

# South Africa: From the Cape to Kruger

13 Day Tour from Cape Town to Johannesburg

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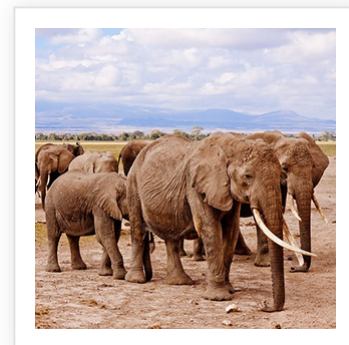
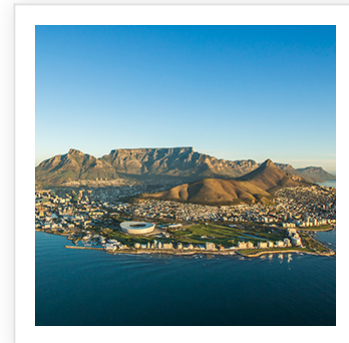
## Vacation Overview

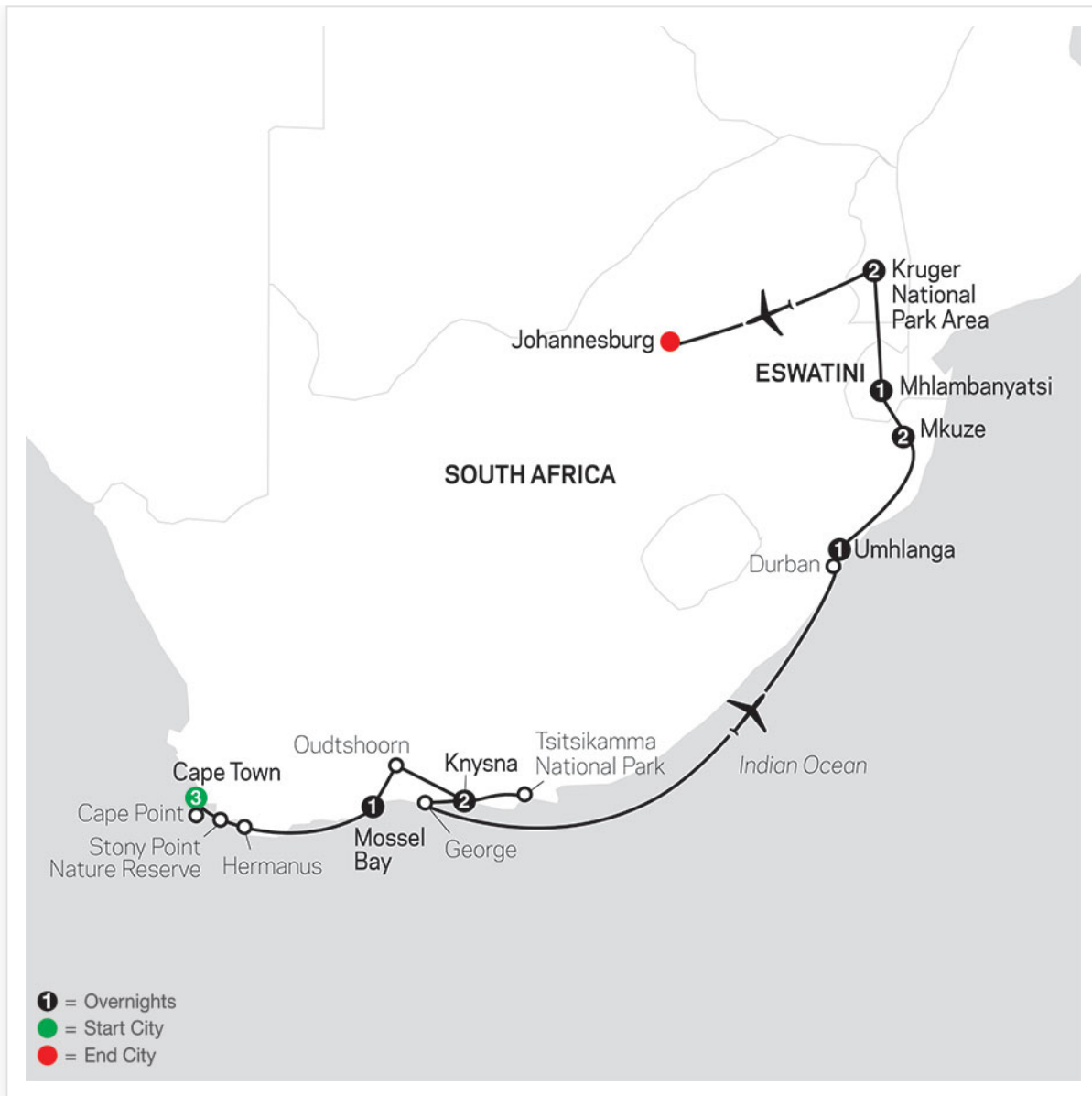
Enthralling game drives, stunning scenery, and fun experiences...this South Africa tour has it all!

Have your camera ready as you ride in open-air, safari vehicles during game drives in Kruger National Park, one of the world's largest game reserves and home to impala, zebra, cheetah, spotted hyena, and more, and in Mkuze Game Reserve, where you'll watch for lion, leopard, rhino, Cape buffalo, and giraffe. Enjoy a cruise on Lake Jozini home to hippo, Nile crocodile, and, if you're lucky, elephant along the shore. At Stony Point Nature Reserve, observe the endangered African penguins engage in their daily activities.

In addition to wildlife, you'll also experience unique culture and spectacular scenery on this tour through South Africa. Learn about Zulu customs and life today during a fascinating village walk and interact with local artisans in eSwatini. Visit Tsitsikamma National Park for a walk through its unique coastal forest. Drive along Chapman's Peak Drive, one of the world's most scenic drives skirting the rocky coastline, and the scenic Panorama Route, with its dramatic landscapes tracing the course of the mighty Blyde River. Marvel at the stalagmites and stalactites at the Cango Caves. Witness rugged rocks, sheer cliffs, crashing waves, and panoramic ocean views at Cape Point, Africa's southwesternmost point.

All of this and more—including opportunities to learn about local cultures—await you on this South Africa tour for savvy, value-minded travelers.





## Itinerary

### Day 1 CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

Welcome to South Africa! Check in to your hotel and prepare for a fascinating journey.

### Day 2 CAPE TOWN

This morning, visit Table Mountain for a cable-car ride to the top for stunning views of the city, Robben Island, and the Cape Winelands. Then, take a scenic drive south via Chapman's Peak Drive, which skirts the rocky coastline and is one of the most scenic drives in the world. Continue on to Cape Point Nature Reserve for stops at the Cape of Good Hope and Cape Point, the southwesternmost point on the African continent. Here, take a funicular ride to the steps of the old lighthouse for spectacular panoramic views. Return to Cape Town and enjoy the evening at your leisure.

 Breakfast

### Day 3 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 4 **CAPE TOWN–STONY POINT NATURE RESERVE–HERMANUS–MOSSEL BAY**

This morning, depart Cape Town and drive to Stony Point Nature Reserve to see a colony of endangered African Penguins. Known for the unique sound they make, these penguins grow to an average height of two feet and live in burrows and rock crevices along the beach. Stop in Hermanus for independent exploration before reaching Mossel Bay for the evening.

 Breakfast  Dinner

#### Day 5 **MOSSEL BAY–OUDTSHOORN–KNYSNA**

Drive north to Oudtshoorn and stop for a guided tour of the Cango Caves with its stunning limestone rock formations. You will also visit a local ostrich farm. Continue on to Knysna.

 Breakfast  Lunch

#### Day 6 **KNYSNA. TSITSIKAMMA NATIONAL PARK RESERVE EXCURSION**

Today, explore the spectacular Tsitsikamma National Park for a walk through the spectacular indigenous coastal forest to the mouth of the Storms River. Cross the famous suspension bridge for views of the coastline and to see the Storms River Mouth Cave. Afterwards, return to Knysna for time to explore the waterfront or consider an optional cruise to see local marine life.

 Breakfast

#### Day 7 **KNYSNA–GEORGE–DURBAN–UMHLANGA**

This morning, drive to nearby George for your flight to Durban. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel in the bustling Umhlanga Rocks area for the evening.

 Breakfast

#### Day 8 **UMHLANGA–MKUZE**

Today, drive to Mkuze in the heart of Zululand. After lunch, travel to the Lebombo mountains for a memorable walk to interact with local Zulu people and learn about their customs and life today in this rural community.

 Breakfast  Lunch  Dinner

#### Day 9 **MKUZE**

This morning, take a game drive in Mkuze Game Reserve, the oldest proclaimed wildlife reserve in all of Africa. The park is home to the “Big 5”—lion, leopard, elephant, rhino, and Cape buffalo. You also have the chance to see giraffe, zebra, black and white rhino, and much more! After time to rest, embark on an afternoon boat ride on Lake Jozini. During the cruise, you are likely to spot hippo, Nile crocodile, elephant, and a variety of bird life.

 Breakfast  Lunch  Dinner

#### Day 10 **MKUZE–MHLAMBANYATSI, ESWATINI**

Today, drive to eSwatini. En route, stop at a local market and visit a glass factory where glass blowers use recycled glass to create stemware, animals, and more.

 Breakfast  Lunch

#### Day 11 **ESWATINI–KRUGER NATIONAL PARK AREA**

Depart eSwatini and head north for the Kruger area. Enjoy leisure time at your lodge this afternoon in preparation for your day of game viewing in the world-renowned Kruger National Park tomorrow.

 Breakfast  Lunch  Dinner

### Day 12 **KRUGER AREA**

Rise between 5 am and 5:30 am for coffee and tea before your early morning game drive with an experienced guide. 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. Be sure to watch for kudu, impala, giraffe, cheetah, spotted hyena, and more on your afternoon game drive. As darkness descends, your guide will bring out a spotlight to help you spot nocturnal animals. Return to your lodge for dinner.

 Breakfast  Lunch  Dinner

### Day 13 **KRUGER AREA—JOHANNESBURG**

A leisurely morning before a flight to Johannesburg. Your vacation ends at the airport. Schedule departing flights after 5:30 pm.

 Breakfast