

5 Day Garden Route & Wildlife Accommodated Tour



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

Betty's Bay Penguin Colony
Hermanus & The Whale Route
Oudtshoorn
Ostrich farm Visit
Cango Caves
Route 62 Road Trip
Knysna & Knysna Heads
Wilderness
Map of Africa Viewpoint
Game Viewing Safari in Addo Elephant National Park
Tsitsikamma National Park and Wilderness National Park
Afternoon Open Vehicle Game Drive





TOUR ITINERARY

5 Days | South Africa

Information is subject to change. Travel times and accommodation can change depending on road or weather conditions, etc. These are used as a guideline only.

DAY 1: CAPE TOWN – OUDTSHOORN

Depart Cape Town at 6am and head up to Oudtshoorn in the Little Karoo semi desert area and the ostrich capital of the World. This drive follows the world-famous Route 62, and we'll stop at Ronnie's sex shop en-route for a refreshing drink! We'll visit the Cango Caves for a tour through this magnificent cave system and also visit an ostrich farm for a closer look at this enormous bird. Tonight, we'll stay in Oudtshoorn and have a delicious braai (bbq) where you can even try a bit of ostrich steak...if you want of course.

Meals: Dinner

Included Highlights: Route 62 road trip, Entrance to Cango Ostrich Farm

Optional Activities: Cango Caves Standard/Adventure tour

Overnight: Oudtshoorn

Guesthouse Accommodation: De Akker Guest House OR Similar - https://www.deakkeroudtshoorn.co.za/
Uthando Backpackers OR Similar - https://uthandobackpackers.com/

DAY 2: OUDTSHOORN – STORMS RIVER

Leaving Oudtshoorn we'll cross the mountain range to the coast and the gorgeous Garden Route. Our first stop is the scenic 'map of Africa' lookout in the Wilderness and then we're off to Knysna (consistently voted as South Africa's favourite town). Here we will visit the Knysna Heads, Waterfront, markets and explore thoroughly. After Knysna we pass through Plettenberg Bay and overnight in Storms River Village.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Included Highlights: Knysna Heads, Knysna Waterfront, Map of Africa viewpoint

Overnight: Storms River Village

Guesthouse Accommodation: Andelomi Guesthouse - http://www.andelomi.com/
Backpacker Accommodation: Tube n Axe Backpackers - https://www.tubenaxe.co.za/

<u>DAY 3: STORMS RIVER - ADDO ELEPHANT NATIONAL PARK – JEFFREY'S BAY</u>

The magnificent Tsitsikamma National Park awaits us this morning. Thundering waves, thick forest, plentiful birdlife and otters, this National Park has it all! Walk the coastal route to the hanging bridge over Storms River Mouth and experience what makes this the most scenic park in South Africa.

From here we'll head onto the Addo elephant National Park and your opportunity to spot huge elephant herds, various antelope species, dung beetles galore and more. For those who are not interested in Addo, we drive through Jeffrey's Bay — the surfing Capital of South Africa! Shopping, surfing, sun & beautiful white beaches will keep you occupied until sunset falls upon this beautiful town! Tonight, we overnight in Jeffrey's Bay.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Included Highlights: Game drive in your tour vehicle through Addo Elephant National Park Safari (entrance

fee not included – R400 pp)

Entrance to Tsitsikamma National Park

Optional Activities: Walk to scenic hanging bridge over Storms River mouth

Overnight: Jeffrey's Bay

Guesthouse Accommodation: Greystone Guest House - http://www.greystonegh.com/

OR

Grand House Lodge Jeffreys Bay – https://www.grandhouselodge.co.za/

Backpack Accommodation: Island Vibe – Jeffreys Bay OR similar - http://jbay.islandvibe.co.za/





DAY 4: JEFFREY'S BAY TO GARDEN ROUTE GAME LODGE

From the Eastern Cape we head back towards the Garden Route and to the World's highest Bungy at Bloukrans (plenty of time to jump for those thrill seekers). This 216 m high bungy is a true marvel to behold, even for those that have a fear of heights! Our journey leads us to the Garden Route Game Lodge where we will also overnight in the luxury accommodation. We will do a late afternoon safari drive where we have the opportunity to view rhino, lion, buffalo, cheetah and many varieties of antelope species. A sumptuous and varied buffet dinner is served at the lodge and is yet another highlight!

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Included Highlights: Afternoon open vehicle game drive
Optional Activities: Bloukrans Bunge Jump (216m)

Overnight: Albertinia

Garden Route Game Lodge OR similar – http://www.grgamelodge.co.za/
Backpack Accommodation:
Garden Route Game Lodge OR similar – http://www.grgamelodge.co.za/

DAY 5: MOSSEL BAY - HERMANUS - CAPE TOWN

We start the day early with a morning drive down to the scenic seaside town of Hermanus. Hermanus is known for its whale watching and has the best land-based whale watching site in the world (June-December)!

The Southern Right whales are making a dramatic comeback after nearly becoming extinct a mere 50 years ago. Returning to Cape Town, our last stop is at Stony Point where we visit the local penguin Colony — making our way back with spectacular views over False Bay.

Accommodation: Post tour accommodation can be booked through your agent

Meals: Breakfast

Included Highlights: Morning open vehicle game drive, Hermanus, Betty's Bay Penguin colony

TOUR INFORMATION

PRE-DEPARTURE INFORMATION:

Once booking has been confirmed we will send you a full and detailed pre-departure Booklet to help you prepare. Below is some basic tour information.

WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- Qualified and registered tour guide
- Transport in air-conditioned bus
- All accommodation
- Dinners (as indicated)
- Breakfast (as indicated)
- Game drive in Addo using tour vehicle
- 2x Big 5 open vehicle game drives in Garden Route Game Reserve
- Entrance fees: Cango Ostrich Farm

Tsitsikamma National Park

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES:

The optional activities are not included in your tour because these are activities that not everybody would like to do! Optional activities are a great way to add more adventure to your experience. Our tours are designed so that it is not necessary to do the optional activities to have a good time – there are always plenty of things to see & do. It is always best to talk to your guide on Day 1 regarding optional activities so that he/she can plan accordingly.





• Cango Caves ZAR 170 (Heritage) / ZAR 240 (Adventure)

Bloukrans Bungy jump (216m)
 Knysna Elephant Sanctuary
 Cango Wildlife Ranch
 Additional game drive in Addo (time allowing)
 Entrance fee to Addo Elephant National Park
 Monkeyland
 ZAR 1490
 ZAR 670
 ZAR 210
 ZAR 460
 ZAR 380
 ZAR 350

Whale & dolphin watching
 rates available on tour (seasonal)

Please note that we have done our best to provide accurate pricing, but these prices are subject to change!

ACOMMODATION:

We will arrange all accommodation along the way, at locations we have selected over the years for their cleanliness, unique setting, and atmosphere. Guests have a choice of backpacker's lodges, in which private rooms, and private en suite rooms are available; or guesthouses, which are all private en suite rooms. Single, double, and twin rooms are available at both the backpackers and guesthouses. All bedding and towels will be provided.

Although we frequently utilize the same accommodation every week, we cannot guarantee that we will stay at a specific location each week, due to availability and group size.

LUGGAGE

We have space for each passenger to have one suitcase/backpack and one "carry-on"-sized piece of luggage — a laptop bag, backpack, or similar. There are generally not porters or staff available to assist with luggage — your luggage should be of a size and weight you can comfortably manage. Hard or soft suitcases are fine. If you have more luggage than this, please contact us in advance to make alternative arrangements.

MEALS:

Breakfasts typically include fruit, muesli, eggs, toast, yogurt, and cereals. Dinners are usually traditional South African meals, such as potjie (stew) and braai (barbeque). Please advise us of any special dietary requirements in advance. We are able to cater for vegetarian, gluten-free, and lactose-free diets, but not strict vegan or halal diets. Lunch and drinks are on guests' own account. Dinners for all clients, including those staying at the guesthouse, usually take place at the backpackers.

VEHICLES:

The vehicles that we will be touring in are fully air-conditioned and can comfortably seat 8 adults including driver/guide or 14 adults including driver/guide. We also have a CD and MP3 player. You are welcome to bring your own music, and if it is not too terrible, we can play it! All vehicles have valid operating licenses to convey paying customers.

GROUP SIZE:

Our groups are between 4-12 people, with most guests hailing from Europe, America, Canada, and Australia. Our average age is 33, so we host students, young professionals, parents, and the "young at heart". The tour is perfect for the solo traveler, small groups of friends, or couples, as you will have the opportunity to travel with a diverse group of people from all over the world.

MALARIA:

Our tours take place in a malaria free area. No anti-malaria precautions are therefore necessary. You are however, advised to bring insect repellant during summer.

Should you have further questions, please feel free to contact us on the below details:

General Enquiries & Reservations: info@detourafrica.co.za/

Website: <u>www.detourafrica.co.za/</u>

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