in shades of pale green and ivory and Zanzibari décor, and are a tranquil respite from the African sun. The dining here takes its inspiration from many influences including Arabic, Persian, Indian and Swahili, and there are several restaurants to choose from including The Tides, a beautifully intimate space on the beach for 2-4 guests. Facilities include a large swimming pool, fitness centre, tennis court and the Water Club, a dedicated water sports centre, and the Rising Sun Dive Centre.

Location: Bwejuu Beach

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Baraza Resort & Spa

Baraza is a beautiful boutique hotel with a distinctive Swahili design and throughout the property, guests will find elegant antiques, intricate brass lanterns and handcrafted details. 30 stunning villas offer 1 or 2 bedrooms and are a masterclass in Swahili design, with Zanzibari furnishings and works of art. Outside, guests will find shady terraces and private plunge pools. There are several dining options including the Livingstone Terrace, Sultans Lounge and the Ocean Lounge. The Chai Lounge is a place for afternoon tea. The Water Club offers a wide variety of water sports on the beach and coral reef walks, whilst the Frangipani Spa is a peaceful oasis to relieve the stresses of everyday life.

Location: Bwejuu Beach

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Gorillas

High on the bucket list for many a traveller is the opportunity to trek and see Africa's endangered Mountain Gorillas, an unforgettable, life-changing wildlife encounter.

Treks take place in the forested mountain slopes of Uganda or Rwanda and whilst a reasonable level of fitness is required, guides and porters help you navigate the steep muddy terrain. Hikes last in total anywhere between 3-5 hours. Upon reaching your allocated habituated family, a magical hour is spent watching the gorillas, from tumbling infants in play with ever watchful, protective mothers to the massive silverback close at hand. The experience is simply incredible.

The following 3 night itineraries in Uganda or Rwanda can easily be tailored as an add-on to most African journeys.







Uganda Gorilla Trek

4 days

Fly to Bwindi Impenetrable National Park, where you will trek with a guide and porters to find these incredible animals.

Day 1: Entebbe

On arrival in Entebbe Airport, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel.

Hotel: 1 night Protea Hotel Entebbe

Day 2: Bwindi

After an early breakfast you will be met and transferred to Entebbe Airport where you will be met and assisted with your light aircraft transfer to the Kihihi. Upon arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel. The remainder of the afternoon at leisure to enjoy the views and the facilities at the hotel. (B,D)

Hotel: 2 nights Mahogany Springs Lodge

Day 3: Bwindi

After an early breakfast, take a short transfer to the Bwindi National Park Headquarters where you will meet with your guide and porters. After a short talk on the etiquette of gorilla trekking, your trek begins. Treks usually take anywhere between 3-5 hours in total. Upon reaching your allocated habituated family, approx. 1 hour is spent watching the gorillas. The trek will then return to the Park Headquarters where you will be met and transferred back to your hotel. (B,L,D)

Day 4: Departure

Enjoy breakfast before you are transferred to Kihihi for your light aircraft flight transfer to Entebbe where your onward travel arrangements can be tailored to your requirements. (B)

Tour Includes

- 3 nights' accommodation
- Breakfast in Entebbe
- All meals, local brand drinks
- Gorilla trek permit in Bwindi
- Private transfers as detailed
- Flight transfers by light aircraft from Entebbe/Kihihi/Entebbe

Departs: Daily





Rwanda Gorilla Trek

4 days

This add-on trip to Rwanda provides a great opportunity to trek to see these incredible animals with a guide and supported by porters. There is also the opportunity to explore Kigali and learn about the genocide and modern-day Rwanda.

Day 1: Kigali

On arrival in Kigali Airport, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel. Join an afternoon City Tour and visit to the Genocide Museum.

Hotel: Hotel Mille Collines, 1 night

Day 2: Volcanoes

After an early breakfast, you will be collected by your private driver guide for your transfer to the Volcanoes National Park area where you will be dropped off at your hotel. The remainder of the afternoon at leisure to enjoy the views and the facilities at the hotel. (B,L,D)

Hotel: Ingagi Lodge, 2 nights

Day 3: Volcanoes

After an early breakfast, take a short transfer to the Volcanoes National Park Headquarters where you will meet with your guide and porters. After a short talk on the etiquette of gorilla trekking, your trek begins. Treks usually take anywhere between 3-5 hours in total. Upon reaching your allocated habituated family, approx. 1 hour is spent watching the gorillas. The trek will then return to the Park Headquarters where you will be met and transferred back to your hotel. (B,L,D)

Day 4: Departure

Enjoy breakfast, before you being transfer back to Kigali Airport where your onward travel arrangements can be tailored to your requirements. (B)

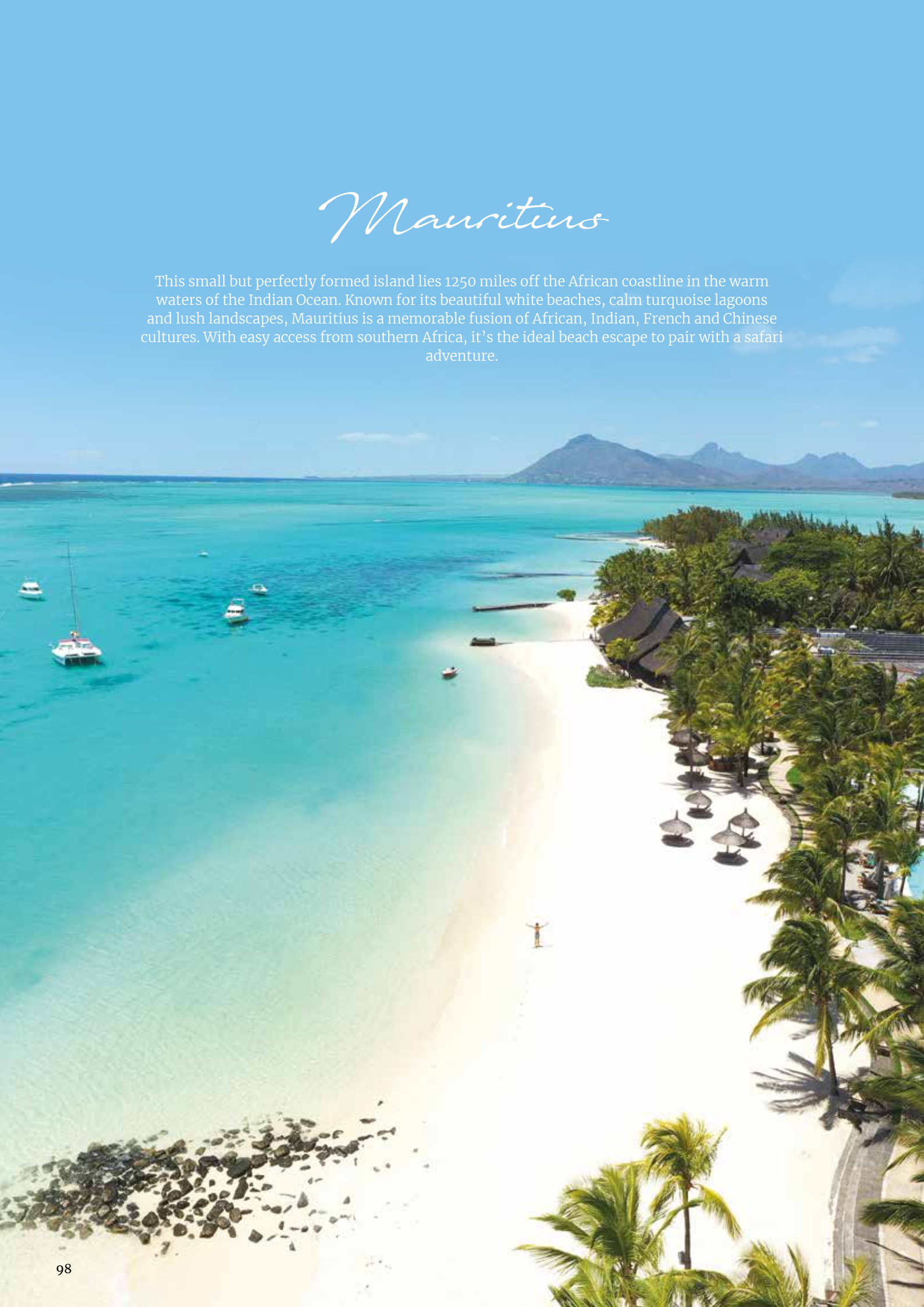
Tour Includes

- 3 nights' accommodation
- Breakfast in Kigali
- All meals, local brand drinks
- Gorilla trek permit in Volcanoes
- Private transfers as detailed

Departs: Daily

Mauritius

This small but perfectly formed island lies 1250 miles off the African coastline in the warm waters of the Indian Ocean. Known for its beautiful white beaches, calm turquoise lagoons and lush landscapes, Mauritius is a memorable fusion of African, Indian, French and Chinese cultures. With easy access from southern Africa, it's the ideal beach escape to pair with a safari adventure.




INDIAN OCEAN
Grand Baie
Port Louis
Vacoas-Phoenix
Black River Gorges
National Park
Blue Bay
Marine Park
MAURITIUS

Heritage Le Telfair Golf & Wellness Resort



Set on the former Bel Ombre sugar estate on Mauritius' southwest coast, Le Telfair blends French plantation heritage with contemporary elegance. Rooms and suites feature soft tones, polished wood and curated artwork, creating a refined yet relaxed atmosphere by the ocean. Dining ranges from Annabella's brasserie-style menus and Pan-Asian flavours at Gin'ja to fresh seafood at Le Palmier, while Le Chateau de Bel Ombre offers fine farm-to-table dining in a historic plantation house. Golfers can enjoy the acclaimed 45-hole Heritage Golf Club, including the region's first links course, La Reserve Golf Links. Beyond golf, guests can unwind on a beautiful white-sand beach, enjoy complimentary watersports, relax at the Seven Colours Spa or take part in the resort's extensive wellness experiences.

Location: Bel Ombre, South Coast

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Heritage Awali Golf & Spa Resort



Sitting on the turquoise lagoon of Bel Ombre on Mauritius' unspoilt southwest coast, Heritage Awali Golf Resort & Spa combines African-inspired design with a relaxed beachfront atmosphere. Spacious rooms and suites boast warm natural tones, dark wood furnishings and private terraces, creating a welcoming retreat surrounded by tropical gardens. Dining options range from vibrant international cuisine and beachside grills to authentic Indian flavours and contemporary Japanese dishes. Guests also have access to the restaurants across the wider Heritage Resorts estate. Golfers can enjoy the exceptional 45-hole Heritage Golf Club, including the acclaimed La Reserve Golf Links. The resort also offers complimentary watersports, a beautiful stretch of white-sand beach, a lively children's club and the Seven Colours Spa, offering holistic wellness experiences designed to restore both body and mind.

Location: Bel Ombre, South Coast

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

LUX* Le Morne



Set on Mauritius' beautiful west coast beneath UNESCO-protected Le Morne mountain, LUX* Le Morne enjoys one of the island's most spectacular settings. Stretching along a white-sand beach, the resort combines relaxed luxury with a strong sense of wellbeing. Rooms and suites are light and airy, with soft neutral tones and private terraces overlooking tropical gardens or the ocean. Dining includes Thai flavours at East, Japanese cuisine at Kawaii, beachside meals at The Beach and fresh seafood from Vik's fisherman's shack. Watersports range from kayaking and paddleboarding to sailing and scuba diving, while on land guests can enjoy yoga, hiking, tennis and horse riding. The LUX* Me Spa offers further relaxation, while family-friendly facilities include a kids club and activities designed for younger guests.

Location: Le Morne Peninsula, South West Coast

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Shangri-La Le Touessrok Resort & Spa



Sitting along the tranquil east coast of Mauritius, Shangri-La Le Touessrok is surrounded by sheltered bays, white-sand beaches and the turquoise waters of Trou d'Eau Douce. Contemporary rooms and suites are bright and spacious, with elegant island-inspired interiors and views across the Indian Ocean from private balconies and terraces. Dining options range from refined Japanese cuisine and fresh seafood to relaxed beachfront grills and vibrant international flavours. Guests also enjoy exclusive access to the private island retreat of Ilot Mangénie, perfect for long lunches and laid-back beach days. Watersports include paddleboarding, sailing, snorkelling and water skiing, while golfers have access to the spectacular Ile aux Cerfs Golf Club. There is also a spa, children's club and a range of wellness and cultural experiences to enjoy.

Location: Trou d'Eau Bay, East Coast

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Veranda Point aux Biches

Set between Pointe aux Piments and Trou aux Biches on Mauritius' north coast, this relaxed beachfront resort offers a warm welcome and an easy barefoot atmosphere beside the Indian Ocean. Rooms are bright and comfortable, decorated in crisp whites and royal blues, with garden, pool or ocean-facing views from private balconies or terraces. Privilege Rooms are located in the adults-only wing and include access to a dedicated pool, restaurant and bar. Dining includes international and local cuisine at Senses, Mauritian specialities at Sundeck and sunset cocktails with live music at Footloose Bar. Families are well catered for with the Timomo Kids Club, children's pool and a range of activities including kayaking, paddleboarding, tennis and beach volleyball. There is also a spa, fitness centre and complimentary shuttle to nearby Trou aux Biches.

Location: Grand Baie, Northwest Coast

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



La Pirogue Resort

Sitting amidst a grove of swaying coconut palms on a spectacular, mile-long beach, La Pirogue has more than a hint of boho chic about it. Taking inspiration from the traditional fishing boats, this resort encompasses an abundance of natural materials and has a delightful, relaxed atmosphere. Thatched roofs and volcanic whitewashed walls give character and charm to the bungalows and pavilions. All are on the ground floor and have a private patio or terrace. The beach pavilions are closest to the beach. Choose from 3 restaurants and 3 bars or head to neighbouring Sugar Beach to enjoy the dining options there. There's a fabulous swimming pool, a wealth of family activities including kids clubs, complimentary watersports, table tennis, yoga, tennis courts, a fitness centre and the Glow Spa.

Location: Flic-en-Flac, West Coast

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Sugar Beach Resort

Situated on the west coast of Mauritius, Sugar Beach offers unparalleled access to 1.5 km of white sandy beach and the turquoise waters of the Indian Ocean. Boasting 238 rooms and suites, the resort is elegantly appointed and meticulously designed to offer comfort. Choices range from sea view or beachfront rooms with options to cater for families or those looking for a more intimate experience. The resort features an array of world-class facilities, including 4 restaurants and 3 bars serving gourmet cuisine inspired by local flavours and international delicacies. Indulge in rejuvenating treatments at the luxurious GLOW Spa, lounge by one of the 2 pools at the resort or partake in a variety of water sports and recreational activities.

Location: Flic-en-Flac, West Coast

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Constance Le Chaland

Experience the perfect blend of luxury and nature at Constance Le Chaland, located on the pristine Le Chaland Beach. The resort is an ideal retreat for those seeking adventure and holistic wellness. Enjoy activities like hiking in the nearby forest and snorkelling in the marine park's crystal-clear waters. The resort also offers various wellness therapies with a range of spa treatments, Hamman experience, yoga or for the more energetic, group classes or the gym. The stylish and contemporary styled 170 rooms offer garden, sea breeze or ocean views, with many options for families or those seeking a more intimate feel. Enjoy exquisite dining at the 3 restaurants whilst lighter meals or drinks can be enjoyed at the 5 bars. Whilst the hotel is a short drive to the airport, its location ensures the peace and tranquillity expected at such an Indian Ocean Retreat.

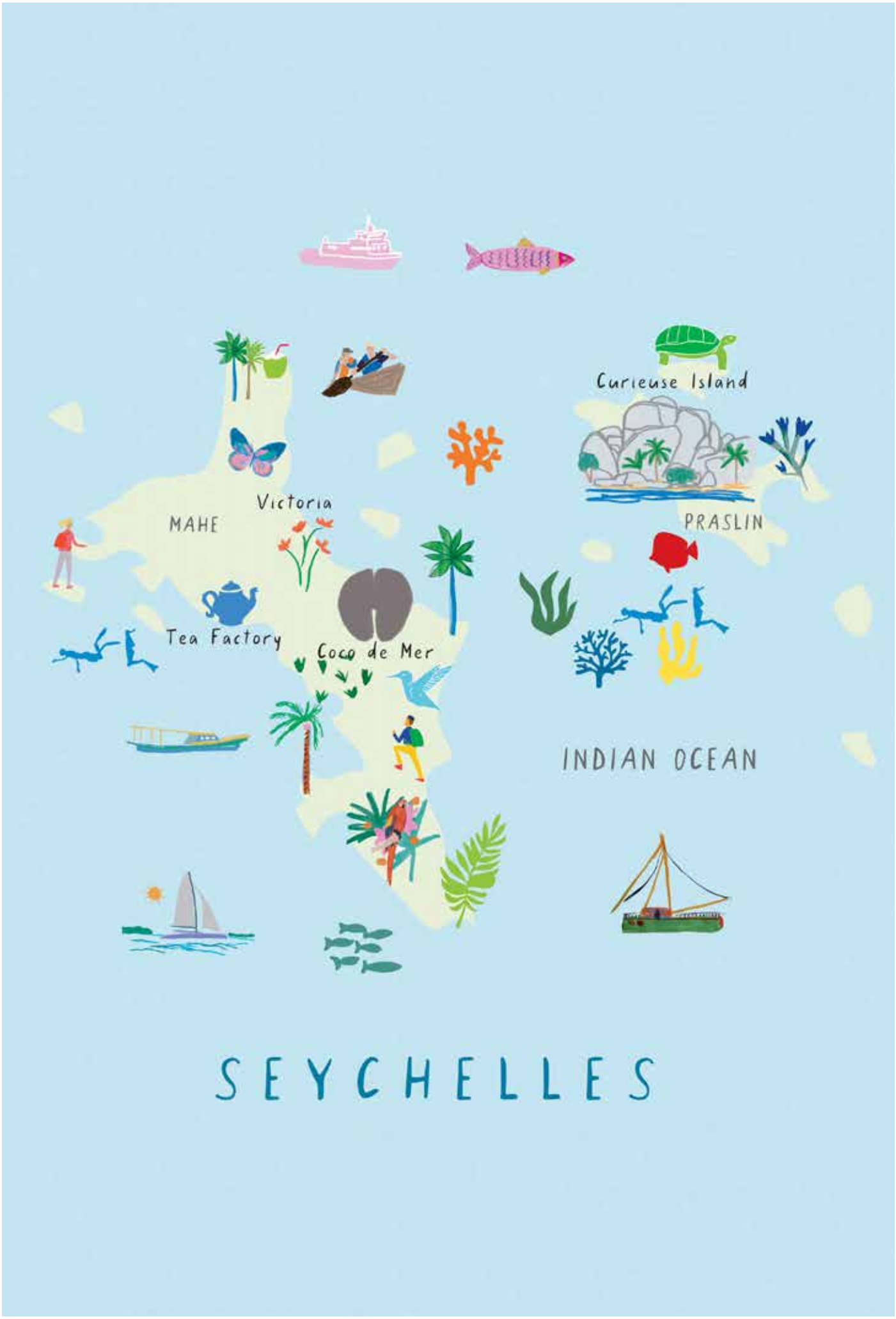
Location: Blue Bay Marine Park, Southwest Coast

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Seychelles

The Seychelles is an idyllic archipelago scattered across the warm waters of the Indian Ocean, renowned for its powder-soft beaches, crystal-clear lagoons and dramatic granite rock formations. The islands combine lush tropical forests, coral reefs and rare wildlife with a relaxed Creole culture and a sense of complete escape. Mahé offers verdant mountains and vibrant local markets, Praslin is home to the UNESCO-listed Vallée de Mai, while La Digue is famed for its laid-back charm and picture-perfect beaches.




Curieuse Island
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Tea Factory
Coco de Mer
INDIAN OCEAN
SEYCHELLES

Constance Ephelia



Nestled between two of the most beautiful white sand beaches on the island of Mahé and overlooking the marine national park of Port Launay, Constance Ephelia is the perfect destination for a memorable Seychelles holiday. The luxury 5-star Seychelles resort is created to blend seamlessly with its stunning natural surroundings of 120 hectares of land with luxuriant and rare vegetation. The 266 rooms, suites and villas offer a peaceful haven to relax and recharge. Located just a 40-minute drive from Seychelles International Airport and 30 minutes from the capital Victoria, this is a peaceful, unspoiled haven for couples and families alike, with endless options for relaxation, wellness, and sports.

Location: Mahé

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Carana Beach



Scattered across a pretty hillside in the north of the island, Carana Beach is a delightful boutique hotel with a relaxed atmosphere and a setting on one of Mahé's loveliest beaches. 40 chalets curve around the bay, each with wonderful views of lush foliage, turquoise ocean and white sand. Décor takes inspiration from the sea, blending pale tones, natural textures, white walls and timber-clad ceilings. There are just 2 chalet types, with ocean view pool chalets offering a little more space and private plunge pools. Lorizon serves breakfast with a view and elegant cuisine in the evenings, while the Carana Beach Bar offers light bites and cocktails. This low-key resort doesn't have a vast array of activities; however there is a lovely beach-side swimming pool and a bijou spa, and it's a great base from which to explore the island.

Location: Mahé

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Hilton Northolme Resort and Spa



Perched along Mahé's dramatic northwest coastline, overlooking the turquoise waters of Beau Vallon Bay, this resort has been designed for couples looking for the ultimate Seychelles experience. An intimate collection of private villas set among granite boulders and lush tropical gardens offer a secluded island escape with views of the Indian Ocean. All 56 villas are thoughtfully positioned to maximise privacy, with spacious interiors and outdoor living designed for immersive stays. There are 2 restaurants offering Creole-inspired plates or fresh seafood, whilst the 2 bars are the perfect location for sundowners. A range of activities are on offer including yoga, treatments at the eforea Spa, snorkelling to explore the coral reefs, as well as kayaking and nature trails to discover more of the surrounding area.

Location: Mahé

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Denis Island



Denis Island is a private coral island situated on the northern edge of the Seychelles bank, a 30-minute light aircraft flight from the main island of Mahé. Fringed by pristine white beaches and thriving coral reefs, the 375 acre island is home to this small island eco-conscious resort. There are 23 spacious cottages all located a stone's throw from the beach. All have ample interior and exterior living areas, private courtyards and a private beachfront area, whilst the Beach Villa also has its own private pool. Renowned for its sustainability, the restaurant serves meals that have a farm-to-fork focus with much of the produce being grown on the organic farm located on the island. There are a wealth of activities available, including a spa, snorkelling and diving as well as fishing.

Location: Praslin Island

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Constance Lemuria

Nestled within lush vegetation in the north of Praslin, this luxurious resort blends seamlessly with its pristine surroundings, where thatched suites and villas sit beneath swaying palms just steps from the beach. The accommodation is elegant and spacious, featuring cool tiled floors, vaulted ceilings, vibrant fabrics, deep soaking bathtubs and private terraces or balconies. Dining is exceptional with Creole and international cuisine at The Legend, refined dishes at Diva overlooking the golf course and fresh seafood at The Nest, perched on a rocky peninsula between 2 beaches. Alongside 3 swimming pools there is an 18-hole golf course, tennis courts, snorkelling, kayaking and a PADI-certified dive centre. The surrounding beaches are important turtle nesting sites and the resort also features an excellent spa with a comprehensive treatment menu.

Location: Praslin

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Coco de Mere & Black Parrot Suites

Surrounded by 200 acres of tropical beauty on the edge of the Indian Ocean, this lovely hotel is named after the unique Coco de Mer palm that thrives in the lush forests around the resort. The beautiful beach is just steps away, with soft sand, sun loungers and palm trees strung with hammocks. Rooms and suites are spacious with an airy tropical vibe, in-room baths and private balconies and terraces. Superior rooms are ocean front, while the 12 Black Parrot junior suites offer more space and exclusive facilities. Dining ranges from casual poolside meals to ocean view terraces and private beach dinners. Watersports, pools, guided walks, a shuttle to Anse Lazio and the Waterfront Spa complete the experience.

Location: Praslin

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Hotel L'Archipel

This boutique hotel is the ideal choice for those in search of tranquillity coupled with refined elegance and a colonial Creole flair. Located in the northeast region of Praslin, at the end of the Cote d'Or Bay, the hotel has sweeping views over the entire northern coast of Praslin and the Curieuse Marine Park. In total there are 28 rooms and suites spread across the hillside above a private beach, each with a veranda to enjoy the beautiful views. There are two restaurants serving local Creole inspired dishes; both are perfectly set to enjoy the soft ocean breeze. A selection of bars are located around the property, offering welcome refreshments between dips in the hotel pool. For those seeking something more energetic, SUP and snorkelling are on offer.

Location: Praslin

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



La Domaine de la Orangerie

On the tiny, unspoilt island of La Digue, this boutique hotel offers a tropical refuge with a zen-like atmosphere, blending local design with natural beauty. Sitting on Anse Severe beach, renowned for clear shallow waters, pink granite rocks and an offshore coral reef, the location is breathtaking. Villas and suites sit within the gardens or on the hillside, surrounded by birdsong, with higher elevations offering even more impressive views. Interiors are elegant and refined, while dining includes Santosha for buffet breakfasts and Creole-inspired dinners, and La Combava for à la carte local and international dishes. Relax by the infinity pool, snorkel the reef, hire a bicycle or explore nearby islands. The Eden Rock Wellness Centre & Spa completes the experience with spectacular views and soothing treatments.

Location: La Digue

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★



Mozambique

With miles of palm-fringed coastline, powder-soft beaches and the warm turquoise waters of the Indian Ocean, Mozambique is one of Africa's most idyllic beach destinations. From the untouched islands of the Bazaruto Archipelago to laid-back coastal towns and vibrant coral reefs, this beautiful country offers the perfect blend of barefoot luxury, adventure and relaxation, where days are spent snorkelling, sailing, diving or simply soaking up the spectacular ocean views.

Bahia Mar Boutique Hotel



Nestled peacefully on the shores of the Indian Ocean in Vilanculos is the Bahia Mar Boutique Hotel. The 22 rooms are either located in the peaceful surroundings of the gardens, or with breathtaking views over the ocean. All have private terraces or gardens with options suitable for those looking for quiet solitude or family escapes. Meals are based on fresh, locally sourced ingredients that reflect the traditional Mozambique culture. There is a range of facilities and activities available at the hotel, including a tranquil spa, yoga deck and for those looking for something more energetic, there is a fully equipped gym. The area is also a perfect base for discovering the natural beauty and rich culture of Mozambique. From kite surfing to deep sea fishing, or visits to local markets, there are experiences for every kind of traveller.

Location: Vilanculos

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

Santorini Mozambique



Located just a few minutes north of the small coastal village of Vilanculos, the Santorini Mozambique overlooks the white sandy beach of Kingfisher Bay. Inspired by Greek architecture, there are 5 suites in the main villa, a standalone suite, and a 2-bedroom villa and a 4-bedroom villa. The main villa is also home to a guest kitchen filled with snacks and refreshments, a courtyard pool, rooftop bar and shady outdoor spaces, whilst the individual suite and villas, which are slightly set apart, boast private pools. The on-site team of chefs ensure the food is exceptional and there is a range of dining spaces including courtyard pizza lunches, beach picnics and private dining. This area is often referred to as the 'gateway' to the Bazaruto Archipelago, and these beautiful islands are easily accessible by boat from the Santorini.

Location: Nr Vilanculos

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Azura Benguerra Island

Located within the spectacular Bazaruto Archipelago, Azura Benguerra Island sits on a pristine stretch of white sand overlooking the turquoise waters of the Indian Ocean. Reached by helicopter from the mainland, this boutique retreat blends barefoot luxury with contemporary Mozambican style. Villas are spacious and elegant, featuring private plunge pools, outdoor bathrooms and direct beach access, with ocean views throughout. Dining focuses on fresh local ingredients, including seafood and traditional Mozambican flavours, served in a variety of beachside settings. Activities include snorkelling, diving, dhow cruises, deep-sea fishing and horse riding, while the surrounding marine reserve offers exceptional opportunities to explore coral reefs, tropical fish and seasonal whale migrations. A spa and infinity pool complete the resort's relaxed island setting.

Location: Benguerra Island

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Anantara Bazaruto Island Resort

Set within the protected Bazaruto Archipelago National Park, Anantara Bazaruto Island Resort enjoys a spectacular location on one of Mozambique's most beautiful islands. Surrounded by white sandy beaches, swaying palms and turquoise Indian Ocean waters, the resort blends contemporary luxury with traditional island style. Accommodation includes elegant rooms, suites and private pool villas, many with direct beach access and sweeping ocean views. Dining ranges from fresh seafood and Mozambican specialities to international cuisine served in relaxed beachfront settings. The surrounding marine reserve offers exceptional diving and snorkelling, while other activities include dhow cruises, horse riding, deep-sea fishing and island excursions. There is also a spa, swimming pool and watersports centre, making this a superb base from which to experience the natural beauty of the Bazaruto Archipelago.

Location: Bazaruto Island

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Azura Marlin Lodge

Azura Marlin Lodge is located on the beautiful island of Benguerra, a short hop from the mainland near Vilanculos. Just 10 stylishly designed villas are nestled along one of the last undiscovered stretches of beach in the world, each offering elevated views of the turquoise waters below. Each has all the creature comforts one could wish for, with spacious indoor and outdoor living areas, and each includes a Mozambican butler-host to look after the guests' every need. There is a contemporary main restaurant with a cocktail lounge offering both indoor and outdoor dining whilst the rooftop terrace is a favourite for sunset cocktails. Guests can enjoy long, quiet walks on the beach, explore the underwater world from the fully equipped dive centre, or unwind with an African massage at the dedicated Pavilion.

Location: Benguerra Island

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



AsDunas Lodge

Located a 20-minute drive along the coast from Vilanculos town, AsDunas Lodge is an exclusive own-run boutique beach retreat offering luxury in a secluded beach and bush environment. Eight luxury suites feature a simple, barefoot luxury style set under thatch to enhance the feel. All have spacious interior and exterior areas and have private plunge pools. Meals are designed to maximise the use of fresh local ingredients, with a strong Mediterranean influence. There is a Spa offering a selection of complimentary massages (one per day) to ensure guests are immersed in their ethos of complete relaxation and rejuvenation. For exploring the area, a range of boat trips, snorkelling, scuba diving, canoe trips, kite surfing or riding are on offer. Whilst during the months of Jul-Sep whale watching trips are a must.

Location: Nr Vilanculos

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Maldives

Scattered across the warm waters of the Indian Ocean, the islands of the Maldives are paradise personified. This is a world of turquoise lagoons, soft white sands, vibrant marine life and endless horizons. Countless coral islands, formed by the crowns of a vast underwater volcanic mountain range, stretch for more than 500 miles across the ocean, just off the south-west coast of India. With an exceptional choice of resorts and islands, the Maldives caters to every kind of traveller.

Heritance Araha

Heritance Aarah is a stunning, all-inclusive resort in the pristine Raa Atoll, renowned for breathtaking natural beauty and exceptional service. Reached by a scenic 40-minute seaplane ride from Malé, the resort blends traditional Maldivian design with modern elegance. 150 villas and suites include beachfront and overwater options with direct lagoon or beach access, elegant interiors, private pools in many, and panoramic Indian Ocean views. Sustainability is central, with initiatives supporting marine conservation and the local community. Dining is a gourmet experience across several restaurants and bars, including Ambula, specialising in modern Sri Lankan cuisine. The impressive all-inclusive offering, overwater Medi Spa, watersports, diving, kids club and family-friendly services make this a popular choice.

Location: Raa Atoll

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



LUX* South Ari Atoll

LUX* South Ari Atoll offers a relaxed yet refined take on the classic Maldivian getaway. Located on Dhidhoofinolhu Island, just a 25-minute seaplane ride from Malé, the resort sits in one of the Maldives' most beautiful marine regions. The 193 beachfront and overwater villas combine modern, minimalist style with privacy, comfort and sweeping Indian Ocean views. Dining is a highlight, with 8 restaurants and 5 bars serving everything from Japanese and Italian cuisine to Southeast Asian flavours and plant-based dishes. Set within a marine protected area, it is one of the best places in the Maldives to spot whale sharks year-round. Diving, snorkelling, paddleboarding, kite surfing, a full-service spa, yoga, wellness classes and strong sustainability initiatives complete the experience.

Location: Dhidhoofinolhu Island

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★





Fushifaru

Tucked away on the edge of the Lhaviyani Atoll, Fushifaru sits on an island of the same name and is reached by a spectacular 35-minute seaplane flight from Malé. Ocean views stretch in all directions and its location beside a protected marine area puts some of the Maldives' best dive sites within easy reach. This eco-conscious resort offers beach and overwater villas, some with private pools, outdoor bathrooms, Jacuzzis and direct lagoon access. Dining ranges from Maldivian flavours at Korakali and grilled seafood at Raakani to teppanyaki and fresh juices on the beach. Days are spent enjoying watersports, diving, snorkelling and island excursions, while yoga sessions on the beach and the day spa bring a slower pace to the experience.

Location: Lhaviyani Atoll

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Velassaru Island Resort

Velassaru Maldives is a serene island retreat just 25 minutes by speedboat from Malé, yet it feels a world away. Set on a pristine coral island surrounded by turquoise waters and soft white sands, the resort combines modern design with traditional Maldivian beauty. The 129 villas and bungalows blend clean architecture with natural elements, offering privacy, comfort and uninterrupted views, with some with private pools and outdoor rain showers. Dining spans 5 restaurants and 2 bars, from Mediterranean and Japanese teppanyaki to Asian and continental flavours, with options to dine overwater, on the beach or under the stars. Guest experiences include an overwater spa, guided snorkelling, diving, watersports and yoga.

Location: South Male Atoll

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Baros Maldives

Baros Maldives is a boutique, adults-only resort on a lush island in the North Malé Atoll, offering a refined escape with understated elegance. One of the Maldives' original luxury resorts, it combines natural beauty with a strong commitment to sustainability. Accommodation includes beach villas, water villas and suites, all designed with natural materials, private verandas, outdoor showers and direct beach or lagoon access, with some featuring private pools. Dining is exceptional, from modern Asian and Mediterranean cuisine at The Lighthouse to grilled seafood at Cayenne Grill and lagoon views at Lime Restaurant, alongside memorable private dining experiences. Guests can explore the vibrant house reef, enjoy diving, snorkelling, dolphin cruises and fishing trips, while Serenity Spa and coral conservation initiatives complete the experience beautifully.

Location: North Male Atoll

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Meeru Island Resort

Located in the stunning northern Maldives, Meeru Island Resort & Spa is a natural paradise offering an exceptional blend of beauty and relaxation. Welcoming guests for more than 40 years, this charming island is around 55 minutes by speedboat from Malé and suits romantic escapes, family holidays and laid-back beach stays alike. Surrounded by turquoise waters, white sandy beaches and vibrant coral reefs, the resort offers spacious beachfront and overwater villas designed for comfort and privacy. Activities for all ages include snorkelling, diving, island walking trails and even a state-of-the-art museum. The Meeru Spa offers rejuvenating treatments, while dining ranges from international buffets to à la carte options. There is also a choice of excursions, sunset cruises and marine adventures.

Location: North Male Atoll

Our rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

South Africa

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Cape Town	°C	26	26	25	23	20	18	17	17	19	21	23	24
	rain	28	28	35	83	134	153	143	134	81	61	37	33
Kruger National Park	°C	33	32	31	29	27	25	24	26	29	30	30	32
	rain	103	106	67	35	15	11	10	8	21	33	77	92
Johannesburg	°C	26	25	25	22	20	17	17	20	23	25	25	25
	rain	138	107	91	61	21	9	7	8	27	74	118	123
Durban	°C	28	28	28	26	24	23	22	23	24	24	25	27
	rain	124	113	125	71	56	30	31	46	64	95	110	110
Plettenberg Bay	°C	24	25	23	22	20	19	19	19	19	20	22	24
	rain	73	66	74	77	75	68	69	97	79	90	77	66
Stellenbosch	°C	28	28	26	23	20	18	17	17	19	22	25	26
	rain	17	27	28	74	118	128	112	114	62	54	35	20
The Drakensberg	°C	24	23	22	19	17	15	15	17	20	21	21	23
	rain	47	55	63	30	14	5	2	4	7	90	123	156

Zimbabwe

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Victoria Falls	°C	31	31	31	31	29	26	26	29	33	35	34	32
	rain	170	139	79	21	4	1	0	0	2	19	68	167
Hwange National Park	°C	29	29	29	29	27	25	25	28	32	34	32	30
	rain	143	116	57	27	4	1	0	0	3	18	64	123
Lake Kariba	°C	31	31	32	32	31	29	29	31	35	37	34	32
	rain	185	74	94	27	6	1	0	1	0	14	64	179

Botswana

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Okavango Delta	°C	32	31	31	30	28	25	25	28	32	35	33	32
	rain	106	105	59	25	1	1	0	0	4	21	50	84
Chobe National Park	°C	31	31	31	30	28	25	26	29	33	35	33	31
	rain	128	110	67	18	2	0	0	0	1	25	42	101
Gaborone	°C	32	32	30	27	24	22	22	25	29	31	31	32
	rain	85	79	61	33	11	4	4	4	12	37	58	72

Namibia

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Sossusvlei & Sesriem	°C	25	25	25	24	22	21	20	20	21	23	24	25
	rain	6	8	13	4	2	3	1	1	1	1	2	1
Damaraland	°C	27	26	26	26	24	22	21	24	26	28	28	27
	rain	54	64	81	25	3	0	0	0	2	10	20	17
The Skeleton Coast	°C	23	24	24	23	22	21	19	18	19	20	22	22
	rain	5	4	10	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

°C Average daily maximum temperature Average monthly rainfall (mm)

Kenya

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Amboseli National Park	°C	30	31	30	28	26	25	24	25	27	29	29	28
		45	56	87	146	68	13	4	5	7	31	103	80
Masai Mara	°C	28	28	28	27	26	26	25	26	27	28	27	27
		82	95	124	166	110	59	28	44	52	56	100	111
Nairobi	°C	26	27	27	25	24	23	23	25	25	26	24	25
		48	49	95	200	151	37	15	21	22	52	132	83

Tanzania

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Dar es Saleem	°C	31	32	32	31	30	29	29	29	29	30	31	31
		68	76	140	256	169	34	28	23	27	56	117	96
Mount Kilimanjaro	°C	2	4	3	2	0	-1	-1	-1	1	2	1	1
		168	165	296	327	172	63	64	71	67	172	296	235
Serengeti National Park	°C	27	27	27	26	25	25	25	25	27	27	26	26
		94	99	136	137	64	27	12	25	31	42	96	111

Mauritius

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Grand Baie	°C	29	29	29	28	27	25	24	24	25	27	28	29
		235	242	191	171	97	83	83	76	54	50	66	162
Port Louis	°C	29	29	29	28	27	25	24	24	25	27	28	29
		235	242	191	171	97	83	83	76	54	50	66	162

Seychelles

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
La Digue	°C	28	29	29	30	30	28	27	27	27	28	29	28
		366	278	193	183	143	74	65	84	128	170	194	278
Mahé Island	°C	28	28	29	30	29	28	27	27	27	28	28	28
		379	288	200	192	148	77	68	88	135	177	201	292

Mozambique

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Bazaruto Archipelago	°C	31	31	30	30	28	26	26	26	27	29	30	31
		164	167	98	49	41	31	20	25	19	26	74	149
Maputo	°C	30	31	30	29	27	25	25	26	27	29	29	30
		158	133	91	56	29	18	18	26	38	75	75	87

Maldives

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Malé	°C	30	30	31	32	31	31	30	30	30	30	30	30
		84	52	83	129	219	169	158	188	217	224	201	224

°C Average daily maximum temperature Average monthly rainfall (mm)

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The following pages give information relevant to certain products and services in this brochure. Please read it carefully as it forms part of your contract with us.

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Our standard deposit per person plus 25% per person of the value of the guided tour price is required on reservation of all guided tours.

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Fuel: If the vehicle is not returned with a full tank of fuel, clients will be charged the applicable amount to refill the tank along with a refuelling charge which will be deducted from the rental deposit. The renter can prepay for a full tank of fuel at checkout. This will eliminate finding a petrol station and guarantee a stress-free return of vehicle - No refunds will be done on prepaid tank of fuel.

Refundable rental deposit: This deposit is collected at time of rental to cover fuel and any additional charges. Authorisation for the applicable amount will be obtained on the credit card at time of pick-up. When the customer returns the vehicle and no charges are applicable, Europcar will cancel the applicable authorisation, which can take up to 5-7 working days to reflect on the credit card.

One Way Rentals: One way rentals are permitted however may be subject to a one way fee. Details of one-way fees are available on request.

Cross Border Rentals: Cross Border rentals between South Africa and the countries listed below are permitted, however a cross border fee will be applicable, details on request. Rentals are permitted between South Africa and Namibia, Botswana, Eswatini, Lesotho.

Traffic & Parking Fines: In the event of a traffic violation on rent, a fine will be issued to Europcar. Upon receipt of the traffic fine, Europcar will redirect such traffic fine to the renter as per our Terms & Conditions. The relevant traffic metro will re-issue the traffic fine to the renter, who remains liable for payment thereof. Please be advised that traffic fines are sometimes received months after the original incident.

In the event of a spot fine, the renter is obliged to return the traffic fine to Europcar. Alternatively, the renter may settle the traffic fine directly with the relevant traffic authority. Proof of this payment should be safeguarded by the renter to avoid any late administration fees levied.

Traffic & Parking Fine Administration Fees: Europcar will charge a fee per fine to cover the administration costs incurred in dealing with each infringement notice and liaising with the relevant Roads and Traffic Authority.

Airlines/Aircraft: Airlines reserve the right to substitute carriers, aircraft types, configuration and classes on their flights. A schedule change may range from five minutes to a day or more. If a schedule change does occur, and we are told about it before departure, we will offer a revised itinerary and holiday cost to reflect that change. Please note that the holiday price could be higher or lower, depending on the flight affected. Notwithstanding the above, the provisions of paragraph 10 of our Booking Terms & Conditions apply. Some airlines may still consider an intermediary touchdown on a flight as a 'direct' flight.

Alcohol Policy: All airlines operate a zero-tolerance policy for excess consumption of alcohol on board their flights. Some airlines may or may not serve alcohol on their flights, and some will charge for alcoholic and soft drinks.

Delays: Liability for flight delays are as per the airline's own conditions of carriage. Please see our terms and conditions or call for more information.

Seat reservations: Advance seat requests can be made, charges may apply.

Arrival in South Africa: Customs & immigration formalities are carried out at your first entry point. Therefore, if the journey to your destination involves a change of aircraft, you will normally be required to re-claim your baggage to complete the formalities, check-in staff will confirm.

Schedule Changes: Flight schedules are arranged many months in advance, and although rare, some flight rescheduling does occur. In most instances, the changes are kept to a minimum and we will do our best to inform you as soon as possible. Your return flight should be reconfirmed with your airline 72 hours before departure. Please note that schedule changes are made by the airline, not by First Class Holidays. We cannot accept liability for any extra charges incurred as a result of a rescheduled flight.

Taxes: Taxes and service charges including airport improvement fees in effect at the time of printing are included in our prices.

Baggage Allowance: Luggage allowances vary depending on your chosen airline and the fare purchased. Please ask for details. Please note that charter airlines and schedule airlines that operate into game reserves / national parks may have reduced baggage allowances of 15kg per person and may also require soft bags without wheels or stiffeners. Please check with us at time of reservation.

Meal Requests: All international flights include a meal service; however, flights within South Africa may not include meals. Your Airline will provide any special meals that you may require (vegetarian, diabetic etc.). Please request your special meal with your reservation's consultant at the time of booking.

Child Discounts: These will vary dependent upon your airline but as a general rule children 2-11 years pay 75% of the adult fare. Infants under 2 and not occupying a seat pay 10% of the adult fare if the return date is prior to their 2nd birthday.

HOTELS

Hotel Rating: We have created our unique rating based on location, facilities and experience. In some smaller locations, options may be few and and may be reflected in the rating, for example, a game lodge may be classified slightly higher due to the experience that it offers. Look out for our classification throughout our brochure.

Meals: Some of our lodges, resorts and game reserves include all meals as, quite simply, there is nowhere else to go. The dining is universally of a very good standard but may be served family style. Part of the experience is to get to know your fellow guests and discuss the day's events and you may well be joined by the guides too.

If you have any dietary requirements, please advise us at the time of enquiry so that we can check with the property that they can be accommodated. If you are taking a guided tour, self-drive or any other package that includes meals our descriptions show the meals included.

Checking In & Out Times: Check in time is normally after 3pm on the day of arrival, check out time between 10am and 12 noon. If you require a late check out, you should be able to arrange a day room for which you should pay the hotel directly (subject to availability).

Additional charges: Hotels may charge for items such as telephone, safe, parking, newspapers, movies, internet and other items. Please check with your hotel for a list of charges which are payable locally. Not all hotels in Africa offer tea/coffee-making facilities in your room.

Hotel Guests: First Class Holidays do not own the properties featured in our brochure, we have no control over other guests or individual hotel policies. We are unable to accept liability for conferences or conventions being held at your hotel, or for any facilities or amenities, which may be restricted as a result.

Non-Brochure Hotels: Please note that if your chosen hotel is not featured in our brochure, we are willing to contact the hotel to obtain rates and make a reservation on your behalf. Please note however that our ground handlers in Africa may not have inspected some non-featured hotels and therefore we cannot accept liability for any lapse in standard or facilities.

Room Types: It should be noted that a twin or double room is based on two people sharing either one or two beds (i.e. a double room may have one or two beds). Please note we cannot guarantee a double bed for honeymoon couples or twin beds for single sex occupants. When booking two or more rooms, we can request, but cannot guarantee, adjacent rooms. Please advise our staff at the time of booking if would like to make this request.

Security deposits: A credit card imprint will be requested on checking in at your accommodation, as a security deposit.

Local taxes: Value added tax (V.A.T) is levied at the standard rate set by the relevant Government on the supply of goods and services by registered vendors. In some instances, foreign visitors may claim back the value added tax on certain items which they take out of the country. This can be done at various points of exit such as airports and border posts. Please check the relevant government website for more details on refund procedures / requirements.

Building Works: Where we are advised of building work taking place at your hotel, we will notify you of the work being undertaken, however we cannot take liability for building works outside your accommodation or elsewhere in your destination.

Our Prices: Hotel prices fluctuate based on demand and we are constantly in contact with our suppliers to ensure that we offer the very best prices available; for that reason prices are not shown so that we can search for and confirm the best available price at the time of booking.

Currency: If you plan to carry cash with you whilst on holiday, we recommend that you purchase a pre-paid currency card. All major credit cards are widely accepted, and we suggest that clients carry at least one card.

Excursions: Any excursions or tours that you book or pay for whilst on holiday are not part of your package holiday provided by us. For anything that you do book in this way, your contract will be with the operator of the tour or excursion and not with us. We are not responsible for the provision of these excursions or tours or anything that occurs during them.

Gratuities: Service charges are not usually included on bills in restaurants and bars. It is standard practise to tip service personnel 10 – 15% of the bill. Tips to tour drivers and escorts are not normally included in your tour cost and are at your own discretion

Travel Insurance: A valid insurance policy is a condition of your booking. We do not sell insurance and advise that you research to find the most appropriate insurance policy to suit your health requirements and needs.

Park fees: Park/Concession fees per person are applicable and tend to be included in the cost of your holiday unless advised in your quote.

Safari & Wildlife Viewing: When booking a wildlife safari, it should be noted that as you are travelling to view the animals in their natural environments, sightings cannot be guaranteed. The safari guides will do their utmost to ensure that sightings are made, however, if this is not possible, refunds will not be made. For your own safety and that of fellow passengers, you are urged to heed all instructions provided by the safari guide during sightings.

Suitable clothing: During Spring and Summer months casual lightweight clothing is recommended with a light raincoat. Autumn and Winter months temperatures vary on location and we advise suitable layers and a warm jacket for colder evenings. For safari we recommend shorts / trousers and t-shirts / long sleeved shirts in neutral colours. Please avoid bright colours when out on safari. Comfortable shoes and sandals along with a hat and jacket relevant to your season of travel is advisable. A torch with batteries, sun screen, insect repellent, cameras and binoculars are considered essential safari packing.

Travelling in Vehicles: When travelling in any motor vehicle seatbelts (if provided) must always be worn.

Smoking: All vehicles are 100% non-smoking. A cleaning penalty will be charged if smoking is detected.

Valet: Vehicle cleaning service - vehicles need to be returned in the same condition in which the customer received the vehicle. If this is not the case it will be up to Management's discretion to charge a full valet.

Parking/Traffic Violations: You are responsible for reporting and paying all parking/traffic violations when returning your vehicle. Your credit card will be charged for any charges/fines/penalties incurred, in addition to an administration fee, if you do not report a parking/traffic violation when returning your vehicle.

Refunds: We regret that we cannot provide any refund for any unused rental days shown on a voucher.

Unused services: No refunds are allowed for unused services provided in your package. Therefore, should you cancel, amend or miss any part of your tour / holiday, we will not be responsible for any refund.

FLIGHT INFORMATION

All flights are non-smoking.

Flight tickets: Where possible, we will issue e-tickets for your flights, which are electronic paperless tickets, meaning no worries about losing part of your travel documents. An itinerary will be issued with your documents showing all your flight arrangements that you can present at check in.

Checking in: You must check in for your international flights approximately 3 hours prior to departure time on your ticket or e-ticket. Please note that due to increased security measures, some airlines may request personal information on check in such as home address or address for your initial stay.

Special Requests: Unfortunately, we have no control over the allocation of seats on a flight and cannot guarantee that you will be sitting with your travelling companion. If you require special seating for medical reasons, please let us know. Some airlines allow you to pre-book your seats for a small charge, please call us for more information.

PASSPORTS, VISAS & HEALTH

Passports & Visas: Details of such requirements are included in your quote, however please note that it is the traveller's responsibility to ensure that they have a valid passport and visa if necessary for the destinations included in their itinerary. First Class Holidays cannot be held responsible if you are not in possession of the correct documentation.

Other Destinations including Stopovers & Onward Destinations: Please check the documentation requirements for any additional country you may be visiting, including any cities your flight routing may make a touch down at. We feature several additional countries in this brochure, so it is important you check the requirements of each you may be visiting. It is the traveller's responsibility to ensure they hold the correct legal documentation for all destinations visited. First Class Holidays cannot be held responsible if you are not in possession of the correct documentation.

Visit https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice for more information.

Travelling with children: There are special requirements for travelling to South Africa with children under 18, and for unaccompanied children entering South Africa. Please contact the South African High Commission for full details of required documentation when travelling with children

Health Requirements: At least 8 weeks before your trip, check the vaccinations and vaccination certificates you may need on TravelHealthPro https://travelhealthpro.org.uk/country/201/south-africa

Travellers should ideally arrange an appointment with their health professional at least four to six weeks before travel. However, even if time is short, an appointment is still worthwhile. This appointment provides an opportunity to assess health risks taking into account a number of factors including destination, medical history, and planned activities. For those with pre-existing health problems, an earlier appointment is recommended. All travellers should ensure they have adequate travel health insurance.

Foreign Office Advice

The safety of our customers is our priority and as such we work in line with the advice provided by the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office. We recommend that you keep up to date with this advice, which can be accessed via the FCDO office website at www.fco.gov.uk.

Health requirements

Details of any compulsory health requirements applicable to British Citizens for your holiday can be found at https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice. Please check with your GP / local travel clinic with regards Malaria precautions and medications.

Yellow Fever Certificate Requirements

A Yellow Fever Vaccination Certificate is required for travellers arriving from countries with risk of yellow fever or who have transited for more than 12 hours through an airport of a country with risk of yellow fever.

Data Protection Statement: Please be assured that we have measures in place to protect the personal booking information held by us. This information will be passed on to the principal and to the relevant suppliers of your travel arrangements. The information may also be provided to public authorities such as customs or immigration if required by them, or as required by law. Certain information may also be passed on to security or credit checking companies. If you travel outside the European Economic Area, controls on data protection may not be as strong as the legal requirements in this country. We will only pass your information on to persons responsible for your travel arrangements. This applies to any sensitive information that you give to us such as details of any disabilities, or dietary/religious requirements. (If we cannot pass this information to the relevant suppliers, whether in the EEA or not, we will be unable to provide your booking. In making this booking, you consent to this information being passed on to the relevant persons.) Full details of our data protection policy are available upon request.

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Documentation: Once your booking is confirmed, you will receive a confirmation invoice which will detail all the arrangements made on your behalf. On receipt, please check all details thoroughly, including the spelling of all names and advise your travel agent immediately if you have any concerns. Your final travel documents will be sent to your travel agent 2 to 3 weeks before departure and may include airline e-tickets, hotel and travel vouchers, maps, tourist information and a day by day personalised itinerary. For some packages, a more detailed documentation kit will be sent to your first hotel.

Terms & Conditions

1st Class Holidays Limited Booking Conditions
The following Booking Conditions together with the Important Information, our Privacy Policy and any other written information we brought to your attention before we confirmed your booking form the basis of your contract with 1st Class Holidays Ltd, trading as First Class Holidays, company number 03445248 and registered address, Trafford House, Chester Road, Manchester M32 0RS ("we", "us", "our").

Please read them carefully as they set out our respective rights and obligations. In these booking conditions, "you" and "your" means all persons named on the booking and all persons on whose behalf a booking is made or any other person to whom a booking is added or transferred.
Except where otherwise stated, these booking conditions only apply to holiday arrangements which you book with us in the UK and which we agree to make, provide or perform (as applicable) as part of our contract with you. All references in these booking conditions to "holiday", "booking", "contract", "package", "tour" or "arrangements" mean such holiday arrangements unless otherwise stated.

By making a booking, the first named person on the booking, the ("party leader") agrees on behalf of all persons detailed on the booking that:
A) He/she has read these Booking Conditions and has the authority to and does agree to be bound by them;

B) He/she consents to our use of personal data in accordance with our Privacy Policy and is authorised on behalf of all persons named on the booking to disclose their personal details to us, including where applicable, special categories of data (such as information on health conditions or disabilities and dietary requirements)

C) He/she is over 18 years of age and resident in the United Kingdom and where placing an order for services with age restrictions declares that he/she and all members of the party are of the appropriate age to purchase those services

D) He/she accepts financial responsibility for payment of the booking on behalf of all persons detailed on the booking.

1. Making a booking
Subject to the availability of your chosen arrangements, we will confirm your holiday by issuing a confirmation invoice. This invoice will be sent to the party leader or your travel agent. A binding contract will come into existence between you and us as soon as we have issued you with a booking confirmation that will confirm the details of your booking and will be sent to you or your travel agent. If your confirmed arrangements include a flight, we (or if you booked via an authorised agent of ours, that agent) will also issue you with an ATOL Certificate. Upon receipt, if you believe that any details on the ATOL Certificate or booking confirmation or any other document are wrong, you must contact us immediately as it may not be possible to make changes later. We regret we cannot accept any liability if we are not notified of any inaccuracies (for which we are responsible) in any document within ten days of our sending it out (five days for tickets). We will do our best to rectify any mistake notified to us outside these time limits, but you must meet any costs involved in doing so.

2. Payment
In order to confirm your chosen holiday, a deposit of 10% of the total holiday cost (or full payment if booking within 89 days of departure) must be paid at the time of booking. The balance of the holiday cost must be received by us not less than 89 days prior to departure. This date will be shown on the confirmation invoice. Reminders are not sent. If we do not receive all payments due (including any surcharge where applicable) in full and on time, we reserve the right to treat your booking as cancelled by you, in which case the cancellation charges set out in clause 5 below, will become payable.

Except for flight inclusive bookings, all monies you pay to one of our authorised travel agents for your holiday with us will be held by the agent on your behalf until a contract between us comes into existence. After that point, your agent will hold the monies on our behalf until they are paid to us. For flight inclusive bookings, all monies paid to any authorised travel agent of ours for your holiday with us will be held on behalf of and for the benefit of the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust subject to the travel agent's obligation to pay such monies to us in accordance with our trading terms unless we fail. In the unlikely event of our financial failure, all monies then held by the travel agent or subsequently paid by you to the travel agent will be held by the agent on behalf of and for the benefit of the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust without any obligation on the agent to pay such monies to us.

3. Contract
A binding contract between us comes into existence when we issue our confirmation invoice to the party leader or your travel agent. We both agree that English Law (and no other) will apply to your contract and to any dispute, claim or other matter of any description which arises between us ("claim") (except as set out below). We both also agree that any claim (and whether or not involving any personal injury) must be dealt with under the ABTA Alternative Dispute Resolution Process (if the process is available for the claim in question and you wish to use it – see clause 13) or by the Courts of England and Wales only unless, in the case of Court proceedings, you live in Scotland or Northern Ireland. In this case, proceedings must either be brought in the Courts of your home country or those of England and Wales. If proceedings are brought in Scotland or Northern Ireland, you may choose to have your contract and claim governed by the law of Scotland/Northern Ireland as applicable (but if you do not so choose, English law will apply).

4. Holiday Insurance
We consider adequate travel insurance to be essential. It is a condition of your contract with us that you should take out insurance to cover you in the event of illness, personal injury or death during the course of your holiday and for cancellation.

Please read your policy details carefully and take them with you on holiday. It is your responsibility to ensure that the insurance cover you purchase is suitable and adequate for your particular needs. We do not check alternative insurance policies.

5. If you change your booking & transfers of booking
If, after your confirmation has been issued you wish to make changes to your confirmed holiday, you must notify us in writing as soon as possible. This should be done by the first named person on the booking. Whilst we will endeavour to assist, we cannot guarantee we will be able to meet any such requests. Where we can, an amendment fee of £50.00 per person will be payable together with any costs incurred by ourselves and any costs or charges incurred or imposed by any of our suppliers. You should be aware that these costs could increase the closer to the departure date that changes are made and you should contact us as soon as possible. A change of holiday dates will normally be treated as a cancellation of the original booking and rebooking in which case cancellation charges in accordance with clause 6 of these Booking Conditions, will apply. Changes may result in the recalculation of the holiday price where, for example, the basis on which the price of the original holiday was calculated has changed.

Transfer of Booking: If you or any member of your party is prevented from travelling, that person(s) may transfer their place to someone else, subject to the following conditions:

a. that person is introduced by you and satisfies all the conditions applicable to the holiday;

b. we are notified not less than 7 days before departure;

c. you pay any outstanding balance payment, an amendment fee of £50 per person transferring, as well as any additional fees, charges or other costs arising from the transfer; and

d. the transferee agrees to these booking conditions and all other terms of the contract between us.

You and the transferee remain jointly and severally liable for payment of all sums. If you are unable to find a replacement, cancellation charges as set out in clause 6 will apply in order to cover our estimated costs. Otherwise, no refunds will be given for passengers not travelling or for unused services.

Important Note: Certain arrangements may not be amended or transferred after they have been confirmed and any alteration could incur a cancellation charge of up to 100% of that part of the arrangements. Most airlines do not permit name changes and such changes are likely to be the full cost of the flight.

6. If you cancel your holiday before departure
You or any member of your party, may cancel your holiday at any time provided that the cancellation is made by the party leader and is received by us in writing. As we incur costs from the date we confirm your booking we will retain your deposit and in addition apply cancellation charges up to the maximum amount shown below. The amount of cancellation charge shown is a percentage of the total holiday price excluding insurance premiums and amendment charges which are non-refundable in any event. These charges are calculated from the date we receive your written notification at our offices.

Period before departure in which we receive your notification	Cancellation charge payable
More than 89 days	Deposit Only
Between 88 and 31 days	50%
Between 30 and 15 days	75%
14 days or less	100%

IMPORTANT NOTE: Certain arrangements on this website and in our brochure have different cancellation terms than those stated above These are either noted on the website, the relevant brochure page or will be advised on your confirmation invoice.
NOTE: Depending on the reason for cancellation, you may be able to reclaim these charges if the reason for cancellation is covered under the terms of your holiday insurance policy.
Where any cancellation reduces the number of full paying party members below the number on which the price, number of free places and/ or any concessions agreed for your booking were based, we will recalculate these items and re-invoice you accordingly.
See clause 5 "If you change your booking & transfers of booking" if any member(s) of your party are prevented from travelling.

Cancellation by You due to Unavoidable & Extraordinary Circumstances:
You may terminate the package travel contract at any time before the start of the package without paying a cancellation charge in the event of "unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances" occurring at the place of destination or its immediate vicinity which will significantly affect the performance of the package or carriage to your holiday destination. In these circumstances, we shall provide you with a full refund of the monies you have paid but we will not be liable to pay you any additional compensation. For the purposes of this clause, "unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances" may include warfare, other serious security problems such as terrorism, significant risks to human health such as the outbreak of serious disease at the travel destination, or natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes or weather conditions which make it impossible to travel safely to the travel destination as agreed in the package travel contract. This clause 6 outlines the rights you have if you wish to cancel your booking. Please note that there is no automatic statutory right of cancellation under the Consumer Contracts (Information, Cancellation and Additional Charges) Regulations 2013.

7. If you have a complaint
In the unlikely event that you have any reason to complain or experience any problems with your holiday whilst away, you must immediately inform our local representative or agent (if we have one) and the supplier of the service(s) in question. Any verbal notification must be put in writing and given to our representative / agent and the supplier as soon as possible. If we do not have or you cannot contact our local representative or agent and any complaint or problem is not resolved to your satisfaction by the supplier, you must contact us in the UK using the contact details we have provided you with during your holiday, giving us full details and a contact number. Until we know about a complaint or problem, we cannot begin to resolve it. If you remain dissatisfied, however, you must notify us in writing within 28 days of the completion of your holiday and this must be to us at the address detailed in paragraph one of these Booking Conditions.

You must quote your booking reference number, holiday number and departure date. For all complaints and claims which do not involve death, personal injury or illness, we regret we cannot accept liability in respect of any complaint or claims which are not notified to us in accordance with this clause. If you fail to follow this simple complaint procedure, your right to claim any compensation you may otherwise have been entitled to may be affected or even lost as a result.
Please note that we offer an Alternative Dispute Resolution Service through our ABTA membership. Please see clause 18 for further details.

8. Behaviour and damage
When you book with us, you accept responsibility for any damage or loss caused by you or any member of your party. Full payment for any such damage or loss (reasonably estimated if not precisely known) must be made direct to the accommodation owner or manager or other supplier or to us as soon as possible. If the actual cost of the loss or damage exceeds the amount paid where estimated, you must pay the difference once known. If the actual cost is less than the amount paid, the difference will be refunded. You will also be responsible for meeting any claims subsequently made against us and all costs incurred by us (including our own and the other party's full legal costs) as a result of your actions. You should ensure you have appropriate travel insurance to protect you if this situation arises.

All our customers are expected to conduct themselves in an orderly and acceptable manner and not to disrupt the enjoyment of others. If in our reasonable opinion or in the reasonable opinion of some other person in authority, you or any member of your party behaves in such a way as to cause or be likely to cause damage, distress, danger or annoyance to other clients, employees, property or to any third party, or damage to property, we reserve the right to terminate the holiday of the person(s) concerned immediately. In the event of such termination our liability to you and/or your party will cease and you and/or your party will be required to leave the accommodation or other service immediately. We will have no further obligations toward such person(s) including any return travel arrangements. No refunds will be made, and we will not pay any expenses or costs incurred as a result of the termination.

9. Entry Passport, Visa and Immigration Requirements, Safety & Health Formalities
It is your responsibility to check and fulfil the entry, passport, visa, immigration requirements, safety and health formalities applicable to your itinerary. We can only provide general information about this. You must check requirements for your own specific circumstances with the relevant Embassies and/ or Consulates, the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office ('FCDO') and your own doctor as applicable. Requirements and the safety of the countries and areas in which you will be travelling to, do change and you must check the up to date position in good time before departure in order to make your decisions accordingly.
Most countries now require passports to be valid for at least 6 months after your return date. If your passport is in its final year, you should check with the Embassy of the country you are visiting. For further information contact the Passport Office on 0870 5210410 or visit https://www.gov.uk/browse/citizenship/passports.

Special conditions apply for travel to the USA, and all passengers must have individual machine readable passports. Please check https://uk.usembassy.gov.

For European travel you should obtain a UK Global Health Insurance Card (UK GHIC) prior to departure unless you are able to rely upon an existing European Health Insurance Card (EHIC).
For travel to Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Switzerland, UK GHIC and EHIC can not be used for medical treatment. Passengers to these destinations should obtain comprehensive medical insurance prior to departure, including cover for emergency medical treatment and associated costs.
Up to date travel advice can be obtained from the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, visit https://www.gov.uk/travelaware.
Non British passport holders, including other EU nationals, should obtain up to date advice on entry, passport, visa, health and immigration requirements from the Embassy, High Commission or Consulate of your destination or country(ies) through which you are travelling.

We do not accept any responsibility if you cannot travel, or incur any other loss because you have not complied with any entry, passport, visa, immigration requirements or health formalities. You agree to reimburse us in relation to any fines or other losses which we incur as a result of your failure to comply with any entry passport, visa, immigration requirements or health formalities.
Please note: The impacts of Brexit may change your visa, ticket and health requirements. Third country nationals may require an airport transit visa when passing through EU Member States. There is the potential for disruption at borders when travelling between the UK and EU Member States and you should allow sufficient time for this when planning any onward travel. You should check any impacts of Brexit on your travel, in advance of your departure, to ensure that you fulfil the requirements post-Brexit, including any passport validly requirements.

10. The price of your holiday
Please note, any prices shown are a guide only and subject to change at time of booking.

We reserve the right to amend the price of unsold holidays at any time and correct errors in the prices of confirmed holidays. We also reserve the right to increase the price of confirmed holidays solely to allow for increase which are a direct consequence of changes in:
(i) the price of the carriage of passengers resulting from the cost of fuel or other power sources;
(ii) the level of taxes or fees applicable to the holiday imposed by third parties not directly involved in the performance of the holiday, including tourist taxes, landing taxes or embarkation or disembarkation fees at ports and airports; and
(iii) the exchange rates relevant to the package

Such variations could include but are not limited to airline cost changes which are part of our contracts with airlines (and their agents), cruise ship operators and any other service providers.

We will absorb and you will not be charged for any increase equivalent to 2% of the price of your travel arrangements, which excludes insurance premiums and any amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements. You will be charged for the amount over and above that. However, if this means that you have to pay an increase of more than 8% of the price of your confirmed holiday (excluding any insurance premiums, amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements), you will have the option of accepting a change to another holiday if we are able to offer one (if this is of equivalent or higher quality you will not have to pay more but if it is of lower quality you will be refunded the difference in price), or cancelling and receiving a full refund of all monies paid to us, except for any insurance premiums and any amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements. Should you decide to cancel for this reason, you must exercise your right to do so within 7 days from the issue date printed on your final invoice. We will consider an appropriate refund of your insurance premiums paid if you can show that you are unable to transfer or reuse your policy.
Should the price of your holiday go down due to the changes mentioned above then any refund due will be paid to you less an administrative fee of £10. However, please note that travel arrangements are not always purchased in local currency and some apparent changes have no impact on the price of your travel due to contractual and other protection in place.

There will be no change made to the price of your confirmed holiday within 20 days of your departure nor will refunds be paid during this period.

Please also note that our holiday prices include all coach travel, accommodation and meals as specified in the holiday description and VAT and a Goods and Service Tax (GST), where applicable. A GST is levied on hotel and other elements of your holiday package. Similar to British VAT a proportion of this tax is refundable to overseas visitors. Rather than impose on you the responsibility for reclaiming any rebate due we have already deducted this amount in calculating the holiday prices shown in this brochure.

When making your booking, you waive your personal right to claim a GST rebate applicable to your holiday package and assign such entitlement to us as the tour operator. This will then enable us to reclaim the tax paid by us on your behalf and no further refunds will be due to you. Reservations can only be accepted on this express understanding. Unless specifically indicated in holiday itinerary or description contained in this brochure, entrance fees, guide fees, city sightseeing tours and optional excursions are not included in the holiday cost.

11. If we change or cancel your holiday
The arrangements for holidays are made many months in advance. Accordingly, we must reserve the right to make changes to brochure and holiday details both before and after your booking has been confirmed. Most of these changes will, however, be insignificant.

Changes: If we make an insignificant change to your holiday, we will make reasonable efforts to notify you or your travel agent as soon as is reasonably possible before your departure, but we will have no liability to you. Examples of insignificant changes include alteration to your outward/return flights by less than 12 hours, changes to aircraft type, change of accommodation to another of the same or higher standard, changes of carriers. Please note that carriers such as airlines used in the brochure may be subject to change.

Occasionally we may have to make a significant change to your confirmed arrangements. Examples of significant changes include the following when made before departure;

(a) a change of accommodation to that of a lower official classification or standard for the whole or a significant part of the time you are away;

(b) a change of accommodation area for the whole or a significant part of the time you are away,

(c) a change of outward departure time or overall length of your arrangements by more than 12 hours,

(d) a change of UK departure airport except between:

- The London airports: Gatwick, Heathrow, Luton, Stansted, London City and Southend
- The South Coast airports: Southampton, Bournemouth and Exeter
- The South Western airports: Cardiff and Bristol
- The Midland airports: Birmingham, East Midlands and Doncaster Sheffield
- The Northern airports: Liverpool, Manchester and Leeds Bradford
- The North eastern airports: Newcastle and Teesside
- The Scottish airports: Edinburgh, Glasgow, Prestwick and Aberdeen

(e) A significant change to your itinerary, missing out one or more destination entirely
Cancellation:
We will not cancel your travel arrangements less than 89 days before your departure date, except for reasons of force majeure or failure by you to pay the final balance. We may cancel your holiday before this date if e.g. the minimum number of clients required for a particular travel arrangement is not reached.

If we have to make a significant change or cancel, we will tell you as soon as possible and, if there is time to do so before departure, we will offer you the choice of;

i. (for significant changes) accepting the changed arrangements; or

ii. Having a refund of all monies paid; or

iii. Accepting an offer of alternative travel arrangements of a comparable or higher standard from us, if available (at no extra cost), or;

iv. If available, accepting an offer of alternative arrangements of a lower standard, with a refund of the price difference between the original arrangements and the alternative arrangements.

You must notify us of your choice within 7 days of our offer. If we do not hear from you within 7 days, we will contact you again to request notification of your choice. If you fail to respond again, we will

assume that you have chosen to accept the change or alternative booking arrangements.

Compensation

In addition to a full refund of all monies paid by you, we will pay you compensation as detailed below, in the following circumstances;

a) If, where we make a significant change, you do not accept the changed arrangements and cancel your booking;

b) If we cancel your booking and no alternative arrangements are available

The compensation that we offer does not exclude you from claiming more if you are entitled to do so.

Period before departure in which we notify you	Compensation per person
Over 89 days	NIL
Between 29 and 88 days	£10
Between 15 and 28 days	£15
Between 8 and 14 days	£20
7 days or less	£25

*IMPORTANT NOTE; We will not pay you compensation in the following circumstances:
a) where we make an insignificant change

b) where we make a significant change or cancel your arrangements more than 89 days before departure

c) where we make a significant change and you accept those changed arrangements or you accept an offer of alternative travel arrangements;

d) where we have to cancel your arrangements as a result of your failure to make full payment on time;

e) where the change or cancellation by us arises out of alterations to the confirmed booking requested by you;

f) where we are forced to cancel or change your arrangements due to Force Majeure (see clause 12)

If we become unable to provide a significant proportion of the arrangements that you have booked with us after you have departed, we will, if possible, make alternative arrangements for you at no extra charge and where those alternative arrangements are of a lower standard, provide you with an appropriate price reduction.

12. Force Majeure

Except where otherwise expressly stated in these Booking Conditions, we regret we cannot accept liability or pay any compensation if our contractual obligations to you are affected by "Force Majeure" In these booking conditions, "force majeure" means any event beyond our or our supplier's control, the consequences of which could not have been avoided even if all reasonable measures has been taken. Such events may include actual or threatened war or terrorism, riot, civil strife, significant risks to human health such as the outbreak of serious disease at the travel destination or natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes or weather conditions which make it impossible to travel safely to the travel destination or remain at the travel destination, the act of any government or other national or local authority including port or river authorities, industrial dispute, labour strikes, lock closure, natural or nuclear disaster, fire, chemical or biological disaster, unavoidable technical problems with transport and all similar events outside our or the supplier(s) concerned's control.

13. Our responsibility to you

(1)We will accept responsibility for the arrangements we agree to provide or arrange for you as an "organiser" under the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018, as set out below and as such, we are responsible for the proper provision of the travel services specifically included in your package, as set out in your confirmation invoice and the information we provided to you regarding the services prior to booking. Please note that we shall not be responsible for any additional services provided to you, whether provided by the travel service providers or otherwise, which are not set out in your confirmation invoice and the information we provided to you regarding the services prior to booking.

(2) We will not be responsible or pay you compensation for any personal injury or death unless you are able to prove that it was caused by our negligence or the negligence of our suppliers.

(3) We will not be responsible or pay you compensation for any injury, illness, death, loss, damage, expense, cost or other claim of any description if it results from:

(a) the acts and/or omissions of the person affected; or

(b) the acts and/or omissions of a third party unconnected with the provision of the services contracted for and which were unforeseeable or unavoidable; or

(c) Force Majeure (as defined in clause 12).

(4) We limit the amount of compensation we may have to pay you if we are found liable under this clause:

(a) loss of and/or damage to any luggage or personal possessions and money: the maximum amount we will have to pay you in respect of these claims is an amount equivalent to the excess on your insurance policy which applies to this type of loss per person in total because you are required to have adequate insurance in place to cover any losses of this kind.

(b) Claims not falling under (a) above and which don't involve injury, illness or death: the maximum amount we will have to pay you in respect of these claims is up to three times the price paid by or on behalf of the person(s) affected in total. This maximum amount will only be payable where everything has gone wrong and you or your party has not received any benefit at all from your booking.

(c) Claims in respect of international travel by air, sea and rail, or any stay in a hotel:

i) The extent of our liability will in all cases be limited as if we were carriers under the appropriate Conventions, which include The Warsaw/Montreal Convention (international travel by air); The Athens Convention (with respect to sea travel); The Berne/Cotif Convention (with respect to rail travel) and The Paris Convention (with respect to hotel arrangements). You can ask for copies of these Conventions from our offices. Please contact us. In addition, you agree that the operating carrier or transport company's own 'Conditions of Carriage' will apply to you on that journey. When arranging transportation for you, we rely on the terms and conditions contained within these international conventions and those 'Conditions of Carriage'. You acknowledge that all of the terms and conditions contained in those 'Conditions of Carriage' form part of your contract with us, as well as with the transport company and that those 'Conditions of Carriage' shall be deemed to be included by reference into this contract.

ii) In any circumstances in which a carrier is liable to you by virtue of EC 261/2004 (denied boarding and flight disruption), any liability we may have to you under our contract with you, arising out of the same facts, is limited to the remedies provided under the Regulation as if (for this purpose only) we were a carrier.

iii) When making any payment, we are entitled to deduct any money which you have received or are entitled to receive from the transport provider or hotelier for the complaint or claim in question.

(5) Subject to these Booking Conditions, if we or our suppliers negligently perform or arrange those services set out in the confirmation invoice and the information we provided to you regarding the services prior to booking and we don't remedy or resolve your complaint within a reasonable period of time, and this has affected the enjoyment of your package holiday you may be entitled to an appropriate price reduction or compensation or both. You must inform us without undue delay of any failure to perform or improper performance of the travel services included in this package. The level of any such price reduction or compensation in respect of any claim for damages or compensation whatsoever will be calculated taking into consideration all relevant factors such as but not limited to: following the complaints procedure as described in these Booking Conditions and the extent to which ours or our employees' or suppliers' negligence affected the overall enjoyment of your holiday. Please note that it is your responsibility to show that we or our supplier(s) have been negligent if you wish to make a claim against us

(6) It is a condition of our acceptance of liability under this clause that you notify any claim to us and our supplier(s) strictly in accordance with the complaints procedure set out in these conditions.

(7) Where any payment is made, the person(s) receiving it (and their parent or guardian if under 18 years) must also assign to us or our insurers any rights they may have to pursue any third party and must provide ourselves and our insurers with all assistance we may reasonably require.

(8) Please note, we cannot accept any liability for any damage, loss or expense or other sum(s) of any description:

(a) which on the basis of the information given to us by you concerning your booking prior to our accepting it, we could not have foreseen you would suffer or incur if we breached our contract with you;

(b) relate to any business;

(c) indirect or consequential loss of any kind.

(9) We will not accept responsibility for services or facilities which do not form part of our agreement or where they are not advertised in our brochure. For example any excursion you book whilst away, or any service or facility which your hotel or any other supplier agrees to provide for you.

(10) Where it is impossible for you to return to your departure point as per the agreed return date of your package, due to "unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances", we shall provide you with any necessary accommodation (where possible, of a comparable standard) for a period not exceeding three nights per Please note that the 3 night cap does not apply to persons with reduced mobility, pregnant women or unaccompanied minors, nor to persons needing specific medical assistance, provided we have been notified of these particular needs at least 48 hours before the start of your holiday. For the purposes of this clause, "unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances" mean warfare, acts of terrorism, significant risks to human health such as the outbreak of serious disease at the travel destination or natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes or weather conditions which make it impossible to travel safely back to your departure point.

14. Arbitration

Disputes arising out of, or in connection with your booking which cannot be amicably settled may be referred to ABTA's approved Alternative Dispute Resolution process if you so wish under a special scheme arranged by ABTA Ltd and administered independently. The scheme provides for a simple and inexpensive method of arbitration on documents alone with restricted liability on the customer in respect of costs. Full details will be provided on request or can be obtained from the ABTA website (www.abta.com). The scheme does not apply to claims for an amount greater than £5,000 per person. There is also a limit of £25,000 per booking. Neither does it apply to claims, which are solely in respect of physical injury or illness or their consequences. The scheme can however deal with compensation claims, which include an element of minor injury, or illness subject to a limit of £1,500 on the amount the arbitrator can award per person in respect of this element. Your application for arbitration and other required documents must be received by ABTA within 18 months of your return from the holiday. Outside this time limit arbitration under the scheme may still be available if we agree, although the ABTA Code does not require such agreement. For injury and illness claims, you can request the ABTA mediation procedure and we have the option to agree to this. Where we act as agent, please bear in mind that your contract is with the supplier of the arrangements concerned. Unless the supplier is also a member of ABTA, only disputes relating to our actions as agent can be dealt with by the arbitration scheme or mediation procedure and not complaints about the arrangements themselves or the acts / omissions of the supplier.

15. Conditions of suppliers

Many of the services, which make up your holiday are provided by independent suppliers. Those suppliers provide these services in accordance with their own terms and conditions. Some of these terms and conditions may limit or exclude the supplier's liability to you, usually in accordance with applicable international conventions (see clause 13). Copies of the relevant parts of these terms and conditions and of the international conventions are available on request from ourselves or the supplier concerned.

16. Special requests and medical conditions / disabilities

If you have any special request, you must advise us at the time of booking. Although we will endeavour to pass any reasonable requests on to the relevant supplier, we regret we cannot guarantee any request will be met. Failure to meet any special request will not be a breach of contract on our part. Confirmation that a special request has been noted or passed on to the supplier or the inclusion of the special request on your confirmation invoice or any other documentation is not confirmation that the request will be met. Unless and until specifically confirmed, all special requests are subject to availability. For your own protection, you should obtain confirmation in writing that a special request will be complied (where it is possible to give this) where it is important to you.

We regret we cannot accept any conditional bookings, i.e. any booking which is specified to be conditional on the fulfilment of a particular request. All such bookings will be treated as "standard" bookings subject to the above provisions on special requests.

If you or any member of your party has any medical condition or disability which may affect your holiday or has any special requirements as a result of any medical condition or disability (including any which affect the booking process), please tell us before you confirm your booking so that we can assist you in considering the suitability of the arrangements and/or making the booking. In any event, you must give us full details in writing at the time of booking and whenever any change in the condition or disability occurs. You must also promptly advise us if any medical condition or disability which may affect your holiday develops after your booking has been confirmed. If we reasonably feel unable to properly accommodate the particular needs of the person concerned, we must reserve the right to decline their reservation or, if full details are not given at the time of booking or the condition / disability develops after booking, cancel when we become aware of these details and cancellation charges as set out in clause 6 may apply.

17. Excursions

We may provide you with information (before departure and/or when you are on holiday) about activities and excursions which are available in the area you are visiting. We have no involvement in any such activities or excursions which are neither run, supervised nor controlled in any way by us. They are provided by local operators or other third parties who are entirely independent of us. They do not form any part of your contract with us even where we suggest particular operators/other third parties and/or assist you in booking such activities or excursions in any way. We cannot accept any liability on any basis in relation to such activities or excursions and the acceptance of liability contained in clause 12(1) of our booking conditions will not apply to them. We do not however exclude liability for the negligence of ourselves or our employees resulting in your death or personal injury.
We cannot guarantee accuracy at all times of information given in relation to such activities or excursions or about the area you are visiting generally or that any particular excursion or activity which does not form part of our contract will take place as these services are not under our control. If you feel that any of the activities or excursions referred to in our brochure, on our website and in our other advertising material which are not part of our contract are vital to the enjoyment of your holiday, write to us immediately and we will tell you the latest known situation. If we become aware of any material alterations to area information and/or such outside activities or excursions which can reasonably be expected to affect your decision to book a holiday with us, we will pass on this information at the time of booking.

18. Insolvency Protection and ABTA membership

We provide financial security for flight-inclusive packages by way of an Air Travel Organiser's Licence issued by the Civil Aviation Authority, Gatwick Airport South, West Sussex, RH6 0YR, UK, telephone 0333 1036350 email: claims@caa.co.uk (ATOL number 5421) When you buy an ATOL protected flight or flight inclusive holiday from us, you will receive an ATOL Certificate. This lists what is financially protected, where you can get information on what this means for you and who to contact if things go wrong. For further information, visit the ATOL website at www.atol.org.uk. The price of our flight inclusive arrangements includes the amount of £2.50 per person as part of the ATOL Protection Contribution (APC) we pay to the CAA. This charge is included in our advertised prices. Not all holiday or travel services offered and sold by us will be protected by the ATOL scheme. ATOL protection extends primarily to customers who book and pay in the United Kingdom.

We, or the suppliers identified on your ATOL Certificate, will provide you with the services listed on the ATOL Certificate (or a suitable alternative). In some cases, where neither we nor the supplier are able to do so for reasons of insolvency, an alternative ATOL holder may provide you with services you have bought or a suitable alternative (at no extra cost to you). You agree to accept that in those circumstances the alternative ATOL holder will perform those obligations and you agree to pay any money outstanding to be paid by you under your contract to that alternative ATOL holder. However, you also agree that in some cases it will not be possible to appoint an alternative ATOL holder, in which case you will be entitled to make a claim under the ATOL scheme (or your credit card issuer where applicable). If we, or the suppliers identified on your ATOL certificate, are unable to provide the services listed (or a suitable alternative, through an alternative ATOL holder or otherwise) for reasons of insolvency, the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust may make a payment to (or confer a benefit on) you under the ATOL scheme. You agree that in return for such a payment or benefit, you assign absolutely to those Trustees any claims which you have or may have arising out of or relating to the non-provision of the services, including any claim against us, the travel agent or your credit card issuer where applicable. You also agree that any such claims may be re-assigned to another body, if that other body has paid sums you have claimed under the ATOL scheme. We provide full financial protection for our package holidays which don't include flights by way of a bond held by ABTA Ltd. We are a member of ABTA (ABTA number W3550) and, ABTA will financially protect your holiday by ensuring you receive a refund or, if your arrangements include return travel to the UK (other than flights) you are returned to the UK in the event that your holiday cannot be provided as a result of our insolvency. Please go to http://abta.com/go-travel for a copy of the guide to ABTA's scheme of Financial Protection.

ABTA and ABTA members help holidaymakers to get the most from their travel and assist them when things do not go according to plan. We are obliged to maintain a high standard of service to you by ABTA's Code of Conduct.

For further information about ABTA, the Code of Conduct and the arbitration scheme available to you if you have a complaint (see clause 7) contact ABTA at 30 Park Street, London, SE1 9EQ or see www.abta.com

19. Delays, Missed Transport Arrangements and other Travel Information

If you or any member of your party misses your flight or other transport arrangement, it is cancelled or you are subject to a delay of over 3 hours for any reason, you must contact us and the airline or other transport supplier concerned immediately. Under UK Law, you have rights in some circumstances to refunds and/or compensation from the airline in cases of denied boarding, cancellation or delay to flights. Full details of these rights will be publicised at UK airports and will also be available from airlines. If the airline does not comply with these rules you should complain to the Civil Aviation Authority at www.caa.co.uk/passengers. Reimbursement in such cases is the responsibility of the airline and will not automatically entitle you to a refund of your holiday price from us. If, for any reason, you do not claim against the airline and make a claim for compensation from us, you must, at the time of payment of any compensation to you, make a complete assignment to us of the rights you have against the airline in relation to the claim that gives rise to that compensation payment. A delay or cancellation to your flight does not automatically entitle you to cancel any other arrangements even where those arrangements have been made in conjunction with your flight.
We cannot accept liability for any delay which is due to any of the reasons set out in clause 10 of these Booking Conditions (which includes the behaviour of any passenger(s) on any flight who, for example, fails to check in or board on time).

The carrier(s), flight timings and types of aircraft shown in this brochure or on our website and detailed on your confirmation invoice are for guidance only and are subject to alteration and confirmation. We shall inform you of the identity of the actual carrier(s) as soon as we become aware of it. The latest flight timings will be shown on your tickets which will be despatched to you approximately two weeks before departure. You should check your tickets very carefully immediately on receipt to ensure you have the correct flight times. If flight times change after tickets have been dispatched we will contact you as soon as we can to let you know. Please note the existence of a "UK Air Safety list" (available for inspection at https://www.caa.co.uk/commercial-industry/airlines/licensing/requirements-and-guidance/third-country-operator-certificates/) detailing air carriers that are subject to an operating ban within the UK.

This website/brochure is our responsibility, as your tour operator. It is not issued on behalf of, and does not commit the airlines mentioned herein or any airline whose services are used in the course of your travel arrangements.

20. Prompt Assistance

If, whilst you are on holiday, you find yourself in difficulty for any reason, we will offer you such prompt assistance as is appropriate in the circumstances. In particular, we will provide you with appropriate information on health services, local authorities and consular assistance, and assistance with distance communications and finding alternative travel arrangements. Where you require assistance, which is not owing to any failure by us, our employees or sub-contractor, we will not be liable for the costs of any alternative travel arrangements or other such assistance you require. Any supplier, airline or other transport supplier may however pay for or provide refreshments and/or appropriate accommodation and you should make a claim directly to them. Subject to the other terms of these Booking Conditions, we will not be liable for any costs, fees or charges you incur in the above circumstances, if you fail to obtain our prior authorisation before making your own travel arrangements. Furthermore, we reserve the right to charge you a fee for our assistance in the event that the difficulty is caused intentionally by you or a member of your party, or otherwise through your or your party's negligence.

21. Brochure / website / advertising material accuracy

The information contained in our brochure, on our website and in our other advertising material is believed correct to the best of our knowledge at the time of printing or publication. However, errors may occasionally occur and information may subsequently change. You must therefore ensure you check all details of your chosen holiday (including the price) with us or your travel agent at the time of booking.

22. Safety Standards

Please note, it is the requirements and standards of the country in which any services, which make up your holiday are provided which apply to those services and not those of the UK. As a general rule, these requirements and standards will not be the same as the UK and may often be lower.

23. Advance Passenger Information

A number of Governments are introducing new requirements for air carriers to provide personal information about all travellers on their aircraft to the Authorities before the aircraft leaves the UK. The data will be collected either at the airport when you check in or in some circumstances when, or after you make your booking. Accordingly, you are advised to allow extra time to check in for your flight. Where we collect this data, we will treat it in accordance with our privacy policy.

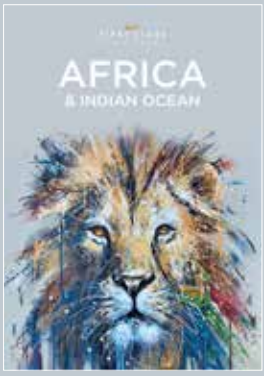
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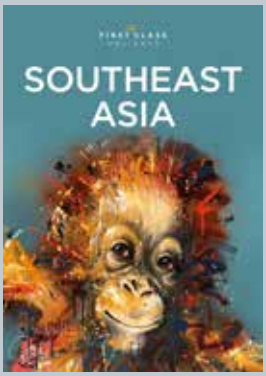




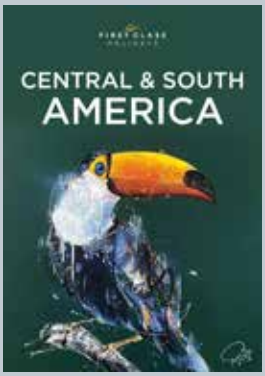












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