

Best of South Africa

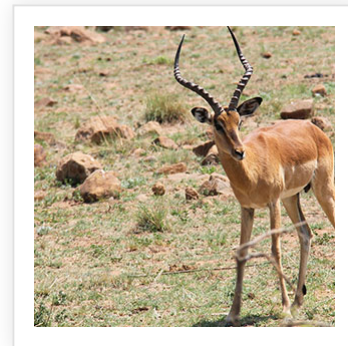
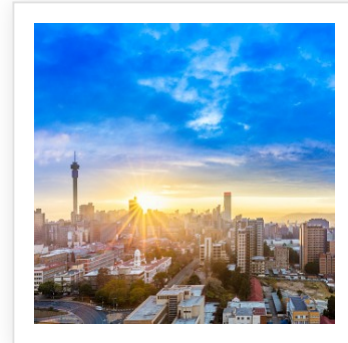
9 Day Tour from Johannesburg to Cape Town

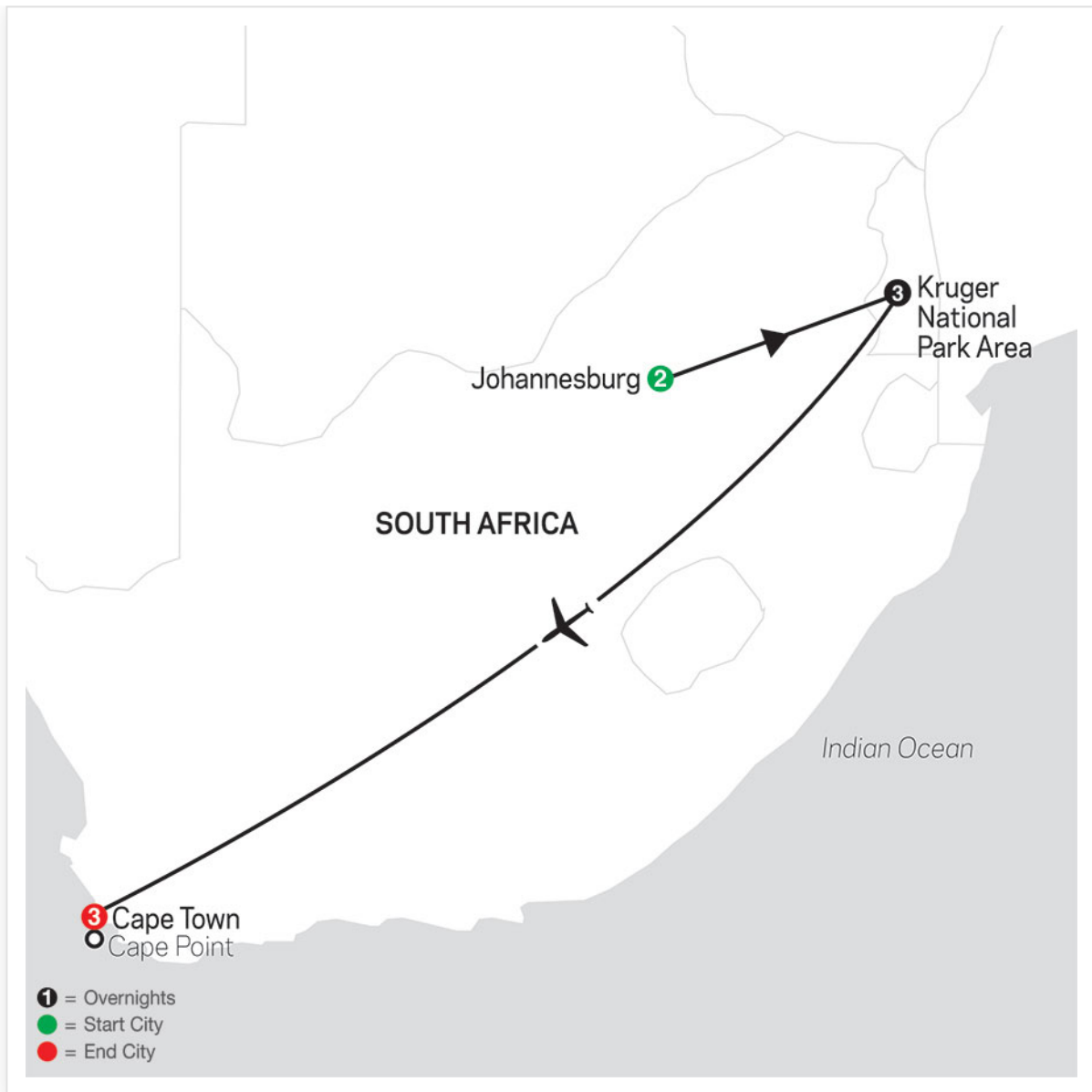
Vacation Overview

From the history of Johannesburg to exploring Kruger National Park and Cape Town's highlights, your tour of South Africa is an adventure like no other. You'll begin in Johannesburg's Soweto Township to learn about its turbulent past and hopeful future. Visit the thought-provoking Apartheid Museum and Mandela House, located in the former neighborhood of Nobel Peace Prize winners, Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Nelson Mandela.

Your escorted African vacation continues through some of the world's most sweeping and dramatic landscapes on your way to Kruger National Park area. Marvel at God's Window (a forested ravine and majestic cliffs), and the stunning cascades of Lisbon and Berlin Falls. Your African safari begins in the Kruger park area with morning and afternoon game drives through the homes of the big cats, giraffe, cheetah, hyena, gazelle, and more. You'll visit Cape Town and ascend to Table Mountain via cable car for spectacular views. On boulders Beach, you'll observe a colony of endangered penguins, then venture to Cape Point Nature Reserve, the Cape of Good Hope, and Cape Point at the continent's most southwestern tip.

Your South Africa tour is an adventure into historic heritage.





Itinerary

Day 1 **ARRIVE IN JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA**

Welcome to Africa! Your hotel is available for mid-afternoon check-in.



Day 2 **JOHANNESBURG**

Today's sightseeing starts with a visit to Soweto (South Western Township), the largest township in the country. Along the way, see the neighborhood that was home to two Nobel Peace Prize winners: Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Nelson Mandela. Gain some perspective of life here at Mandela House, where Nelson Mandela lived from 1946 to around 1960, when he was forced underground to elude arrest. After lunch, visit the unforgettable Museum to learn about the founding of South Africa before delving into the apartheid era. Using photos, video, and print, the museum takes you on an extraordinary journey through the apartheid years to the 1994 democratic elections that named Nelson Mandela president.

 Breakfast  Lunch

Day 3 **JOHANNESBURG–KRUGER NATIONAL PARK AREA**

Depart Johannesburg and explore the Panoramic Route known for its dramatic landscapes. Along the way, see God's Window, Lisbon Falls, and Berlin Falls. Continue on to the Kruger National Park area.

 Breakfast  Dinner

Day 4 **KRUGER AREA**

The Kruger area is home to an abundance of wildlife including the famed "Big 5"—lion, leopard, elephant, rhino, and Cape buffalo. Your skilled, professional guide will help you learn about this special ecosystem as you view wildlife up close on morning and afternoon game drives. Beyond the "Big 5," you'll have the chance to see kudu, giraffe, hippo, cheetah, spotted hyena, and more! Return to your resort in time to freshen up for dinner.

 Breakfast  Lunch  Dinner

Day 5 **KRUGER AREA**

Rise early coffee and tea before your morning game drive. If the timing is right, you might spot some of the big cats after a night of hunting. Spend some time at leisure in the middle of the day. Perhaps book a spa treatment or simply relax at the pool. Later, embark on your final exciting game drive.

 Breakfast  Lunch  Dinner

Day 6 **KRUGER AREA–CAPE TOWN**

Enjoy some time at leisure this morning before flying to beautiful Cape Town.

 Breakfast

Day 7 **CAPE TOWN**

Today, enjoy a full day of sightseeing, starting with a cable-car ride up Table Mountain for stunning views of the city, Robben Island, and the Cape Winelands. Next, visit Boulders Beach where you will see a colony of endangered African Penguins, known for the unique sound they make. After free time for lunch, continue on to Cape Point Nature Reserve for stops at the Cape of Good Hope and Cape Point. Here, take a funicular ride to the steps of the old lighthouse for spectacular panoramic views. On your return journey back to Cape Town, skirt the rocky coastline as you ascend Chapman's Peak Drive, one of the most spectacular drives in the world. Enjoy the evening at your leisure.

 Breakfast

Day 8 **CAPE TOWN**

Enjoy a full day at leisure for your own discoveries. Perhaps explore the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront, take an excursion to the stunning Cape Winelands for wine tasting, or cruise to Robben Island, where Nelson Mandela spent 18 of his 27 years in prison. Your Tour Director has suggestions to help you make the most of your day.

 Breakfast

Day 9 **CAPE TOWN**

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning.

 Breakfast