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Drakensberg & Garden Route Explorer (Trip Code: IAS DCA E11) 11 day Durban to Cape Town Accommodated Adventure

This trip begins in Durban, South Africa, and travels south along the Garden Route before finishing in Cape Town, South Africa.

This trip starts in Durban on day 1. Should you wish to explore Durban, an earlier arrival should be planned and accommodation booked through your agent or Into Africa Safari.

Departure Point: Durban

Check-In Time: 17h00 on day 1

Departure Time: 09h00 on Day 2 **End Point:** Cape Town

Pre-Departure Meeting: Briefing held at check in

Included in the tour price:

Itinerary as specified, fully equipped safari vehicle, services of trip leader and driver, all accommodation as specified above, all catering equipment and scheduled National Park entrance fees. Breakfast (B) Lunch (L) Dinner (D), No Meal (NM) where specified. Meals not shown will be to the clients account. Occasionally breakfast and lunch may be combined into a brunch where necessary e.g. mornings with early game drives.

Excluded in the tour price:

International airfares, arrival and departure transfers, travel and medical insurance, personal spending money, visas, passports, vaccinations, personal taxes (including departure and border taxes) all optional activities, unscheduled or optional National Parks / Reserves entrance fees, gratuities, restaurant meals and all other items of a personal nature. All drinks, even on days with full board basis.

Please Note:

This itinerary should be used as a guide only and may vary from day to day depending on road & weather conditions, political situations and group decisions.

All prices are subject to change without prior notice.

Due to Tourism Laws in some of the countries we visit, there may be a truck and crew change during the trip.

WildLife Adventures endeavours to maintain the standard of accommodation on this trip, but may have to substitute in some cases due to availability at the time of travel.

Drakensberg & Garden Route Explorer

Enjoy the awesome views of the stunning Drakensberg Mountain range, and explore the deep ravines, waterfalls, forest and grasslands of the Natal South Coast. Say hello to South Africa's untamed Wild Coast that is home to the small rural village of Coffee Bay. Then visit the wild Elephants in the Addo Elephant National Park nestled in the thorny bushveld of the Eastern Cape. Enjoy the tranquil Knysna Lagoon and experience Oudtshoorn, the town that

is synonymous with ostriches and is known as the 'feather capital' of the world! From here it's off to the beautiful city of Cape Town – home to an exciting blend of cultures and experiences.

DAY 1 - Durban

Umhlanga is situated just north of Durban and is well known for its great beaches and its great many opportunities for a bit of retail therapy. Today is spent at leisure enjoying the beautiful sea views and excursions this area has to offer. This evening we meet our fellow travellers at the pre-departure meeting. (NM) LODGE

DAY 2 - South Drakensberg - Sani Pass (470 km)

This morning we bid farewell to those who finish their tour here, and after saying our goodbyes, we head inland to the magnificent Drakensberg Mountain range. The Drakensberg have long been a favourite for hikers and there are various view points and walking trails scattered along its base. (B) HOTEL

DAY 3 - South Drakensberg - Sani Pass

After breakfast we enjoy a full day hike into the mountains. For those not wishing to exert themselves, there is an option to enjoy an exciting 4x4 drive to the top of Sani Pass to enjoy a cold drink in the highest pub in Africa. (B) HOTEL

DAY 4 - Wild Coast - Coffee Bay (300 km)

Today we make our way further south to the beautiful Wild Coast and the little town of Coffee Bay - a quaint little town situated in a stretch of untouched beach. The name is derived from a coffee carrying ship that ran aground here. (B / L) HOTEL

DAY 5 - Coffee Bay

We spend the day at leisure exploring the beaches and the famous rock feature "The Hole in the Wall". This geological feature is known in the local mythology as a home of angry spirits. Take in the Wild Coast's dramatic scenery by enjoying a walk along the beach or enjoy some of the optional activities that are available here, such as 4x4 excursions, abseiling, inflatable boat excursions or visit the traditional Xhosa craft centre. (B) HOTEL

DAY 6 – Zuurberg Pass, Addo (580 km)

Departing early we make our way towards the dense valley-bushveld of the Eastern Cape and head to the Addo Elephant National Park. After exploring the park's wildlife on a game drive, we drive via the Zuurberg Pass, to our lodgings for the night. (B) LODGE

DAY 7 & 8 - Knysna (350 km)

Today we make our way to the popular seaside town of Knysna. On the way, we stop at Bloukrans Bridge where you have the option of doing the highest bungi jump in the world (216m). In Knysna we have a chance to try the excellent locally grown oysters and brewed ale. There are various other optional activities to do here such as the "Featherbed" boat ride across the Knysna lagoon, abseiling off the cliffs at the Knysna heads or a township tour. Your tour leader will assist with bookings. (B) CHALET

DAY 9 - Oudtshoorn (140 km)

Moving on to the Karoo town of Oudtshoorn we travel via the picturesque Outeniqua Pass on our way to visit one of the ostrich farms that made Oudtshoorn famous. We enjoy a tour around one of these farms and even try your hand at riding an ostrich! We also enjoy a tour into the Cango Caves to view the magnificent stalagmite and stalactite formations. (B)

DAY 10 - Cape Town, via Stellenbosch (450 km)

We depart early and make our way to our final destination - the "Mother City" of Cape Town. On our way we stop over at the second oldest town of South Africa, Stellenbosch. Here we have some time to walk around town, visit some of its attractions before having the option to go for wine tasting at one of the local wine farms. In the late afternoon we arrive at our destination. Cape Town has many exciting attractions such as the famous Table Mountain, Robben Island, the beautiful Kirstenbosch botanical gardens, The Cape Peninsula and much more. Your tour leader will assist with bookings. Spend your time here discovering all it has to offer. (B) LODGE

DAY 11 - Cape Town - Tour Ends

Our tour ends after breakfast from the lodge and we part ways having just experienced a trip of a lifetime!

Into Africa Safari can book airport transfers and additional accommodation through our central reservations office. Please notify us at the time of booking if you wish to make use of this service.

Please note: While it is our intention to adhere to the itinerary described above, there is a certain amount of flexibility built into the itinerary and on occasion it may be necessary, or desirable to make alterations. You will be advised of any amendments at the briefing on day one.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Below is a selection of Optional Excursions available on this trip.

Please Note

- these prices are approximate and are subject to change
- where activities occur away from your base, there may be an additional transfer cost.

SOUTH AFRICA: CAPE TOWN For activities based in/around Cape Town, please plan extra days prior to the trip departure			
		Wine Routes	75 US\$
		Cape Point half day tour	75 US\$
		Whale watching (seasonal)	75 US\$
Table Mountain	25 US\$		
Robben Island	35 US\$		
Shark Cage Diving	200-300 US\$		
Township Tour	60 US\$		
OTHER:			
Sani Pass Day Trip (Min 2)	60 US\$		
Coffee Bay – 4x4 Excursion (Min 4)	30 US\$		
Coffee Bay – Guided Walks	20 US\$		
Coffee Bay – Cultural Visits	20 US\$		
Bloukrans Bridge Bungee (216m)	110 US\$		
Knysna - John Benn Boat Cruise	30 US\$		

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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