

# SOUTH AFRICA 17TH APRIL 2013 19 DAY SOUTH AFRICAN ADVENTURE (Trip Code: IAS SAA E19) Pretoria to Cape Town – accommodated. DBB base (Dinner Bed Breakfast) and all excursions as indicated

# THE HIGHLIGHTS:

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- Blyde River Canyon, God's Window & Bourkes Potholes.
- "BIG FIVE" of Kruger National Park & Hluhluwe.
- Colourful tribal heritage of Swaziland & Zululand.
- Drakensberg Mountains
- Elephants in Addo and the spectacular scenery of the Garden Route.
- Wine tasting in the Wine lands of the Western Cape.
- Table Mountain and the Cape of Good Hope.

### **DAY 1: JOHANESBURG - PRETORIA**



You will be met by our Tourist Guide and transferred to our Hotel for a day at leisure.

Overnight at City Lodge Pretoria or similar accommodation. (Accommodated - DBB)



# DAY 2: PRETORIA - MPUMALANGA (BLYDE RIVER)

Departing Pretoria after breakfast, going North–East viewing the spectacular Blyde River Canyon and Bourkes Potholes, en-route to the edge of the famous Kruger National Park. Overnight at Hippo Hollow Hazyview or similar accommodation. (Accommodated - DBB)

## DAY 3/4: KRUGER NATIONAL PARK



Kruger National Park. The largest game reserve in South Africa is home to the Big Five, as well as numerous other species of fauna and flora. Early morning and late afternoon game drives are undertaken in search of the numerous animals inhabiting the Park. Optional night drive or game walk (own expense).

Overnight in a Kruger Rest camp or similar accommodation. (Accommodated - DBB)

### DAY 5: SWAZILAND

Mlilwane Game Reserve is one of the Royal Reserves, part of the kingdom's commitment to wildlife preservation. Optional excursions (own expense) include a guided walk, mountain biking and horse trails in the Reserve. Overnight in traditional Swazi Beehive huts or similar accommodation. (Accommodated - DBB)

### DAY 6/7: ZULULAND



From our base in Zululand, rich in both cultural history and wildlife, we undertake a game drive in Hluhluwe/ Imfolozi Game Reserve, famous for its contributions to saving the endangered rhino.

Overnight at Endemeni Lodge or similar accommodation.

#### (Accommodated - DBB)

**Day 8 / 9: Drakensberg Mountains (World Heritage site)** Departing after breakfast we follow the Indian Ocean coastline through KwaZulu-Natal before heading inland to the Drakensberg Mountains. Our lodge is situated in the Northern Berg at the foot of the Amphitheatre. Enjoy guided walks in the mountains or relax in the spectacular surroundings.

Overnight The Cavern or similar accommodation. (Accommodated - DBB)

## Day 10: Gariep Dam

Continuing along the foot of the mountains we enter the Free State Province. Our lodge is located overlooking the Gariep Dam. Enjoy spectacular views from the deck.

Overnight De Stijl Hotel or similar accommodation. (Accommodated - DBB)

#### Day 11: Cradock

The historical town of Cradock is our next stop. Die Tuishuise in Cradock is an elegant collection of beautifully restored Victorian era craftsmen's houses in Craddock, the frontier town at the eastern edge of the Great Karoo. More than two dozen Tuishuise line Market Street up to the Victoria Manor, a grand old colonial hotel from the days of Cecil John Rhodes, Olive Schreiner and the droves of adventurers who passed here en route to the hinterland.

**Overnight Die Tuishuise or similar accommodation. (Accommodated - DBB)** 

Day 12/13: Addo Elephant National Park



Found in the Sundays River Valley near the Zuurberg Range, the park is home to large herds of elephant, lion and numerous antelope species. We enjoy a game drive and then have the opportunity for an optional Elephantback safari (own expense).

Overnight Zuurberg Mountain Village or similar accommodation. (Accommodated - **DBB**)

## DAY 14/ 15: THE GARDEN ROUTE



Following the coastline we explore the famous Garden Route, situated between the forests of the Tsitsikama and the wine lands of the Western Cape. A full day is available to explore the charming towns of the area or a variety of optional activities (own expense) including bungi jumping, whale watching (in season) & scenic walks.

Overnight Knysna Hollow or similar accommodation. (Accommodated - DBB)

# DAY 16: OUDTSHOORN

Heading inland to Oudtshoorn via the Outeniqua Pass, we enjoy fascinating guided tours of an Ostrich Farm and the famous Cango Caves. Overnight Queens Hotel or similar accommodation. (Accommodated – DBB)

# DAY 17/ 18: CAPE TOWN



Our journey takes us through a picturesque fruit and wine growing valley known as the longest wine route in the world, "Route 62". We visit a wine farm for wine tasting arriving in Cape Town in the late afternoon. The following morning we depart at 08h00 for a full day peninsular tour. Driving along the Atlantic seaboard via Hout Bay and Chapman's Peak, we visit the Cape Point Nature Reserve returning to our hotel via the Indian Ocean coastline. A morning or afternoon cable car ascent up Table Mountain is included (weather dependant). Dinners will be enjoyed at the bustling Waterfront.

Overnight Breakwater Lodge or similar accommodation. (Accommodated - DBB)

#### DAY 19: CAPE TOWN

The tour ends after breakfast leaving you with some free time for last minute shopping.

Transfer to Cape Town International Airport in time for your flight to back home.

This itinerary will depend on local conditions

## ACCOMODATED SAFARI INCLUDES

**Accommodation:** 18 nights rest camp, bungalow, chalet and small hotel/ guest farm.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinners throughout, lunches and drinks own expense. **Group Size:** 4-16 participants.

**Transfers:** All South African Airport transfers are included.

**Important:** This tour is recommended for healthy, active participants looking for an adventurous holiday.

## EXCLUDES

Expense of a personal nature (Drinks / Snacks) Flights to and from South Africa

The staff and management look forward to welcoming you aboard and trust that you will enjoy your trip with Into Africa Safari.



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