

SOUTH AFRICAN ADVENTURE & SAFARI

AUGUST 25 - SEPTEMBER 3, 2024 FROM \$4,099 AIR & LAND

10 DAYS, 7 NIGHTS INCLUDING HOTELS, MEALS, DAY TRIPS, AND AIRFARE



Embark on an unforgettable journey from captivating Cape Town, a picturesque city with a colonial past, to Kruger National Park, one of Africa's most esteemed game sanctuaries. Covering over 7,700 square miles between the Limpopo and Crocodile Rivers, this park houses more than 140 mammal species, including the revered Big Five (lion, elephant, leopard, buffalo, and rhino). A 4x4 vehicle gives you nearly unlimited photo opportunities to snap pictures of zebra, wildebeest, giraffe, hippo, crocodile, wild dog, and vast antelope herds. Concluding your adventure, explore Johannesburg's dynamic urban energy and rich history.

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Reservations can also be made on our online booking engine www.aventuraworld.com/booking. The group booking code is: EHZQID



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- (4) Cape Town (2) Hazyview Kruger National Park •
- (1) Johannesburg



DESTINATION HIGHLIGHTS

Visit Southern Hemisphere • Cross Equator • Culture & traditions of South Africa • Cape Town • Scenic cable car ride up Table Mountain • Explore Cape Peninsula • Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens • Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve • View African penguin colony at Boulders Beach • Mandela history • Robben Island • Stellenbosch • Experience game drives in Kruger National Park • "The big five" and more • Johannesburg • Soweto • Dramatic landscape & diverse wildlife of Zimbabwe • Sunset cruise on Zambezi River • Spectacular Victoria Falls

TOUR FEATURES

- ROUND TRIP AIR TRANSPORTATION Air transportation from New York and all intra-South Africa flights
- FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATIONS Hotel accommodations for 7 nights
- SUPERB CUISINE 10 included meals consisting of 7 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 2 dinners
- COMPREHENSIVE ROUTE Visiting Cape Town, Hazyview (Kruger National Park), and Johannesburg
- SIGHTSEEING TOUR PROGRAM Sightseeing, including local guide and all entrance fees as follows: Tour of Cape Town including Table Mountain, and Robben Island, walking tour of Stellenbosch, Kruger National Park, Tour of Soweto. Optional tours available
- CULTURAL DISCOVERY SERIES Our program encompasses cultural connections, in-depth learning on the local economy and social systems, and interaction with locals such as a private discussion with a former prison warden responsible for guarding Nelson Mandela
- PROFESSIONAL GUIDES/HOSTS Assistance of professional guides, trackers and hosts in each destination
- FIRST CLASS MOTORCOACHES Touring by private air-conditioned motorcoach
- SAFARI VEHICLES 4x4 safari vehicle with an English speaking driver/ guide for game drives
- BAGGAGE HANDLING AND TRANSFERS Baggage handling for one piece of checked luggage outside of the airport
- TAXES AND FEES All park fees and government taxes

OPTIONAL VICTORIA FALLS EXTENSION TOUR FEATURES

- ROUND TRIP AIR TRANSPORTATION Internal Africa flights to and from Victoria Falls
- FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATIONS Hotel accommodations for 2 nights
- SUPERB CUISINE 4 included meals consisting of 2 buffet breakfasts and 2 lunches
- SIGHTSEEING TOUR PROGRAM Sightseeing, including all entrance fees as follows: Zambezi River cruise and a Victoria Falls tour
- PROFESSIONAL GUIDE/HOST Assistance of a professional guide/host for all touring
- BAGGAGE HANDLING AND TRANSFERS Baggage handling for one piece of checked luggage outside of the airport

Day 1 Depart USA Depart New York on a flight bound for South Africa. Meals and refreshments served on board.

Day 2 Arrive Cape Town, South Africa Upon arrival transfer from the Cape Town airport to your hotel. Once you've checked in, the remainder of the day is yours to relax and explore at your own pace. Set amidst rugged mountains and the gleaming ocean, Cape Town's mesmerizing charm effortlessly captures the senses. With the iconic Table Mountain forming an exquisite backdrop, this South African treasure showcases a harmonious blend of stunning natural landscapes and a dynamic cultural scene. Embrace the opportunity to enjoy the city's delights.

Day 3 Cape Town - City Tour with Scenic Cable Car Ride After breakfast, depart for a city tour of Cape Town. Weather permitting, take a cable car to the top of Table Mountain, a soaring flat-topped mountain, to observe and learn about exotic flora and fauna and take in one of the best views in all of Africa. See the Malay Quarter, Company Gardens, the Edwardian-styled Town Hall, and the Castle of Good Hope. After some free time for lunch, we head on a tour to Robben Island. Take a ferry to ride across Table Bay to Robben Island. The island was once a prison, where Nelson Mandela spent 18 of his 27 years in prison. Today, it's a UNESCO World Heritage Site where former political prisoners give tours. See Mandela's cell in prison, it's roughly seven square feet, and hear what life was like for him and the other prisoners there, including how he was made to dig in a quarry when officials found out he was acting as a leader during a prisoner rebellion. As part of our Cultural Discovery Series, join us tonight before dinner for a discussion with Christo Brand, a former prison warden who was responsible for guarding Nelson Mandela on Robben Island, and later at Pollsmoor Prison. Mr. Brand will share his personal experiences and insights on Apartheid, and his friendship with Nelson Mandela. He is also the author of the book Mandela: My Prisoner, My Friend. (B)

Day 4 Cape Town - Stellenbosch, Walking Tour Today after breakfast, step into a world of culinary wonders and artistic brilliance on our Stellenbosch walking tour. Delight in fresh, local, and sustainably produced treats as you stroll through this renowned wine region. Savor the handiwork of passionate food artisans and explore captivating art exhibitions that define Stellenbosch's unique charm. Return to Cape Town and enjoy the late afternoon and evening at leisure. (B,L*) *Light lunch**

Day 5 Cape Town Today enjoy a full free day to explore Cape Town or embark on our optional Cape Peninsula tour for a day of extraordinary experiences. Cruise from Clifton to Camps Bay, encounter lively seals, and navigate Chapman's Peak Drive. Explore Cape of Good Hope and visit Simon's Town. The adventure reaches its pinnacle at Boulder's Beach, home to an enchanting penguin colony. Watch these delightful waddlers in their natural habitat, a truly heartwarming experience that will leave you with lasting memories. (B)

Day 6 Cape Town/ Hazyview After breakfast, transfer to Cape Town for your flight to Kruger. Welcome to Mpumalanga Region, a province of

subtropical savanna, deep ravines, emerald valleys, crystal-clear streams, teeming wildlife, and fascinating history. Situated in the north-eastern part of South Africa and bordered by Mozambique and the Kingdom of Swaziland, Mpumalanga is justly known as the land of the rising sun. Upon arrival to Hazyview, you will check into your lodge and relax. Dinner is served tonight at the lodge. (B,D)

Day 7 Hazyview (Kruger National Park) - Safari Game Drive Enjoy one of Africa's leading attractions, Kruger National Park. The park covers an immense area, allowing animals to follow ancient migration routes between South Africa, Zimbabwe, and Mozambique. This region is one of the finest in Africa hosting more mammal species than any other game reserve on the continent. In addition to the "big five," you're likely to see zebra, wildebeest, giraffe, hippo, crocodile, wild dog, and vast antelope herds. The varied terrain is also home to more than 300 species of trees, including baobabs, marulas and mopanes, countless insects and fascinating plants and grasses. Spend the day on game drives in open safari vehicles and see magnificent wild animals in their natural habitat. Be on a lookout for "big five" and experience the best of Africa's natural beauty. Later in the afternoon return to the lodge and relax before you join your fellow travelers for dinner in the evening. (B,D)

Day 8 Hazyview (Krug National Park)/ Johannesburg – Soweto After breakfast you depart for Johannesburg. Johannesburg is a relatively young city, just over 100 years old. The city is proud to be the biggest manmade forest in the world and consists of over ten million trees, making it a beautiful green city in the summer. The majority of South Africa's gold mines can be found near Johannesburg and gave rise to the city just over 100 years ago. Johannesburg is also known as one of the most cosmopolitan cities in Africa with a melting pot of different cultures from South Africa, Africa and the world. Upon arrival to Johannesburg, you visit Soweto (South Western Township), the largest black residential area in South Africa. You will see a fascinating contrast to Sandton and Rosebank in the northeast. This "city within a city" consists of 50 suburbs or sections, and your tour route takes you to all the major points of interest. During this panoramic tour, view the Hector Peterson Museum and Mandela House. Rest of the evening at leisure. (B)

Day 9 Johannesburg to USA or extend your stay with an Optional Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe extension After breakfast transfer from your hotel to the Johannesburg International Airport for your flight back to the USA. (B)

Day 10 Arrive to USA Arrive back to New York and the USA.

OPTIONAL VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE EXTENSION

Day 9 Cape Town/Victoria Falls - Zambezi River Sunset Cruise This morning after your breakfast at the hotel, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe. Local people call it "Mosi-oa-Tunya" - the smoke that thunders. It is 5,604 feet wide and 354 feet high, making it the world's largest curtain of falling water. Remarkably preserved in its natural state, Victoria Falls inspires visitors as much today as it did David Livingstone in the 1860's. The falls and the surrounding area have been declared National Parks and a World Heritage Site, thus preserving the area from excessive commercialization. On arrival at Victoria Falls Airport, you will be met by a representative who will escort you to your hotel. The rest of the afternoon is at leisure to relax. Later join us for a sunset cruise on the mighty Zambezi River. The cruise is a superb way to relax and enjoy the beauty of





the river. Be on the lookout for a variety of games; including hippo, crocodile, elephant and sometimes even rhino in their home environment, as well as many different bird species. There will be great photo opportunities against the often-spectacular African sunsets. (B, L)

Day 10 Victoria Falls - Victoria Falls National Park Today enjoy breakfast at your hotel then depart on an informative guided tour of legendary Victoria Falls, one of the biggest and most awe-inspiring on the planet and one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World. En route, stop by the 'Big Tree,' also called Livingstone's Tree, to admire one of the best-known trees in the world. At Victoria National Park, one of our qualified guides will guide you through the rainforest giving you a brief history of the falls as well as detailing the flora, fauna, bird, wildlife and other points of interest. The falls are massive and invite contemplation from many different viewpoints. You are invited to walk around the area and enjoy vistas. Raincoats are provided when needed. The rest of the afternoon will be at leisure to relax at the hotel. (B,L)

Day 11 Victoria Falls to USA After breakfast transfer to the Victoria Falls Airport for your return flight home. (B)

Day 12 Arrive to USA Arrive back to the USA.

(B) – Breakfast, (L) – Lunch, (D) – Dinner Hotel and Itinerary are subject to change.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL EASY 1 2 3 4 5 ACTIVE

TOUR PRICE

Tour price is \$4,099 per person, double occupancy.

The price of \$4,099 is an early bird special if the program is reserved with a deposit by March 29, 2024. The price increases by \$101 per person (\$4,200) after this date.

For single occupancy, add \$699 (limited availability)

Fuel surcharges of \$350 per person are included in the price. Taxes and other fees are currently \$150 per person and are included. Fuel surcharges and taxes are valid at the time of printing but are subject to change.

Please note: Though rare, it may be necessary to substitute hotels and adjust itineraries/tours at guide's discretion due to local conditions

OPTIONAL VICTORIA FALLS EXTENSION:

Victoria Falls Extension: \$799 Double Occupancy or \$1,298 Single

REGISTRATION FORM

(One per passenger)

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