



## Itinerary

Spectacular South Africa featuring Swaziland

### Pre Night: Da Vinci Hotel and Suites



DaVinci Hotel and Suites is located adjacent to the prime location of Nelson Mandela Square in the heart of the Sandton business and leisure district. Guests can enjoy the convenience of luxurious shopping at the Legacy Corner Mall and Sandton City just an elevator trip away. The hotel's restaurant offers delicious Mediterranean cuisine or you may enjoy a selection of dishes at the lounge.

### Day 1: Overnight Flight



One country with a world of treasures, South Africa awaits your arrival. Breathtaking mountain scenery, winding coastlines, remarkable cultural diversity and abundant wildlife in its natural habitat comprise this incredible experience.

### Day 2: Sandton, South Africa - Tour Begins



Your journey begins in Sandton, a city established in 1969. Famous for its rich veins of gold and other valuable minerals, it is now the bustling cosmopolitan center of greater Johannesburg.

#### Hotel

Da Vinci Hotel And Suites  
Sandton

#### Weather

High 62°  
Low 39°

### Day 3: Sandton - Soweto - Sandton



Today you visit the Apartheid Museum which commemorates the rise and fall of apartheid in South Africa. A guided tour of Soweto – South West Township – showcases luxurious mansions and informal settlements as you learn about the historical significance of the area. Experience the regional lifestyle when joining locals for lunch at a nearby Shebeen, or house tavern. This afternoon, have some time to ponder history at Liliesleaf, the former center of the liberation movement and the site of the police raid that led to Nelson Mandela's lifetime prison sentence. Gather this evening with your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner.

#### Hotel

Da Vinci Hotel And Suites  
Sandton

#### Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

#### Weather

High 62°  
Low 39°

### Day 4: Panoramic Route - Kruger National Park



Travel through the spectacular Northern Drakensberg Mountain Range en route to Kruger National Park, the largest game reserve in South Africa. Scenic wonders surround you as you pass through the Blyde River Canyon, made mostly of red sandstone and known as one of Africa's greatest natural wonders. Along this magnificent route, stop at God's Window and stand at what seems like the edge of creation. On clear days, you can see as far as Mozambique. This evening, enjoy a traditional Boma dinner where you may sample some local game meat!

**Hotel**

Casa Do Sol Hotel & Resort  
Hazyview

**Culinary**

Breakfast & Dinner

**Day 5: Kruger National Park - Safari Game Drive**



Have your camera ready for an unforgettable day of adventure and excitement! Enjoy a full day open-air-vehicle safari game drive. A local expert leads you in search of the "Big 5" – elephant, buffalo, lion, leopard and rhino – and provides insight into these fascinating animals along the way. Watch carefully – you may also see a graceful impala, dazzling zebra or gorgeous giraffe. Relax with a picnic lunch surrounded by giraffe in the natural beauty of Kruger National Park.

**Hotel**

Casa Do Sol Hotel & Resort  
Hazyview

**Culinary**

Breakfast & Lunch

**Day 6: Kruger National Park - Mbabane, Swaziland**



Journey to Swaziland, officially known as the Kingdom of eSwatini, an independent nation landlocked by South Africa and Mozambique. Small and peaceful, Swaziland boasts some of the most beautiful mountain scenery in southern Africa. Visit Ngwenya Glass, a success story for Swaziland and the environment, employing local residents to create spectacular glassworks made from 100% recycled glass. Watch the artisans blow their glass and create beautiful pieces before your eyes.

**Hotel**

Mountain Inn  
Mbabane

**Culinary**

Breakfast

**Day 7: Mbabane - Mkuze, South Africa**



This morning, immerse yourself in the local Swazi culture during a visit to the Mbabane Market. This bustling market is home to vendors selling items from local crafts, textiles and handmade masks to herbs, fruits and vegetables. Return to South Africa this afternoon as you cross into the KwaZulu-Natal region. The land of the Zulu people is iconic to the traditions of South Africa.

**Hotel**

Ghost Mountain Inn  
Zululand

**Culinary**

Breakfast & Dinner

**Day 8: Mkuze Game Reserve - Safari Game Drive**



Depart early this morning for a full-day safari game drive in Mkuze Game Reserve. Keep your eyes peeled for wildebeest, eland, kudu and several other species in this diverse landscape, especially around the waterholes. Enjoy a picnic lunch in the reserve before continuing on your game drive. The reserve is home to over 420 species of birds. Return to the hotel for time to relax before dinner.

**Hotel**

Ghost Mountain Inn  
Zululand

**Culinary**

Breakfast & Lunch

**Day 9: Mkuze - Durban - George - Knysna**



Travel to Durban and board your flight to George. Upon arrival, travel to the picturesque resort town of Knysna, in the heart of the Garden Route, to enjoy a 3-night stay.

**Hotel**

Log Inn Knysna  
Knysna

**Culinary**

Breakfast

**Weather**

High 68°  
Low 51°  
Rain 2"

**Day 10: Knysna**



Today we visit nearby Featherbed Nature Reserve. Begin with a lagoon cruise out to the famous Knysna Heads which mark the entrance to the lagoon. Next, board a 4x4 vehicle and travel deep into the forest. Discover the local flora and fauna during a leisurely paced nature walk. Enjoy lunch amongst the ancient milkwood trees – so called because of their white latex sap – before your return cruise. This afternoon, it's your choice! Visit Plettenberg Bay, a tranquil and charming town originally known as "Bahia Formosa" (or "Beautiful Bay"); witness views of beaches, dramatic rock formations and lagoons -OR- enjoy your afternoon at leisure in Knysna, with time to independently explore the charming waterfront.

**Hotel**

Log Inn Knysna  
Knysna

**Culinary**

Breakfast & Lunch

**Weather**

High 68°  
Low 51°  
Rain 2"

**Day 11: Knysna - Oudtshoorn - Knysna**



This morning's township tour will highlight the diversity of this community, followed by a touching experience as you visit a school.\* Learn about the efforts of the Collette Foundation and the local community to conquer the challenges of educating the children of the region. Travel to Oudtshoorn, the ostrich capital of South Africa. Enjoy a guided tour of one of the oldest working ostrich farms in the area, after which you can catch a glimpse of ostriches big and small while on a tractor safari through the Lucerne fields. An outdoor barbecue lunch adds to an amazing day. This evening you may choose to join an optional excursion to Thesen Islands.

**Hotel**

Log Inn Knysna  
Knysna

**Culinary**

Breakfast & Lunch

**Weather**

High 68°  
Low 51°  
Rain 2"

**Day 12: Knysna - Stellenbosch - Cape Town**



Continue to the beautiful winelands region, known for its colorful mountains and endless vineyards, where you will enjoy a wine tasting at a vineyard. Later this afternoon, arrive in the beautiful harborside city of Cape Town.

**Hotel**

Commodore Hotel  
Cape Town

**Culinary**

Breakfast

**Weather**

High 62°  
Low 47°  
Rain 3"

**Day 13: Cape Town**



Enjoy a panoramic tour of this lovely city. Cape Town celebrates its noted architecture that fuses the traditions of the French, German and Dutch. Enjoy a thrilling ride on a cable car as it whisks you to an altitude of more than 3,000 feet, landing atop the aptly named – and flat-topped – Table Mountain.\*\* The views of Cape Town, Robben Island and Lion's Head will leave you breathless. Return to the city via Table Bay, passing through the Malay Quarter with its mosques and minarets. Make a special stop at the Milnerton Lighthouse.

**Hotel**

Commodore Hotel  
Cape Town

**Culinary**

Breakfast

**Weather**

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Rain 3"

**Day 14: Cape Town**



Explore the coastal scenery and charming towns that populate the Cape Peninsula. Travel out to Cape Point, stopping for a visit with the penguins at Boulders Beach. This evening, experience a unique farewell to Africa as you enjoy a lesson on the djembe drums before a communal African dining experience with dishes from all over the continent!

**Hotel**

Commodore Hotel  
Cape Town

**Culinary**

Breakfast & Dinner

**Weather**

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Low 47°  
Rain 3"

**Day 15: Cape Town - Tour Ends**



Your tour ends today in Cape Town.

**Post Night: Commodore Hotel**



Overlooking the Victoria and Alfred Waterfront with views of Table Mountain, Robben Island, the Harbour and the Atlantic Ocean is The Commodore. Stylish living, quality service and a tranquil setting have ensured that guests return year after year.