

ESSENTIAL SOUTH AFRICA TOUR



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Essential South Africa Escorted Tour

Duration: 7 days

Stay: 4 nights hotels, 2 nights lodge

Travel style: Escorted tour

Booking code: SAESG7M

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7 Days Essential South Africa Escorted Tour

About the holiday

Experience the comfort of an escorted tour, with the freedom to explore on your own during this South Africa value trip!

This tour offers a great introduction to South Africa, including animal viewing game drives and time to experience the city of Cape Town. A city tour will help you get your bearings and pick up local travel tips about Cape Town. Then during your free time in the beautiful city, there are plenty of optional tours available for those of you who are keen to see as much as possible during your stay.

Fly to Johannesburg and drive to Limpopo Province, where amazing game drives and animal viewing bring the thrill of being in Africa to life. While staying at a classic first class lodge, you'll get to enjoy wildlife drives in small, non-air-conditioned safari vehicles. Early mornings and late afternoons are best, to avoid the midday heat when animals are at rest. This is your chance to look out for lion, leopard, cheetah, herds of elephant and buffalo, as well as incredible bird viewing opportunities on a breathtaking safari!

Why you'll love this trip...

Experience Cape Town on a panoramic city tour

Thrilling game drives & wildlife viewing in magnificent Limpopo Province

Enjoy a comfortable Cape Town hotel & 4-star lodge that's close to game reserves

Expert tour leader is on hand with advice & tips to enhance your trip

Travel dates

2024 & 2025 - Departs from Cape Town year-round

Note: Departures are subject to availability. Price can vary depending on your travel date.

Please contact us for current prices and dates.

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Holiday Inclusions

Escorted Package Includes:

Accommodation - 6 nights first class accommodation

4 nights Cape Town, 3- or 4-star hotel

2 nights Limpopo Province, 4-star game lodge

Hotel taxes, fees & service charges

Hotel portorage

Meals - 10 meals: 6 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners

Tour - Sightseeing & Game Drives per itinerary

Services of English-speaking tour manager throughout

Flight - Domestic intra-flight Cape Town-Johannesburg

Package excludes:

International flights - please contact us for the latest airfare specials

Visa fees (where applicable)

Airport transfers

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 - we can assist with a quote

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

Subject to confirmation by tour company, hotels & local operators.

Cancellation fees & booking conditions apply.

For current prices & the latest travel deals

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Itinerary:

DAY 1, Saturday - Arrive in Cape Town

Arrive in Cape Town. As you make your own way to the hotel, you might see the city's iconic symbol, Table Mountain, greeting you in the distance. Balance of the day is at leisure

Overnight: Cape Town

DAY 2, Sunday - Cape Town City Tour

After an orientation meeting with your Tour Manager, depart on a city tour. Pass famous landmarks including the Castle of Good Hope, City Hall, the Grand Parade, St. George's Cathedral, Company Gardens, and the Malay Quarter. The route then leads to Kloof Nek and Table Mountain. Perhaps ascend to the summit by cable car (ticket not included) for bird's eye view of the city and its beaches. Continue to the V & A Waterfront where you will have the opportunity to learn the three-billion-year-old story of diamonds while touring prominent Shimansky Jewellers & Museum. Following the tour (or for those who do not wish to participate), stroll through the adjacent V & A Waterfront with its endless shopping and dining opportunities before returning to your hotel for an afternoon at leisure

Overnight: Cape Town

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 3, Monday - Full Day in Cape Town

While in Cape Town, we recommend the *optional* tour to Cape Peninsula, known for its steep mountains, secluded coves, and pristine beaches. The Cape of Good Hope, within Table Mountain National Park, is home to at least 250 species of birds as well as antelope, ostrich, and baboons. Walk the rugged cliffs, or take the famous Flying Dutchman funicular that climbs uphill to the old lighthouse. Afterward, visit Boulders Beach to see the unique spectacle of penguins waddling freely, and walk through Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens. Tonight, attend the *optional* Traditional African Dinner Experience for a memorable evening of live performances and African gastronomy before returning to the hotel

Optional: Full Day Cape Peninsula Tour

Optional: Traditional African Dinner Experience

Overnight: Cape Town

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 4, Tuesday - Full Day in Cape Town

Spend 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 shark cage diving*

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

Optional: South African Wine Tour

Optional: Full Day Shark Cage Diving

Overnight: Cape Town

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 5, Wednesday - Flight to Johannesburg, Evening Game Drive

This morning, fly to Johannesburg, known as "Gauteng: the City of Gold." Upon arrival, drive to Limpopo Province located just three hours outside of Johannesburg. Your stay will be at a game reserve where the varied habitats provide ideal conditions for a selection of large mammals including the Big Five (lion, elephant, buffalo, leopard, and rhino). After lunch at the lodge, take a late afternoon game drive accompanied by a ranger to uncover the magic of the African bush. This evening, dinner is at the lodge

Overnight: Limpopo Province

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 6, Thursday - Morning and Afternoon Game Drives

Depart early for a morning game drive, or participate in the *optional* Balloon Safari.* Drift above the beautiful landscape, watching for wild game below. A glass of sparkling wine awaits you at the end of the journey. Join the rest of your group on the morning game drive in open safari vehicles where you may have a chance to see not only the large beasts but also the smaller mammals, birds and insects. After lunch, relax at the lodge before setting out for your afternoon game drive. Return in time for dinner and toast to your final night in South Africa

*The Mabula Balloon Safari optional is only available when staying at Mabula Game Lodge

Optional: Mabula Balloon Safari

Overnight: Limpopo Province

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 7, Friday - Depart South Africa

Awake early this morning and set out on your final game drive. After the game drive, bid farewell to the bush and travel east toward Johannesburg. Arrive to the O.R.

Tambo International Airport in Johannesburg at 4 PM for your departure flight.

Please select flights that depart no earlier than 6:50 PM

Meals: Breakfast

Note: The daily descriptions published are intended as a rough guideline only and can vary depending on day of departure. 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.

Is this trip right for me?

This value program provides the comfort of an escorted tour, with the freedom to explore on your own. Minimal inclusions plus a variety of optional excursions allow maximum customization. This moderately active program is intended to offer an introduction to the two most South African experiences, animal game drives and the city of Cape Town. Game drives take place in the early morning and late afternoon to avoid mid-day heat when animals are at rest. Game drives will be performed by small, non air-conditioned safari vehicles. During this tour, you may come into proximity of wild animals whose actions can be unpredictable. Certain inherent risks are involved which should be considered at your own discretion. Additional optional sightseeing is available to enhance your holiday. While on safari, on the motor coach and at remote lodges, WiFi service is not available or extremely limited. Short power outages are a regular occurrence in South Africa. Hotels in major cities are equipped with back-up generators so there are no interruptions to normal services, however hotels outside of major cities may have supplemental generators that provide electricity to only essential services.

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