



## Garden Route Safari & Winelands - 6 Days (#17099)

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### Overview

South Africa is well known for its attractions that entice, and the Garden Route, a safari experience and the Cape Winelands are some of the most sought after. The Garden Route, Safari & Winelands package combines the best elements for a journey beyond expectation.

This round trip begins in Cape Town and travels through Barrydale, Oudtshoorn and Knysna, where you will experience local life at a farm school, before enjoying the 'ostrich feather capital' Oudtshoorn and Knysna, a verdant paradise. Your safari will be revealed in at a private game reserve that is malaria-free and features the Big Five. The journey concludes with a trip to Hermanus, a whale-watching mecca (in season) and ending in Franschhoek, South Africa's French corner, where wine and art create the ambience of a distinguished experience.

Minimum 2 guests / Maximum 10 guests.

Departure Day - Thursday, selected departure dates.

ROUTING : CAPE TOWN - KNYSNA - CAPE TOWN



## Trip Highlights

Cape Town-Oudtshoorn-Knysna-Plettenberg Bay- Albertinia-Hermanus-Cape Town

## Detailed Itinerary

### Day 01

### Day 1, Thursday - Cape Town - Oudtshoorn

This morning you will be met at your hotel by your representative and depart for the 'Little Karoo', travelling via Montagu, a picturesque spa town. Enjoy tea and scones at the only original Art Deco Hotel in South Africa. Stop off in the town of Barrydale, where we will have the opportunity to visit a local farm school, interact with the children and teachers, spend time with them in the classroom, learning more about this rural community. A portion of the trip monies goes towards our Barrydale Farm School Development Fund, which supports the local education of underprivileged children in rural communities. (The school visit is subject to the school being open). Sample top quality port style wines in Calitzdorp, before continuing to Oudtshoorn, the 'ostrich feather capital' and centre of the world's Ostrich farming industry. Overnight in Oudtshoorn. Enjoy dinner at an Ostrich Farm, dining on local specialities. [Dinner].

Distance travelled today: 418 kms

**Meal:** Dinner

### Day 02

### Day 2, Friday - Oudtshoorn - Knysna

After breakfast take a tour of the spectacular limestone caverns of the Congo Caves, one of the world's great natural wonders, sculpted by nature through the ages. Return to Oudtshoorn for a fun-filled interactive tour and light lunch at an Ostrich Farm, including local specialities such as Ostrich Steak. Our journey continues over the scenic Outeniqua Pass to George, the administrative hub of the Garden Route area and then onto Knysna, known as the oyster box of South Africa, nestling on the banks of a beautiful lagoon in the heart of the Garden Route. Along the way, visit the 'Map of Africa', an extraordinary

viewpoint in the Wilderness. Overnight in Knysna. [Breakfast & Lunch]

Distance travelled today: 204 kms

**Meal:** Breakfast and Lunch



## Day 03

### Day 3, Saturday - Knysna-Plettenberg Bay-Knysna

After a leisurely breakfast, drive through the Tsitsikamma Forests. Explore this breathtaking stretch of the Garden Route, where mountains, indigenous forests, deep gorges, and lush vegetation hug the rugged coastline of cliffs and sandy beaches. Visit the spectacular Tsitsikamma National Park and Storms River Mouth (weather permitting). In the afternoon you'll return to Knysna, with a stop in Plettenberg Bay, originally christened "Bahia Formosa" (beautiful bay) by early Portuguese explorers. There is an option (for own account and subject to availability) to visit Monkey land Primate Sanctuary, where you will be able

to see a variety of primates, roaming free in the forest. There is also an option. (for own account and subject to availability) to visit the Birds of Eden Sanctuary, the biggest single free-flight aviary in the world. Lunch will be enjoyed enroute.

Overnight in Knysna. [Breakfast & Lunch]

Distance travelled today: 200 kms

**Meal:** Breakfast and Lunch

## Day 04

### Day 4, Sunday - Knysna-Albertinia

After a leisurely breakfast, travel via George and Mossel Bay to Albertinia, a town set against the backdrop of the majestic Langeberg Mountain Range. En route, enjoy a leisurely walk or swim at Victoria Bay, one of the smallest and most beautiful bays along the Garden Route. Join an afternoon open vehicle game drive, at a malaria free private game reserve, that is home to an abundance of animal and birdlife, including the Big Five. Enjoy a relaxed dinner of safari cuisine, discussing the day's game viewing. Overnight in the region of Albertinia. [Breakfast & Dinner].

Distance travelled today: 150 kms

**Meal:** Breakfast and Dinner

## Day 05

### Day 5, Monday - Albertinia-Hermanus

Our safari adventure continues with an early morning open vehicle game drive. Our expert guide will endeavour to spoil us with sightings of the 'Big Five', general game and prolific bird life. Leaving the bush behind, our journey will take us to the picturesque Cape Dutch town of Swellendam. This charming town was founded in 1745 and is famous for its youngberries, eclectic architecture, and National Parks, as well as outdoor activities. Our journey further continues to the seaside resort of Hermanus, known as the heart of the whale route, offering the best land-based whale watching (August to November) in the



world. Dinner at the Heritage Restaurant, one of the oldest fisherman's cottages in Hermanus, where delectable dishes are created using seasonal, local produce. Overnight in Hermanus. [Breakfast & Dinner]

Distance travelled today: 370 kms

**Meal:** Breakfast and Dinner

### Day 06

### Day 6, Tuesday - Hermanus-Cape Town

After a leisurely breakfast depart Hermanus and travel to historic Stellenbosch with its Cape Dutch architecture, absorb the quaintness of this lovely university town before continuing to Cape Town, the oldest city in South Africa, spectacularly set at the foot of Table Mountain where the tour ends on arrival. [Breakfast]

Distance travelled today: 150 kms

**Meal:** Breakfast

## Inclusions

- 10 Meals: 5 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 3 dinners including gratuities
- 5 Nights' accommodation including portorage
- Transportation including toll fees in air-conditioned vehicles
- Services of a professional English-speaking tour guide
- Entrance fees as specified in the itinerary
- Bottled water in eco-friendly packaging

## Exclusions

- International airfares
- Optional activities
- Other meals, drinks, tips and other personal expenses or services not specified on the program
- Travel insurance, Gratuities
- Voluntary tips for guides or drivers
- Travel and medical insurance
- Any items not mentioned as included



## Note

### Accommodation included:

- 4\* La Plume Guest House or similar x 1 night
- 4\* Rex Hotel or similar x 2 nights
- 4\* Garden Route Game Lodge or similar x 1 night
- 4\* Misty Waves Boutique Hotel or similar x 1 night

### Transportation:

Transportation is in air-conditioned touring vehicles appropriate to the requirements of the tour.

- 2 guests will travel in a sedan vehicle.
- 3-10 guests will travel in a 13-seater vehicle.

### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore the small towns along the famous Route 62 between Cape Town and Oudtshoorn.
- Enjoy tea & scones at the Montagu Country Hotel, the only original Art Deco Hotel in South Africa.
- Visit a rural farm school in the Barrydale area with the opportunity to interact with the children. This visit supports our Barrydale Farm School Development Fund that encourages local education of underprivileged children in rural communities. School will be closed 01 – 14 Jan; 29 Mar - 07 April; 28 Jun.– 21 Jul; 04 – 12 Oct; 11 - 31 December 2025.
- Sample top quality Port style wines in Calitzdorp, a town well known for its fortified wines.
- Guided tour of the Cango Caves and a guided tractor tour of a working ostrich farm in Oudtshoorn.
- Visit the 'Map of Africa' viewpoint in Wilderness, a unique sight that is quite literally a Map of Africa.
- Visit Tsitsikamma National Park and scenic Storms River Mouth.
- Enjoy a leisurely walk or swim at Victoria Bay, one of the smallest and most beautiful bays along the Garden Route.
- Open vehicle game safaris in a malaria-free Big Five private game reserve.
- Visit Hermanus, famous for shore-based whale watching during the whale season (August – November).
- Visit Stellenbosch, nestled amidst the breathtaking beauty of South Africa's Winelands.
- Meals included in this trip support sustainable food production with at least 30% of the food on the menu being sourced locally (within 50-80km) of where it's prepared.
- Enjoy carefully chosen optional experiences that positively impact our travellers and the communities we visit.

## Program Touring / Guide

Escorted Experience



## Fixed Departure

<p><b>10 Apr, 2025</b> Package Cost AUD 3,066 P P twin share AUD 3,619 P P single AVAILABLE</p>	<p><b>24 Apr, 2025</b> Package Cost AUD 3,066 P P twin share AUD 3,619 P P single AVAILABLE</p>	<p><b>08 May, 2025</b> Package Cost AUD 3,017 P P twin share AUD 3,548 P P single AVAILABLE</p>
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<p><b>06 Nov, 2025</b> Package Cost AUD 3,066 P P twin share AUD 3,619 P P single AVAILABLE</p>	<p><b>20 Nov, 2025</b> Package Cost AUD 3,066 P P twin share AUD 3,619 P P single AVAILABLE</p>	<p><b>04 Dec, 2025</b> Package Cost AUD 3,066 P P twin share AUD 3,619 P P single AVAILABLE</p>

