

# ***SOUTH AFRICA & VIC FALLS SAFARI 2022***



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## South Africa with Victoria Falls & Flights

Duration: 14 days

Departs: Wednesdays & Fridays in 2022

Stay: 12 nights accommodation

Travel style: Escorted tour

Booking code: SAVFG14M

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# 14 Days South Africa Safari with Vic Falls

## About the holiday

This South Africa tour is packed with inclusions and is the ideal blend of cultural experiences, natural wonders and amazing wildlife viewing!

Fly to Cape Town, where you begin with city sightseeing and tours of Table Mountain tour and the Cape Peninsula. After a quick flight to Durban, swap the city for an extraordinary cruise on St Lucia Estuary, home to Nile crocodiles, hippopotami, sea turtles and even sharks. There's more amazing wildlife viewing with game drives in Hluhluwe-Imfolozi Game Reserve and famous Kruger National Park.

After driving the spectacular Panorama Route to Johannesburg and taking a tour of Soweto, it's time to fly to Victoria Falls and witness the magnificent World Heritage-listed waterfalls!

## Why you'll love this trip...

See the best of South Africa on value-packed two-week tour. Loads of inclusions, with many meals, sightseeing and wildlife viewing opportunities. Enjoy comfortable accommodation, with the majority of stays of 2 nights or more. Expert local guides will look after you and proudly share their Africa with you!

## Travel dates

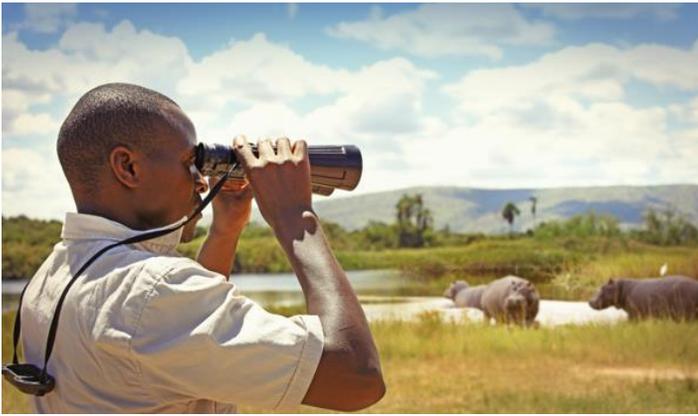
2022 - departs select Wednesdays & Fridays from Australia\*

\*Dates are subject to confirmation at time of booking. Price may vary depending on your travel date.

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## Holiday Inclusions

### Escorted Package Includes:

- International Flights - Return economy airfares from selected Australian capital cities to Cape Town & Johannesburg
- Flying Qantas or South African Airways
- Airline taxes & fuel surcharges
- All intra-flights: Cape Town-Durban, Johannesburg-Victoria Falls & Victoria Falls-Johannesburg
- 12 nights accommodations
  - 4 nights Cape Town
  - 1 night Hluhluwe
  - 1 night eSwatini
  - 2 nights Hazyview
  - 2 nights Johannesburg
  - 2 nights Victoria Falls
- Hotel taxes, fees & service charges
- Hotel portorage
- All transfers included only with airfare purchase on package arrival & departure date†
- 20 meals: 12 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 5 dinners
- Sightseeing per itinerary in modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Game drives in modern 10-seater safari vehicles
- Services of English-speaking tour manager throughout
- Entrance fees per itinerary

†Transfers are available for purchase for land only or on alternative flight dates.

***Subject to confirmation by tour company & local operators.  
Cancellation fees & booking conditions apply.***

## Special Features

- Experience Cape Town, during the city tour pass by Castle of Good Hope, the Grande Parade and visit Table Mountain
- In the course of the Cape Peninsula tour, visit the Cape of Good Hope reserve and view the penguin colonies at Boulders Beach
- Game viewing cruise on the St Lucia Estuary, a uniquely diverse ecosystem
- Game drive through Hluhluwe-Imfolozi Game Reserve
- A thrilling game drive on an open-vehicle through Kruger National Park
- In Soweto, the most metropolitan township, visit Nelson Mandela's former home
- Visit spectacular Victoria Falls, a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Enjoy a sunset cruise on the mighty Zambezi River

## Package excludes:

Visa fees (where applicable)

Meals & sightseeing not specified in the inclusions or itinerary

Optional tours & activities

Personal items, such as drinks, snacks, laundry etc.

Gratuities for tour manager, guides & drivers

Travel insurance is essential

Prices are based on twin share, please contact us for single rates

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## Itinerary:

### **DAY 1, Wednesday - Depart for South Africa**

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### **DAY 2, Thursday - Arrive in Cape Town**

Arrive in Cape Town, undeniably one of the most beautiful cities in the world. As you transfer to your hotel, you'll see the towering symbol of the city - Table Mountain. The rest of the day is at leisure in this magnificent seaside city

**Overnight:** Cape Town

### **DAY 3, Friday - Cape Town City Tour**

After a leisurely breakfast depart on a half day Cape Town city and Table Mountain tour. Driving to the city centre, pass famous landmarks such as the Castle of Good Hope built in 1666 by the Dutch East India Company and City Hall, a splendid baroque building, and of course the Grand Parade. See St. George's Cathedral, the Anglican Diocese of Nobel Peace Laureate Archbishop Desmond Tutu. Pass the Company

Gardens and the Malay Quarter. The route then leads to Kloof Nek and the magnificent Table Mountain. Ascend to the top (weather permitting) by means of a cable car\*. At the summit, see wildflowers, the famous silver tree, and marvel at a birds-eye view of the city and its beaches. On a clear day, it is even possible to see Robben Island, where Nelson Mandela was imprisoned, on one side, and Cape Point on the other. Descend from the upper cableway station and proceed to the Milnerton Lighthouse. Later, you will have the opportunity to learn the three-billion-year-old story of diamonds while touring the prominent Shimansky Jewelers & Museum at Cape Town's famous V & A Waterfront. The 45-minute tour reveals the origins of diamond mining and includes explanations of colour, cut and clarity. Following the tour (or for those who do not wish to participate) stroll through the adjacent V & A Shopping Mall with its endless shopping and dining opportunities before returning to your hotel. This evening enjoy a Welcome Dinner with your Tour Manager and fellow travellers

*\*Table Mountain Aerial Cableway closes for annual maintenance in July & August. Exact dates will be advised in early 2020.*

**Overnight:** Cape Town

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

#### **DAY 4, Saturday - Cape Peninsula Tour**

Depart on a full day Cape Peninsula Tour with lunch along the way. Drive to Cape Point at the southwestern tip of the Cape Peninsula, passing steep mountains, secluded coves, and sweeping beaches en route. After a stop at the fishing village of Hout Bay, one of Cape Town's best-kept secrets, continue to the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve, comprising over 17,300 acres of indigenous flora and fauna, where you may see baboons by the roadside, rheboks, cape mountain zebras, bonteboks and the elusive eland. The native plant life, known as fynbos, forms one of only six floral kingdoms in the world. Following the coastline along False Bay, return to Cape Town after lunch by way of Simon's Town. Here, visit the penguin colonies at Boulders Beach, and continue with a scenic drive over Muizenberg Mountain. Lastly, visit the Kirstenbosch National Botanical Gardens, resting at the foot of Table Mountain, for a short walking tour of the beautiful gardens before arriving to Cape Town. Tonight, experience local culture in a relaxed and comfortable environment at the *optional* Home Hosted Dinner

**Optional:** Home Hosted Dinner in Cape Town

**Overnight:** Cape Town

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

#### **DAY 5, Sunday - Full Day in Cape Town**

Enjoy the day at leisure in Cape Town. Perhaps join the *optional* South African Wine Tour\* which takes you along the country's principal wine route to the scenic towns of Paarl, Franschhoek and Stellenbosch with tastings along the way. Alternatively, thrill seekers will not want to miss the *optional* excursion to "Shark Alley" to experience great white shark cage diving.

\* Tonight, attend the *optional* Daily Music Show to learn about the Cape's cultural heritage through music and storytelling. After the show, meet with the artists and enjoy a dinner of traditional Cape cuisine before returning to the hotel

*\*The South African Wine Tour and Full Day Great White Shark Cage Diving operate simultaneously. Passengers may opt to participate in only one of these tours*

**Optional:** South African Wine Tour\*

**Optional:** Full Day Great White Shark Cage Diving\*

**Optional:** The Daily Music Show with dinner

**Overnight:** Cape Town

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **DAY 6, Monday - Flight to Durban, Game Viewing Cruise on the St. Lucia Estuary**

This morning transfer to the airport for your flight to Durban. Upon arrival in the early afternoon, drive to St. Lucia. Later, embark on a game viewing cruise that takes you on the St. Lucia Estuary. This tidal estuary is home to Nile crocodiles, hippopotami, sea turtles, and even sharks, making it a fascinating and uniquely diverse ecosystem. This evening, enjoy dinner at the hotel

**Overnight:** Hluhluwe

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

### **DAY 7, Tuesday - Game Drive in Hluhluwe-Imfolozi Game Reserve, Travel to eSwatini**

After an early breakfast, travel to the Hluhluwe-Imfolozi Game Reserve, situated in northern KwaZulu-Natal, which contains an immense diversity of fauna and flora and is particularly famous for its conservation of black and white rhinos. Home to Africa's "Big Five," you may have a chance to see elephant, Cape buffalo, lion, and leopard, in addition to rhino during your morning game drive through the reserve. The park also boasts warthog, crocodile, and antelope. Following the safari, visit a local school if time allows. Continue to the border of the Kingdom of eSwatini\*. This independent kingdom within the borders of South Africa is known for its lovely scenery and vibrant indigenous culture. Stop at a handicraft market this afternoon before arriving at your hotel in the early evening

*\*Please note: eSwatini is an independent country from South Africa and therefore has different entry requirements. Non-US passport holders are responsible for checking if a visa is required for eSwatini in addition to all other countries on their itinerary*

**Overnight:** eSwatini

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **DAY 8, Wednesday - eSwatini Sightseeing and Matsamo Village Visit**

After breakfast visit the Ngwenya glass factory, where visitors can watch talented glass blowers create a range of enchanting African animals, birds, and fish, as well as tableware, made from recycled glass that is collected by the children of eSwatini.

Transfer to the South African border and visit Matsamo Cultural Village where you can learn more about the Swati traditions and customs. Enjoy traditional dance and song performances with authentic African instruments as well as traditional Swati cuisine. You may wander through the village with its many traditional huts and interact with the locals. Later, continue to the hotel in time for dinner

**Overnight:** Hazyview

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### **DAY 9, Thursday - Kruger National Park Game Drive**

The day begins at dawn with coffee, tea, and rusks, a South African dry biscuit. Upon departure from the hotel, a pre-packed breakfast will be provided for you. Then, on to Kruger National Park for a thrilling full day open-vehicle game drive. Larger than the state of Connecticut, the park offers some of the best game and wildlife viewing opportunities in the world, and early morning is an optimal time of day. You may have a chance to see lion, elephant, giraffe, or zebra in their natural habitat. After stopping at a rest camp for lunch, continue your game drive. With any luck, you may even see cheetah and leopard. After the day's excitement, relax by the pool and enjoy dinner at the hotel

**Overnight:** Hazyview

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### **DAY 10, Friday - Panorama Route to Johannesburg**

Depart after breakfast and travel to Mpumalanga Province, known as "Paradise Country," driving the spectacular "Panorama Route." Stop to admire the views of amazing scenery along the 16-mile-long Blyde River Canyon, cut deep into red sandstone, and God's Window (weather permitting), a breathtaking, Edenic vista at the edge of the escarpment overlooking Kruger National Park. Visit Bourke's Luck Potholes, a series of waterfalls and distinctive rock formations created by countless millennia of water erosion before proceeding this afternoon to Johannesburg. Stop at a family-run curio shop before arriving at the hotel

**Overnight:** Johannesburg

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **DAY 11, Saturday - Soweto Tour**

After an early breakfast depart on a half day tour of Soweto. Experience a fascinating glimpse of the bustling neighbourhood life of Soweto, the most metropolitan township in the country, setting trends in politics, fashion, music, dance, and language. Drive by the former residence of Bishop Desmond Tutu and visit Nelson Mandela's former home. Continue to the Apartheid Museum, where you will journey through the racial segregation experienced by millions of South Africans. This evening enjoy a dinner with your Tour Manager and fellow travellers

**Overnight:** Johannesburg

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

### **DAY 12, Sunday - Fly to Victoria Falls\* & Sundowner Cruise**

Transfer to the airport for your morning flight to picturesque and thundering Victoria Falls, named a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The Falls are a little over a mile wide and 351 feet high, making them one-and-a half times as wide and twice as high as the Niagara Falls. Here, you can still encounter herds of buffalo and elephant on their way to the Zambezi River. Transfer to your hotel in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe. In the late afternoon, enjoy a sublime sundowner cruise on the broad sweep of the mighty Zambezi River. Afterward, return to the hotel. Tonight, attend the *optional* Boma Dinner & Drum Show, an unforgettable dinner experience featuring dance performances, lively songs, and an interactive drumming show

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**Meals:** Breakfast

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**Optional:** The Boma Dinner & Drum Show

**Overnight:** Victoria Falls

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **DAY 13, Monday - Guided Tour of Victoria Falls**

This morning, take a guided tour of the Victoria Falls, one of the "Seven Natural Wonders of the World". The walking safari takes you through the magnificent rainforest to view the Cataracts, Livingstone's statue and a wide variety of birds and plants. The rest of the day is yours to discover this beautiful area independently, or consider joining the *optional* guided Market Shopping Tour to discover Zimbabwe's culture, artwork and handicrafts. Visit open-air markets and a variety of galleries and shops selling intricate wood carvings, stone sculptures, beaded jewelry and authentic African art

**Optional:** Market Shopping Tour

**Overnight:** Victoria Falls

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **DAY 14, Tuesday - Depart South Africa**

Enjoy a leisurely morning, or awake early for the *optional* Victoria Falls Sunrise Walk through the luscious rainforest with your guide. Marvel at the spectacular Victoria

Falls as the sun rises over the Zambezi River. After breakfast, transfer to the airport\*. Fly to Johannesburg and connect to your international departure flight this evening. Please select flights that depart no earlier than 7:30 PM

**Optional:** Victoria Falls Sunrise Walk

**Meals:** Breakfast

*Note: The day by day descriptions published are intended as a rough guideline only. Travel by nature is unpredictable, weather patterns, game migrations, road conditions, public holidays, travel restrictions and a multitude of other factors may necessitate itinerary changes that ultimately are for the client's benefit. It is essential that clients are flexible and open minded in this regard.*

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