



Highlights of South Africa and Swaziland with Safari **10 Days / 9 Nights October 14 - October 23, 2018**

Agent Prices Start at Only \$2,099*

**Rate based on double occupancy. Up to three non-agent companions are allowed at same rate agent.*

Single supplement, add \$399

Tour Cost Includes:

9 nights of room accommodation based on double occupancy (see itinerary)
21 meals (9 Breakfasts, 6 Lunches, 5 Dinners)
All entrances and excursions as per the program
An English-speaking South African Tourism Board registered guide
Porterage at airports and hotels
Restaurant tips
Luxury Coach with air conditioning
14% VAT and 1% tourism levy on accommodation

Accommodations

(Examples are provided below as a guide. Exact hotel reservations are not made until group size is determined and tour group deposits are made. This list will be updated as exact accommodations are finalized)

- 4 nights in Cape Town at AHA Inn on the Square Hotel or similar
- 1 night in Hluhluwe at Zulu Nyala Heritage Safari Lodge or similar
- 1 night in Mbabane at Mountain Inn Hotel or similar
- 2 nights in Kruger National Park at Manyatta Rock Camp or similar
- 1 night in Graskop at Graskop Hotel or similar

Tour Highlights

- Visit of Table Mountain
- Cable Car up to Table Mountain in Cape Town
- City Tour of Cape Town
- Visit to the South African Museum and the Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens
- Day Excursion to the Cape Peninsula
- Boat cruise from Houtbay Harbor to Seal Island
- Visit to the Victoria and Alfred Waterfront
- Day visit of the Cape Winelands
- Visit a world famous wine region on Stellenbosch Wine Route
- Visit Franschhoek
- Visit the Huguenot Museum and memorial
- City Tour of Durban
- Experience Zulu dancers
- Visit a Swazi Cultural Village to learn about the Swazi people and traditions
- Visit the Swazi Market
- Visit the Ngwenya Glass factory
- Morning game drive in 4x4 vehicle in Kruger National Park
- Overnight at a Private Game Reserve (including lunch, dinner & 2 game drive activities on the game reserve - increasing one's chances of seeing the BIG 5)
- Visit a Ndebele village. See the unique way they decorate their homes
- Visit Nelson Mandela House
- Visit the Hector Petersen Memorial & Museum
- Visit of Soweto, and enjoy lunch in a local 'shebeen'

Visa Notes:

No visa is required for US Citizens visiting South Africa (for a stay of up to 90 days)

No visa is required for US Citizens visiting Swaziland (for a stay of up to 30 days)

***Prices are per person and based on double occupancy. Price is for LAND ONLY; no
airfare is included. All prices are expressed in US dollars. Prices for vacation
packages are subject to change without notice. All travel documents are the
responsibility of the passenger. A valid passport with at least 6 months validity
after the date of travel is required. Travel insurance is highly recommended. Quotes
available on request.**

Itinerary Details

Sunday, October 14, 2018: Welcome to Cape Town!

Evening arrival and transfer to your hotel.

Overnight in Cape Town.

Monday, October 15, 2018: Cape Town and Table Mountain

Following breakfast, you will begin a city tour to Cape Town. The city was originally established as a refreshment station in 1652 for the trade between Europe and the Far East. This morning you will be taken on orientation tour of the city center, which will include a drive by the Houses of Parliament, The Castle (oldest building in South Africa), the old Malay Quarter (known as the Bo-Kaap), will take a walk through the Company Gardens, and visit the South African Museum.

Lunch will be at leisure and in the afternoon the group will ascend Table Mountain by cable car. (Visit is weather dependent; should excursion not be possible, it will be moved to the following day, or the day when weather permits).

Afterwards, enjoy some time at leisure.

Return to hotel for overnight in Cape Town.

Meals: Breakfast

Tuesday October 16, 2018: Cape Town & Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve

After breakfast, you will depart your hotel and enjoy a full day tour of the Cape Peninsula, starting with a boat cruise from Hout Bay to view the seals at Seal Island.

Continue via the scenic Chapmans Peak pass to the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve. Visit the most south westerly tip of Africa.

Continue towards the False Bay coastline to the Simon's Town and enjoy lunch on your own. You will visit the breeding colony of Jackass Penguins and return to the hotel after a visit to Kirstenbosch National Botanical Gardens in the afternoon.

In the late afternoon, you will return to hotel to enjoy on your own time some shopping.

Coach and guide available for a dinner transfer; continue to the Victoria and Alfred Waterfront, situated in Cape Town's working harbour, where there are a myriad of restaurants, hotels, shops, and craft markets. Fresh sea breezes and the warm sun add zest to a cosmopolitan, vibrant atmosphere.

Experience the city's nightlife at your own pace.

Overnight in Cape Town.

Meals: Breakfast

Wednesday October 17, 2018: Cape Winelands

After breakfast, depart for a day visit of the Cape Winelands.

Continue to Stellenbosch, the Stellenbosch Wine Route was the first wine route to have been developed 40 years ago. The town is currently surrounded by +/- 100,000 hectares of vineyards. The wines of the Cape have a worldwide reputation for quality. It is in this region where you will see various examples of « Cape Dutch » architecture and about 60 of these houses have been declared national monuments. Enjoy a visit to a wine estate as well as a tasting of the locally produced wines. Stellenbosch is also a well-known University Town.

Visit a boutique or larger winery and enjoy 1 wine tasting.

Continue over the scenic Helshoogte Pass to Franschhoek, situated in the “Valley of the Vignerons” and settled by the French Huguenots in the 16th Century. Driving time from Stellenbosch about 20 mins

Enjoy lunch at one of the many gourmet restaurants which line the main street of the town (lunch not included). Visit the Huguenot Museum and return to the hotel in the late afternoon. Return to hotel for overnight and dinner at your leisure.

Overnight Holiday Inn or similar.

Meals: Breakfast

Thursday October 18, 2018: Cape Town - Durban - Hluhluwe Region

Transfer to Cape Town Airport for your flight to Durban.

Flight to Durban: Proposed flight - Departure: 6:30am / Arrival: 8:35am

Not Included in price of tour

Arrive at King Shaka International Airport in Durban. Durban has about 1 million inhabitants, and has the biggest harbor in South Africa. The majority of the population is of Indian origin, hence the number of temples and mosques, as well as shops specializing in Indian products.

Enjoy a Durban city center tour, you will visit the Indian Market (closed on Sundays) as well as the Golden Mile which is situated along Durban's beachfront. Lunch en route.

Continue north towards Maputaland, passing by sugar cane fields, eucalyptus and pine plantations.

The Zulu tribe settled in this region at the beginning of the 17th century. They planted grain which they was brought to them by Portuguese traders and hunted the local wild animal population. Elephants were very common in this region and were sought after for their ivory.

Enjoy a BBQ dinner under the African Sky and enjoy a performance by Zulu Dancers (if weather permits).

Overnight in Hluhluwe.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Friday October 19, 2018: Hluhluwe Region – Swaziland

Enjoy an early morning game drive in an open 4 x 4 vehicle with a professional ranger in Zulu Nyala's private game reserve.

Breakfast at hotel.

Continue by road, entering the King of Swaziland, an independent country, ruled by H.M. KING MSWATI III, crowned in April 1986.

SWAZILAND has maintained its cultural traditions and although English is widely spoken, the dominant language is SISWATI.

Many of its local inhabitants still consult with an " INYANGA ", a witch doctor, to ward away evil spirits, or with a " SANGOMA", who is mostly consulted for health reasons. Stop en route and visit the popular Candle Factory, known throughout Swaziland, for its variety of candles, in all shapes, sizes and colors.

Lunch.

Continue to Mbabene, capital of Swaziland, and visit the Swazi Market, with its locally produced products, time-permitting.

Overnight: Mountain Inn or similar

Dinner at the hotel

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Saturday, October 20, 2018: Swaziland - Kruger National Park

Begin your morning with breakfast at your hotel.

Enjoy a tour of a local Swazi village. You will learn about the Swazi customs, visit a typical hut, and experience a dancing performance which will have you tapping your feet.

Travel through an Pigg's Peak which was named after William Pigg, a prospector who found gold at this location. Mining took place from 1889 – 1954 but currently only timber is being produced for use in the construction industry.

Visit the Ngwenya Glass Factory, known for its beautiful glass ornaments, glasses, and souvenirs (time permitting/factory is closed Saturdays & Sundays, but the souvenir shop is open)

You will return to South Africa at the Jeep Reef border post.

Enjoy lunch.

Continue to Numbi Gate

Overnight in Kruger National Park.

Sunday, October 21, 2016 : Kruger National Park

Early Breakfast. Depart Nkambeni Safari Camp after breakfast, enter the Kruger National Park at the Numbi Gate; transfer onto open vehicle 4 x 4 safari vehicles and enjoy a game drive with a professional ranger.

This reserve was created by former President Paul Kruger in 1898 as a sanctuary for animals, which currently comprise about 450 different birds, 106 different types of mammals, ie elephant, rhino, giraffe, zebra, hippo's, kudu, impala, and lion. The park is about 220 miles long and 37 miles wide, but there is every chance of seeing the Big 5, ie Lion, leopard, buffalo, rhino and elephant.

A lunch stop will be made at one of the picnic spots in the park.

After lunch, the coach will meet with the group, and then travel onwards through the Kruger Park, exiting at Orpen Gate for the overnight stay at the Timbavati Safari Lodge where the group will enjoy dinner.

Check in at the Timbavati Safari Lodge or similar. Enjoy dinner in the form of a barbeque around an open fire.

Overnight at the Nkambeni Safari Camp or similar

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Monday October 22, 2018: Blyde River Canion - Panorama Route - Pilgrim's Rest

Begin your morning with breakfast at your hotel. Depart and enjoy the view of the Drakensberg mountains in the distance. If weather permits, you will stop at God's Window just outside Graskop for a panoramic view across the valley, on a clear day one can see as far as the Mozambique border.

Continue towards Bourke's Luck Potholes where paths and footbridges take visitors to view the 900 meter deep holes of cylindrical forms formed by fluvial erosion and floods. You will see the Blyde River Canyon with its spectacular gorge and the 3 Rondavels which are rocky massifs which look like traditional Zulu huts.

Lunch buffet style will be served at the Blydepoort Restaurant or similar.

Continue to Pilgrim's Rest. This small village has been renovated in the style of the gold rush around 1870 when pioneers tried to find their fortunes in gold. Before departing the area, attend a demonstration as to how gold was panned for in the old days and then have a look around the various shops and crafts on display in Pilgrim's Rest

Dinner at the hotel

Overnight in Pilgrims Rest.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Tuesday, October 23, 2018: Pilgrim's Rest - SOWETO - Johannesburg – Home/or Victoria Falls Extension

After breakfast, you will check-out and depart by coach for Soweto. Soweto is a city developed as a township for black people under the apartheid system. Soweto is inhabited by over two million people, with homes ranging from extravagant mansions to makeshift shacks. It boasts one of the largest hospitals on the continent and the only African-owned private clinic. Soweto was created in the 1930s with Orlando being the first township which was established.

Enjoy lunch at a local shebeen.

Visit the Nelson Mandela House and the Hector Petersen Memorial & Museum. The Hector Petersen Memorial & Museum commemorates the role of the country's students in the struggle against apartheid. The two commemorative sites are just a few blocks from where 12-year-old Hector Pieterse was shot in 1976. You will go on a Soweto orientation tour.

Continue the journey to Johannesburg's OR Tambo Airport, arriving on time for the international flight home.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

End of Tour

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All tours and entrance fees are included.

All taxes are included and **NO HIDDEN FEES**

Airfare is not included, but may be booked through Tours 4 The World at very competitive rates.