

KRUGER WILDLIFE SAFARI



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5-Day Kruger South Africa Wildlife Safari

Duration: 5 days

Departs: 2023 & 2024

Stay: 4 nights 3-star lodge accommodation

Travel style: Escorted tour

Booking code: SAKNP5M

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5 Days Kruger National Park Escorted Safari

About the holiday

This short South Africa tour is packed with inclusions, but the big attraction is obviously the incredible wildlife viewing!

The Mpumalanga area is one of great contrast, bordered in the west by the towering escarpment with lush indigenous forests, crystal-clear streams and plunging waterfalls. Then falling away into the flat Lowveld bushveld, home to one of the richest diversities of fauna and flora in the world.

Impressive private reserves and the renowned Kruger National Park are located in this area. We spend time both in the park and on a private reserve that's unfenced to Kruger Park.

Being privately owned, we have the freedom to conduct game walks and open vehicle game drives on the property. Private reserve game viewing experiences and optimised game driving time gives travellers the ultimate wildlife and Panorama route experience in a compact package.

Why you'll love this trip...

See the best of South Africa on a short, value-packed tour. Loads of inclusions, with many meals, sightseeing and wildlife viewing opportunities. Expert local guides will look after you and proudly share their Africa with you!

Travel dates

2023 & 2024 - departs Sundays from Johannesburg*

*Dates are subject to confirmation at time of booking. Price may vary depending on your travel date and seasonal surcharges apply.

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Holiday Inclusions

TOUR: 5 Day Kruger Safari Tour

ROUTE: Johannesburg - Johannesburg

DEPARTURES: Every Sunday

VEHICLE: Custom 17-seater adventure truck

STAFF: Two Crew onboard

DURATION: 4 nights Lodge accommodation as per itinerary

INCLUDED HIGHLIGHTS:

- *Historical Towns*
- *Private game reserve*
- *Exclusive bush lodge*
- *'Big Five' game exploring*
- *Open vehicle game drive*
- *Night game drive*
- *Panorama route drive*
- *Blyde River Canyon*
- *3 Rondawels*
- *Bourke's Luck Potholes*
- *God's Window*
- *Kruger National Park*

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

Package excludes:

Flights to/from South Africa - please contact us for airfare quotes

Visa fees (if applicable)

Meals & sightseeing not specified in the inclusions or itinerary

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: JHB - BUSH LODGE

Departing from the Greenfire Johannesburg Lodge at 06h30, we set off on the scenic road to the east of the country where we encounter beautiful natural scenery and many wild animals in natural parks and game reserves.

Lunch is enjoyed in the historic town of Dullstroom, Africa's premier fly-fishing area before we wind our way down the Drakensberg escarpment. The road is filled with picturesque beauty, from mountain passes to the Acacia trees scattered across the African bushveld.

The next two nights we get cosy at our well-appointed GREENFIRE BUSH LODGE, situated in a private reserve within the greater Kruger National Park, where animals roam freely and unrestricted. This privately owned reserve allows us the freedom to explore the wilderness in search of a variety of animals in open game drive vehicles, day and night.

The tented lodge casually blends into the bush and offers crisp comfortable beds, ensuite bathrooms, a refreshing splash pool, and stunning views over the surrounding wilderness, including a water hole frequented by a variety of animals. Retire to bed with a symphony of sounds from the animal kingdom.

Meals: D (Lunch Own Expense)

Included Highlights/Activity:

- Scenic drive down to the Lowveld region
- Private Game Reserve Accommodation

DAY 2: BUSH LODGE

After a peaceful nights rest we start with an early riser light breakfast of fresh coffee and rusks (a traditional South African biscuit), before embarking on our morning experience within this Big 5 area.

Guided by a qualified guide/Ranger we explore the wilderness, with heightened senses, always on the lookout for an animal encounter while discovering the smaller treasures often hidden from the eye.

Before the heat of the day sets in, we return to the lodge for a scrumptious brunch, after which it's time to relax around the lodge and enjoy the serenity of the surrounding wilderness. A nearby waterhole in front of the camp attracts a variety of wildlife that come to quench their thirst, displaying the pecking order ever so present. Unwind with a refreshing drink and game viewing from the swimming pool or from your deck.

With the heat subsiding in the late afternoon an open game drive is in order, which develops into an extensive night drive in search of nocturnal animals.

As dusk approaches we pull over and enjoy a sun-downer drink or two, while watching the magnificent sunset over the African bushveld.

Meals: Brunch Dinner

Included Highlights/Activity:

- **Exclusive Private Reserve**
- **Morning and afternoon guided experience in Big 5 area**

DAY 3: PANORAMA ROUTE - HAZYVIEW

Rising with the African sun, a hearty breakfast is enjoyed, before setting off to explore the highlights of the Panorama Route, famous for many natural wonders and viewing points. First stop will be to view the impressive Blyde River Canyon - the world's largest "green canyon", then on to Bourke's Luck Potholes where abundant gold was found and finally the breath-taking God's Window. (Weather Permitting) An own expense lunch is enjoyed giving guests the opportunity to meet the locals.

Mid-afternoon we make our way to the tranquil GREENFIRE LODGE HAZYVIEW, a log cabin built spectacularly on stilts in the indigenous forest on the banks of the impressive Sabie River or "Fearful" river as dubbed by the locals.

Time permitting, guests are able to do a nature walk on the property and the adjoining coffee farm and enjoy the mysterious forest. We spend two nights here.

Meals: B D (Lunch Own Expense)

Included Highlights/Activity:

- **Panorama Route**

- **God's Window**
- **Bourke's Luck Potholes**
- **3 Rondavels**

DAY 4: KRUGER NATIONAL PARK

Waking with the birds, we depart the lodge at sunrise and travel a short distance to enter a different area of the Kruger National Park for a full day of game viewing.

Driving slowly through this iconic National park the size of Israel or Wales we search for the many animals that inhabit this area. From the high vantage point and comfort of our well-equipped vehicle, our expert guide will take time to explain the behaviour of the many animals we see in this fascinating environment.

Most of the day will be spent game viewing, while stopping at various designated sites to stretch our legs and to enjoy an own expense lunch at one of the rest camps in the park.

Late this afternoon we exit the park and return to the comfort of our GREENFIRE LODGE HAZYVIEW.

Meals: Packed Breakfast Snacks, Dinner

Included Highlights/Activity:

- **Southern section of Kruger National Park**
- **Full day game drive**

DAY 5: JOHANNESBURG

After a relaxed breakfast, we depart Hazyview and make our way back to Johannesburg using the route originally pioneered by the early gold diggers. The tour will conclude late afternoon, on arrival at the Greenfire Johannesburg Lodge or at O R Tambo airport.

Meals: B (Lunch Own Expense)

Included Highlights/Activity:

- Scenic Drive

Please Note: We also offer limited departures in the reverse direction starting with 2 Days in Hazyview and then followed by 2 Days in Balule.

The day by day descriptions published are intended as a rough guideline only. Adventure travel by nature is unpredictable, weather patterns, game migrations, road conditions 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.



Tour notes:

WEATHER CONDITIONS

Please note that Southern African weather conditions vary tremendously from season to season. During summer months temperatures of up to 40°C can be experienced. During the winter months of June, July and August the nights are very cold, temperatures may drop well below 0°C, although the day temperatures will be pleasant at around 20°C.

CLOTHING & PERSONAL EFFECTS

Herewith a recommended guide of what to bring along:

Sport Shoes / Sneakers & Sandals

Hat & Sun Cream

Water Bottle

Smaller day pack

Camera, Binoculars

Books (Birds, Mammals, personal reading books, Optional)

For general travelling (to keep yourself entertained on the longer drives)

Personal iPod, iPad/tablet etc.

Personal reading books

A deck of cards or something similar

Battery chargers for your personal devices (iPads, E-Readers, Mobile phones, Cameras etc)

Vehicles are equipped with charging facilities while driving. A Two-pin charger is perfect.

Clothing and Toiletries

Long Trousers / Tracksuit
Hat or cap
Shorts
Swimming Costume & Towel
Waterproof Windbreaker
Personal toiletries
Jersey / Jumper
Insect Repellent
Socks & Underwear
T-Shirts / Shirts

General Accessories

Mosquito Net (Optional)
Malaria Prophylaxis (please enquire from your general Doctor at home)
Money (Sundry expenses, gratuities)
Torch / Flashlight / Batteries
Refreshments
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Passport/Visa
Luggage to fit packing space on vehicles*

** Luggage should be limited to a maximum of 15kg

Each traveller will have their own locker on the trucks which is accessible even while driving. Backpacks, Barrel bags or Soft Suitcases are strongly advisable as your standard Hard Suitcases sometimes don't fit in the lockers. Each locker could be locked with your personal lock (which you can also purchase from the Greenfire Johannesburg Lodge upon arrival).

MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS

Meals are provided as indicated in the itinerary/website. Soft drinks, bottled water and alcohol are for your own expense; there is ample opportunity during the tour to buy refreshments. The guide will advise when you need to stock up for a couple of days.

PERSONAL EXPENSES

A reasonable amount of personal spending money should be brought with you. This is to cover own expense meals as indicated in the Brochure, bottled water, soft drinks, alcohol, sundry goods purchased - such as suntan cream etc., curios, optional extra excursions, airport tax, transfers and tips.

In Africa things work a little different to the rest of the World. Tipping or gratuity, unless otherwise specified, is not included in the price you pay for services delivered. This accounts for restaurant meals, casual help and the services of the guide or guides that you will meet on your tour.

In Southern and East Africa it is classified as a common courtesy to TIP “casual help (guides)”.

This TIP is not something that is forced upon you by any means, but in many industries of tourism it is customary. It works as follows: if you believe your guide has lived up to your expectations and has performed his/her job in a way that you respect and are happy with the services rendered, an amount of R 50 per person per day or equivalent in any major currency would constitute a fantastic tip. Remember that this is just a guideline and is not by any means compulsory, but seen as common courtesy in Africa.

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