

Self drive tour South Africa & Swaziland

Day 1 Nelspruit

Arrival at OR Tambo, the International Airport of Johannesburg. Collect the rental car of your choice. Self drive in Eastern direction to Nelspruit, the capital of the province Mpumalanga. Arrive at accommodation in the nature reserve, Uitkyk. Here you will find zebra's, giraffes, and diverse species of monkeys and bucks. During your stay in Nelspruit you can partake in various activities such as a visit to the Sundwala Caves, the crocodile reptile park or experience the gold digging tour where you can sift gold from the river. You have the chance to microlight flight over the Barberton valley.



Day 2 Kruger National Park

Today after breakfast you will drive to the Kruger National Park. Stay in one of the chalets or safari tents in the "Kruger National Park" on basis of self-catering. As you drive into the National wild game reserve you will enjoy looking for the wild animals. There is a restaurant and basic supermarket available.



Day 3 Safari

After breakfast and the morning game drive you will leave the Kruger National Park and drive to Sabi Sands Private Game Reserves which is amongst the well-know private game reserves in South Africa. After you checked in you will enjoy a lunch. Later the afternoon, your personal ranger will take you and the other guests in the open 4x4 safari vehicle on an evening game/safari drive. During sunset you will stop in the midst of the African bush and enjoy a sundowner African style. The tracker will make use of the spot light in aid of finding the nocturnal animals. At these safari lodges you will stay on the basis of full pension and these include safari activities.





Day 4 Safari

An early morning wake up call, to experience the morning game drive. Sunrise is always a remarkable moment in the world of the wild animals. You stand a chance to see nocturnal animals still wondering around that are usually hard to find, such as leopard. After these exciting activities awaits a delicious warm breakfast upon your return to the lodge. After breakfast you may take part in the walking safari (game walk). The rest of the day you relax, watch birds and small animals that live around the camp.

After the lunch and tea in the afternoon you will go on another evening game drive. When arriving back at the camp you will gather around the camp fire for dinner.



Day 5 Hazyview

Unfortunately today will be your last day in the haven of the Big five animals as you will depart after breakfast and drive to Hazyview. On the way toward Hazyview you can make a stop at the Cheetah breeding center where you can have a close encounter with the cheetahs that have been bred. Later in the afternoon. you will arrive at the accommodation in Hazyview.

Day 6 Blyde River Canyon

Today will be your day at leisure this gives you the opportunity to visit the Blyde River Canyon where you will also have the chance to see the God's Window, visit the Bourke's Luck Potholes and the natural wonder of Mpumalanga the Three Rondavels and you must also not miss the various waterfalls found on the Panoramic route. If you are adventurous at heart you also can partake in white water rafting activities, quad biking and even experience the total natural beauty of Mpumalanga on a hot air balloon.



Day 7 Swaziland

Leaving South Africa and travel to the beautiful and friendly kingdom of the Swazi nation, Swaziland. Make it a point that you visit the local market that is situated in the capital city of Mbabane. You will overnight in one of the accommodations in the Ezulwini Valley.



Day 8 St Lucia Greater Wetland Park

After breakfast you will drive to the Southern border of Swaziland and head to the province of KwaZulu-Natal. You will drive to St. Lucia which is located on the coast of the Indian Ocean, bordering the Greater St. Lucia Wetland Park which is a Heritage Site. From St. Lucia you can go on safari tours in the well known Hluhluwe Game Reserve, tours such as the dolphin and whale tours on sea or boat tours on the lake in search of crocodiles and hippopotamuses. It is also recommendable that you visit the Cape Vidal National park and enjoy the beautiful view of the sea. You stay in one of the guesthouses that St. Lucia has to offer, on bed and breakfast base.



Day 9 St Lucia Greater Wetland Park

Today will be your day at leisure at St Lucia, to enjoy the unique nature and surroundings. Overnight in St Lucia on bed & breakfast base.



Day 10 Hluhluwe Game Reserve

Today you will bring a visit to the Big five reserve called Hluhluwe Umfolozi Game Reserve, where you will drive around and try to find as much wild animals as possible. Your stay will be at the Hilltop Restcamp, on room only base. A restaurant and a small grocery shop are available.





Day 11 Ballito / Shakas Rock

After your breakfast you will drive further in a Southern direction to Ballito, which is approximately 60 km North of the large Harbour city of Durban. You will arrive at the coastal town of Ballito and Shakas Rock, where you will overnight. In this area you have the possibility of doing dolphin tours, deep sea fishing, microlight flight over the sea. There is also day tours to the splendid Valley off Thousand Hills, perhaps you are a shopper at heart you can spend a day at The Gateway where you can enjoy a indoor surfing. This area offers several great courses to the golf fanatics.



Day 12 Addo

After breakfast you will drive to the Durban Airport for your flight to Port Elizabeth. Upon arrival at the Port Elizabeth Airport you will collect your rental car. After all have been completed at the airport you will drive to Addo where you can overnight in Addo Elephant National Park or in one of the accommodations outside the park, and bring a day visit to the Addo Elephant National Park.



Day 13 Tsitsikamma

Today you will drive in the Western direction taking the N2 and drive to the beautiful Tsitsikamma National Park, in this area you will enjoy the surroundings of the sea combined with lush forestry. You will overnight in an Oceanette in the Tsitsikamma National Park with breathtaking view over the sea.





Day 14 and 15 Knysna

You will spend these days in the touristic town of Knysna, at the beautiful Knysna Lagoon. You will stay in an accommodation of your choice on basis of bed and breakfast.

Whilst at Knysna you will have enough time to explore the surroundings of Knysna. You can visit the Featherbed Nature Reserve, the Art route, you can do dolphin tours and a lot more outdoor activities.



Day 16 Oudtshoorn

Today is a new and beautiful day and you will be heading to Oudtshoorn, the center of the Ostrich industry in South Africa. For your accommodation we could recommend De Zeekoe. Your hostess will gladly give you information regarding the Ostrich industry in which they are also part of. You will stay on the bed and breakfast basis. It is recommended that you do visit that Cango Caves situated in the limestone foothills of the Swartberg Mountains, the finest dripstone caverns, with their vast halls and towering formations. Was first discovered by the Bushmen people who inhabited the area.



Day 17 and 18 Winelands

After a scrumptious breakfast, you will enjoy Cape Route 62, the tourist route in the Western Cape, that meanders between Oudtshoorn and Cape Town, offering the shorter, scenic alternative to the N2 highway.

The ever changing colours of the majestic mountains, scenic passes, rivers, vineyards and orchards, as well as the multitude of attractions, will offer you an unforgettable adventure.



In the middle of the Winelands you find sociable University City of Stellenbosch, Paarl and the picturesque town of Franschhoek and many other quaint villages to stay. During your stay in the Winelands, we can highly recommend a visit to one of the many wine farms.



Day 19, 20 and 21 Cape Town

Today you will head for the mother city of South Africa, Cape Town. Here you will stay in an accommodation of your choice.



Days at leisure, you have a variety of options to explore the beautiful surroundings in and around Cape Town as well as the Winelands.

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Day 22 departure

As they say all good things do come to an end, likewise your beautiful holiday has come to an end. You will drive to the Cape Town Airport in the course of the day; drop off your rental car and check in for your flight back home.

