



Spectacular South Africa

April 25 — May 08, 2024 • 14 Days • 25 Meals





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Experience a harmony of intriguing cultures, stunning wildlife, lush winelands, and elaborate history. Ponder the past during a visit to the Apartheid Museum. Seek out the "Big Five" on two open-air safari game drives. Travel the lush Garden Route between the mountains and the balmy Indian Ocean. Visit the Featherbed Nature Reserve for a cruise in the lagoon. Indulge in the beauty and flavors of South Africa's wine region with included tastings and time on your own in stunning Stellenbosch. Relax during a leisurely stay in the breathtaking city of Cape Town. A land on the edge of the world, South Africa awaits.

Highlights And Inclusions

Your Tour Includes

- 5 Handpicked Accommodations
- 25 Meals
- · 2 Choice on Tour Options

Must-See Inclusions:

- · Search for the "Big 5" on two open-air safari game drives.
- · Marvel at the breathtaking Drakensberg Mountains.
- Tour the historically relevant Soweto area South West Township.

Cultural Experiences:

- Experience a thrilling cable car ride rising more than 3,000 feet.
- · Taste the incredible wines that Stellenbosch is acclaimed for.
- · Learn the local beat with a lesson on the djembe drums.

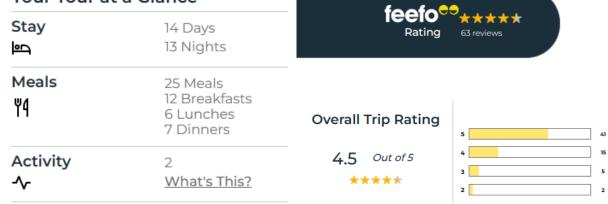
Culinary Inclusions:

- Join locals for lunch at a nearby Shebeen, or house tavern.
- Experience an African Boma dinner in Kruger.
- · Enjoy lunch amongst the ancient milkwood trees in Knysna.

Highlights

- · Johannesburg
- Soweto
- Panoramic Route
- Kruger National Park
- · Safari Game Drives
- Garden Route
- Knysna
- · Featherbed Nature Reserve
- · Choice on Tour
- Stellenbosch
- Wine Tasting & Dinner
- · Cape Town
- Table Mountain

Your Tour at a Glance



Activity Level



Activity Level 2

You like a balanced approach to travel. Walking two to three miles over the course of a day is no problem for you. You can partake in a two-hour leisurely walking tour, covering up to two miles (with included breaks). You can handle a variety of terrains, from cobblestone streets to moderate hills with relative ease and without assistance. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease. There may be 1 to 2 days on this tour when walking tours can cover 3 to 4 miles over uneven terrain. You can handle altitudes up to 6,000 feet.





Day 1: Overnight Flight



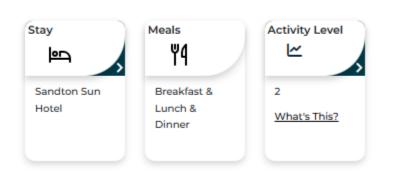
One country with a world of treasures, South Africa awaits your arrival. Breathtaking mountain scenery, winding coastlines, remarkable cultural diversity and abundant wildlife in its natural habitat comprise this incredible experience.

Day 2: Sandton, South Africa - Tour Begins



Your journey begins in Sandton, a city established in 1969. Famous for its rich veins of gold and other valuable minerals, it is now the bustling cosmopolitan center of greater Johannesburg.

Day 3: Sandton - Soweto - Sandton



Today, have some time to ponder history at Liliesleaf, the former center of the liberation movement and the site of the police raid that led to Nelson Mandela's lifetime prison sentence. Following this, a guided tour of Soweto – Southwest Township – showcases luxurious mansions and informal settlements as you learn about the historical significance of the area. Experience the regional lifestyle when joining locals for lunch at a nearby Shebeen, or house tavern. This afternoon, visit the Apartheid Museum commemorating the rise and fall of apartheid in South Africa. Gather this evening with your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner.

Day 4: Sandton - Panoramic Route - Kruger National Park



Travel through the spectacular Northern Drakensberg Mountain Range en route to Kruger National Park, the largest game reserve in South Africa. Scenic wonders surround you as you pass through the Blyde River Canyon, made mostly of red sandstone, and known as one of Africa's greatest natural wonders. Along this magnificent route, stop at God's Window and stand at what seems like the edge of creation. On clear days, you can see as far as Mozambique. This evening, enjoy a traditional Boma dinner where you may sample some local game meat!

Day 5: Kruger National Park - Safari Game Drive



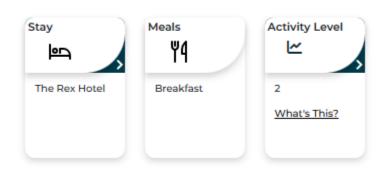
Have your camera ready for an unforgettable day of adventure and excitement! Enjoy a full day open-air-vehicle safari game drive. A local expert leads you in search of the "Big 5" – elephant, buffalo, lion, leopard and rhino – and provides insight into these fascinating animals along the way. Watch carefully – you may also see a graceful impala, dazzling zebra or gorgeous giraffe. Relax with a South African braai lunch in the natural beauty of Kruger National Park.

Day 6: Kruger National Park - Safari Game Drive



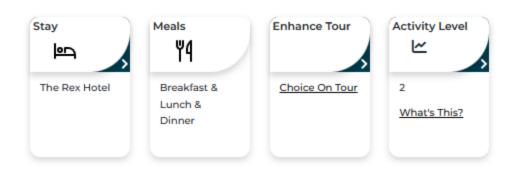
Embrace the rare opportunity to head back into the wild on another full day safari game drive in Kruger National Park. Enjoy this second attempt to see any elusive animals you may have missed yesterday or get another look at your favorites.

Day 7: Kruger National Park - Johannesburg - George - Knysna



Travel back to Johannesburg to board your flight to George. Upon arrival, travel to the resort town of Knysna in the heart of the Garden Route. Located on the coast, Knysna is your gateway to the natural beauty of South Africa.

Day 8: Knysna



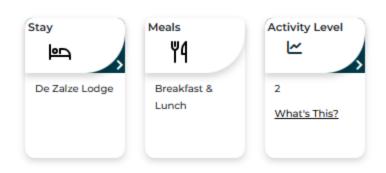
Today visit the nearby Featherbed Nature Reserve, looking out over the Indian Ocean. Begin with a lagoon cruise out to the famous Knysna Heads, which mark the entrance to the lagoon. Next, board a 4x4 vehicle and travel deep into the forest. Discover the local flora and fauna during a leisurely-paced nature walk. Enjoy lunch amongst the ancient milkwood trees – so called because of their white latex sap – before your return cruise. This afternoon, it's your choice! Visit Plettenberg Bay, a tranquil and charming town originally known as "Bahia Formosa" (Beautiful Bay) and witness views of beaches, dramatic rock formations and lagoons -OR- enjoy your afternoon at leisure in Knysna with time to independently explore the charming waterfront.

Day 9: Knysna - Stellenbosch



Say goodbye to Knysna as you begin your journey to Stellenbosch. Get a taste of the culture when you join your fellow travelers for dinner and a wine tasting.

Day 10: Stellenbosch - Franschhoek - Stellenbosch



Start your day with a walking tour of Stellenbosch, a university town known for its vineyards and mountainous nature reserves. Get a chance to taste some wine before continuing to nearby Franschhoek. Experience the town's renowned wine culture with a cellar tour and tasting followed by lunch before returning to Stellenbosch. With the remainder of your day at leisure, discover the town on your own. Maybe you'll taste some more of the legendary wine, wander along the oak-lined avenues, or explore the surrounding nature.

Day 11: Stellenbosch - Cape Town



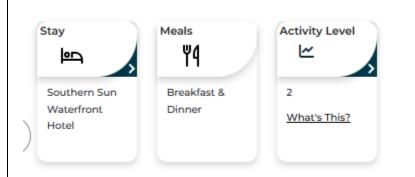
Travel to the beautiful harbor side city of Cape Town, the oldest city in South Africa. Enjoy a traditional Cape Malay lunch in the colorful Bo-Kaap neighborhood. Settle in for your 3-night stay in the "Mother City," nestled in the valley between towering mountains and the glistening sea.

Day 12: Cape Town



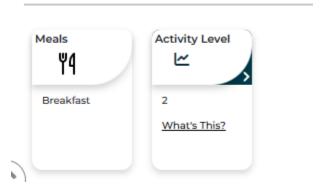
See the highlights of the city on a panoramic tour. Take in the celebrated architecture that fuses the traditions of the French, German and Dutch. Enjoy a thrilling ride on a cable car that whisks you to an altitude of more than 3,000 feet, landing atop the aptly named – and flat-topped – Table Mountain. * The views of Cape Town, Robben Island and Lion's Head will leave you breathless. Return to the city via Table Bay, passing through the Malay Quarter with its mosques and minarets. Make a special stop at the massive Milnerton Lighthouse. Enjoy the rest of the day on your own exploring Cape Town from your strategically located hotel.

Day 13: Cape Town



Explore the coastal scenery and charming towns that populate the Cape Peninsula. Travel out to Cape Point, stopping for a visit with the penguins at Boulders Beach. This evening, experience a unique farewell to Africa as you enjoy a lesson on the djembe drums before a communal African dining experience with dishes from all over the continent!

Day 14: Cape Town - Tour Ends



Your tour ends today in Cape Town. For travelers with late flight departures, enjoy the use of a day room prior to your departure to the airport.





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Attraction-Plettenburg Bay



Attraction-Leisure Time



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Arrive Earlier

Pre Night: Sandton Sun Hotel From \$80 per night



Sandton Sun Hotel Nights 1-2



Kruger Gate Hotel Nights 3-5



The Rex Hotel Nights 6-7

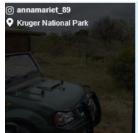


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Southern Sun Waterfront Hotel

Nights 10-12

























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