



CAPE TOWN

8 Days

Day 1 ARRIVE IN CAPE TOWN

A warm welcome on arrival at Cape Town International Airport, where our friendly team will escort you to the hotel.

Cape Town is one of the most beautiful cities in the world, with its majestic Table Mountain backdrop. It is also the oldest town in the country and one of South Africa's jewels. The city is filled with culture and rich in historical experiences, with pristine white beaches along the coastline.

The afternoon is free to relax and explore the Waterfront precinct at your leisure.

Day 2 IN CAPE TOWN: explore the City

After breakfast, the day will be spent exploring Cape Town, Table Mountain and the beautiful Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens.

On a clear day, the distinctive shape of Table Mountain can be seen from up to 200km out to sea, while its summit provides spectacular views of the city, its Waterfront and Harbour below, the majestic Hottentots Holland mountains to the East and Cape Point to the south.

An Authentic Touch – Why not Abseil down Table Mountain?

Abseiling down one of the 7 wonders of nature, the iconic Table Mountain. The panoramic views from the top of Table Mountain are breath-taking, but the views from the side of it are even better. Descending the side of a sheer cliff you will have Camps Bay, the Atlantic Seaboard, and the deep blue ocean at your feet.

After descending the mountain, depart on a tour of the “Mother City”, past Lion’s Head to Signal Hill with its dramatic views of Cape Town, Table Bay, Robben Island, Sea Point and Camps Bay. The tour continues past the Grand Parade and City Hall to take in the South African Cultural History Museum, which is housed in a former slave lodge. Pass the Fort of Good Hope and District Six on the way to Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens.

Arrive at the Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens and enjoy a picnic lunch in the gardens.

Kirstenbosch National Botanical Garden is acclaimed as one of the great botanic gardens of the world. Few gardens can match the sheer grandeur of the setting of Kirstenbosch, against the eastern slopes of Cape Town’s Table Mountain.

Head back to the hotel and enjoy dinner at leisure at one of the many restaurants nearby.



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Day 3 CAPE TOWN : Cape Peninsula Excursion

After breakfast at the hotel, enjoy a full day Cape Peninsula Tour.

Chapmans Peak drive is one of the most scenic drives in South Africa. You will have no better view of Hout Bay and the Sentinel. Designed and built by Thomas Bain, it cuts into the mountain walls and winds along near vertical cliffs. The views are majestic and ever changing, an icon not to be missed.

Cape Point is a landmark at the end of the Cape Peninsula located in the Good Hope Section of the Table Mountain National Park. From its rugged, rocky outcrops and sheer cliffs, to the fynbos covered plains, Cape Point holds much in store for its visitors.

In 1982 two breeding pairs of African penguins (once known as Jackass penguins thanks to the braying sound they make) moved into prime beachfront estate at Boulders beach between Simonstown and Cape Point. Today there are over 3 000 of these birds living here and the area is now a National Park. Penguins can be viewed up close as they frolic in the water and waddle on land.

Head back to the hotel and enjoy dinner at leisure.

Day 4 CAPE TOWN : Cape Winelands

After breakfast at the hotel, depart for a full day in the Cape Winelands, enjoying the internationally acclaimed food and wine for which this area is renowned.

Optional activity: a Quad Biking adventure through the Wine Estate, a two-hour journey through the vineyards with a local guide. The trail ascends to the top of Paarl Mountain affording an amazing view of the area.

An Authentic Touch – Enjoy a classic Winelands Picnic

The picnic area has spectacular mountain views and is surrounded by vineyards. Picnic baskets are carefully laid out on tables under the shade of oak trees to enjoy.

Return to the hotel in the late afternoon.

Day 5 CAPE TOWN - HERMANUS

After breakfast at the hotel, enjoy a private excursion along the scenic coast to the small resort town of Hermanus.

This coastal town is known to be one of the best land-based whale watching destinations in the world. The most diverse floral kingdom and a beautiful hidden valley called the Hemel en Aarde Valley (Heaven on Earth) can also be found here.

Great White Shark Cruise with optional Cage Dive

Great White Shark Diving in South Africa is a combination of goosebump thrills, education and relaxation on a luxury boat in the company of experienced experts and researchers! Learn how to distinguish between a male and female shark, and how to identify a specific shark by its unique dorsal fin and scars.

OR

Whale Watching Cruise (In season: June – December)

Set off from Hermanus New Harbour in search of the 'gentle giants.' The purpose-built catamaran provides superior viewing and comfort and the friendly, knowledgeable crew add that personal touch allowing for an all-round great experience, from ensuring the perfect photo opportunities are not missed to serving complimentary light refreshments.

Some time to explore Hermanus, before returning to Cape Town in the late afternoon.

Day 7 IN CAPE TOWN: Aquila Safari

Early departure from the hotel for a full day excursion to Aquila Safari lodge (2.5 hours drive), where guests receive a welcome drink on arrival, and enjoy a game drive by open safari vehicles in the reserve.

A buffet lunch will be served at Aquila before guests return to Cape Town in the late afternoon.

Acclaimed for conservation programmes, renewable energy, and social responsibility efforts, Aquila is more than just an unforgettable wildlife experience, it is an experience in luxurious African hospitality, traditional culinary delights, service excellence and the restoration of pride to the indigenous people and the land.

As a farewell to Cape Town, we recommend dinner tonight at the Africa Café, a 14 course African banquet with specialities from throughout Africa, with live strolling entertainment.

Day 8 DEPART CAPE TOWN

After breakfast at the hotel, time for last minute shopping or sightseeing, then private transfer to Cape Town International Airport, in time to check in for the scheduled flight homeward.