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SOUTH AFRICA

South Africa really is many worlds in one. Expect stunning coastlines, dramatic mountainscapes, huge areas of untamed bushveld, starkly beautiful semi-deserts, lakes, waterfalls, spectacular canyons, forests and wide plains, plus Cape Town, undeniably one of the most beautiful cities in the world.

From aardvarks to zebras, South Africa is bursting with wonderful wildlife! Although the country only makes up about one percent of the Earth's land surface, it's home to almost ten percent of the world's known bird, fish and plant species, and about six percent of its mammal and reptile species.

Map



Flights

Flights with KLM

OUTBOUND FLIGHT

Sunday the 17th of March 2024

Brussels – Amsterdam

06h10 – 07h05

Amsterdam – Johannesburg

10h20 – 22h10

Monday the 18th of March 2024

Johannesburg – Skukuza

Timings TBC

Tuesday the 21st of March 2024

Skukuza – Capetown

Timings TBC

RETURN FLIGHT

Monday the 25th of March 2024

Cape Town – Amsterdam

00h35 – 11h15

Amsterdam – Brussel

13h30 – 14h15

Hotel

Kruger Shalati Train Suites *****

Situated in Skukuza, 15 km from Kruger Gate and 10 km from Skukuza Indigenous Plants Nursery, Kruger Shalati - Train on The Bridge & Garden Suites features accommodation with free WiFi, air conditioning, an outdoor swimming pool and a garden. There is a private bathroom with shower in every unit, along with free toiletries, a hairdryer and slippers.

Breakfast is available each morning, and includes à la carte, continental and Full English/Irish options. At the lodge you will find a restaurant serving African, local and South African cuisine. Vegetarian, vegan and dairy-free options can also be requested.

A terrace can be found at Kruger Shalati - Train on The Bridge & Garden Suites, along with a shared lounge.

Skukuza Museum is 1.9 km from the accommodation, while Skukuza Golf Course is 10 km from the property.

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The Commodore hotel ****

With panoramic views of Table Bay and Table Mountain, The Commodore is decorated in a nautical theme. It features an outdoor swimming pool and sauna, fitness and massage facilities. The Commodore's air-conditioned rooms include free Wi-Fi, satellite TV and a private bathroom with bathtub. There is 24-hour room service and a 24-hour reception. Some rooms have a balcony providing views of the Atlantic or Table Mountain. The business centre offers complimentary internet access. Guests can enjoy a work-out in the gym or book a relaxing massage in the spa. When weather is nice, the partly shaded terrace offers a relaxing setting for a drink or snack. Apart from a breakfast buffet, Clipper Restaurant serves an à la carte menu featuring seafood dishes and regional wines. The Admiralty Bar and Lounge provides a 24-hour cocktail menu. The Commodore Hotel is situated adjacent to the V&A Waterfront, a 10-minute walk from Cape Town Stadium. Cape Town International Convention Centre (CTICC) is 2 km away while Cape Town International Airport is 25 km away.

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Hotel

Erinvale Estate hotel *****

Surrounded by the majestic Hottentots Holland Mountains and rubbing shoulders with some of the Cape's top wine farms, Erinvale Estate Hotel & Spa is both a luxury retreat and a relaxed home away from home. Guests are invited to unwind and reset their senses amongst the oaks, beneath the thatch, and in the hotel's beautiful indigenous gardens. With three restaurants, an on-site spa and access to the estate's Gary Player-designed golf course, Erinvale beckons wine lovers, golfers, families, spa seekers and outdoor enthusiasts to the very Heart of the Helderberg.

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Program

Day 1: 17th of March 2024

- 04h00 Meet & Greet at the airport with your Xperience Tourleader
- 04h10 Check-in for your flight to Amsterdam/Johannesburg
- 06h10 Departure of the flight to Amsterdam
- 07h05 Arrival at Amsterdam Airport
- 10h20 Departure of your flight to Johannesburg
- 22h10 Arrival at the airport of Johannesburg
- 23h00 Transfer to the hotel and overnight in Johannesburg

Program

Day 2: 18th of March 2024

- Breakfast at the hotel
- 08h30 Transfer the airport of Johannesburg
- 11h00 Departure of the direct flight to Skukuza airport – Time to be confirmed
- Arrival at the airport of Skukuza & transfer to the lodge
- Lunch
- 14h00 Check-in in the rooms
- 15h30 High tea served at lounge carriage

Program

Day 2: 18th of March 2024

- **16h30** **Sundowner game drive**

The Kruger Shalati Bush Banquet is a highlight for groups. Guests will depart Shalati at the normal afternoon game drive time and take a slow drive out to a secret private location in the Kruger bush. Guests will be welcomed with a drink of their choice (but usually bubbles) as they arrive with an African Choir or other form of entertainment to greet them as they disembark off the game drive vehicles. The private spot will be lit up with lanterns and multiple firepits that guests can sit around to enjoy their sundowner drink. Guests will then be served a gourmet bush banquet menu with the chefs preparing food fresh on the fire. After dinner guests start to head back to Shalati at 21h00. Guests are welcomed back to Bridge House where the fire pits will be lit, and the evening can be continued.

- **19h00** **Welcome drink around the fire pit & dinner on the train tracks**

We can set up the fire at the Northern deck which is at the far end of the train and guests can have private dinner there as well.

- **Overnight at Kruger Shalati Train Suites**



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Program

Day 3: 19th of March 2024

- **05h00** **Game drive**

Accompanied by a skilled ranger and tracker, guests can expect to encounter a diverse range of animal and bird species on game drives. Since this is a Big Five reserve, seeing lion, leopard, elephant, rhino and buffalo is possible over a two-day safari in Kapama Private Game Reserve.

The day starts with an early wake-up call between 5am and 5:30am. Tea, coffee and rusks are enjoyed together before heading out at first light. While seeing big game is always exhilarating, there are many other smaller species that are also captivating, and birding enthusiasts will be delighted at the approximately 350 species of birds recorded on the reserve. Halfway through the game drive, there's a stop for hot drinks and snacks, before returning to the lodge at around 9am for a full breakfast. Throughout the day, it's likely you will see wildlife around the lodge - nyala antelope and vervet monkeys are frequent visitors, though seeing some of the Big Five is also not uncommon. After the game drive, we have lunch.

Program

Day 3: 19th of March 2024

- **16h00** **Game drive**

At around 3:30pm, everyone gathers for a decadent high tea, before heading out with your ranger and tracker for the afternoon game drive through the reserve. En route, you'll stop for a sundowner drink and will have a chance to stretch your legs as you watch the sun set over the distant peaks of the Drakensberg mountains.

As darkness falls, the nocturnal animals of the bush come out. The skilled tracker will scan the landscape using a spotlight, which illuminates animals' eyes. A variety of completely different species can be seen on the night drive back to the lodge. Arrival at the lodge is usually around 7pm, allowing time to freshen up before enjoying a sumptuous dinner.

- **19h00** **Dinner at the lodge**

- **Overnight at Kruger Shalati Train Suites**



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Program

CAPE TOWN

Set at the confluence of the Indian and Atlantic oceans and backed by the iconic Table Mountain, the bustling city of Cape Town presents an alluring combination of drawcards. Incredible powdery white beaches, highly acclaimed wine routes, and astonishingly beautiful mountain trails surround a cosmopolitan hub. This diverse metropolis is filled with superb shops and restaurants, extraordinary heritage monuments, a multitude of entertainment venues, and a spectacular, chic waterfront harbour. Highlights include the Zeitz Museum of Contemporary African Art; Table Mountain's jaw-dropping views; Boulders Beach, where penguins might swim right up to you in the warm Indian ocean waters; the Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens, where you can walk along a treetop canopy among incredible native flora or watch an open-air concert at the base of the mountain; Robben Island, where visitors can see the cell where Nelson Mandela was imprisoned for 27 years; and many more.

Program

Day 4: 20th of March 2024

- Breakfast at the lodge & Check-out
- Transfer to the airport of Skukuza
- Check-in at the airport of Skukuza
- Departure of the direct flight to Cape Town
- Arrival in Cape Town & transfer to the hotel
- Check-in and free time

Program

Day 4: 20th of March 2024

- **Keynote presentation at the hotel by Michael Louis**



- Michael is a law graduate with a post graduate qualification from the J F Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University on Privatisation and Regulatory Reform. Nyack University in New York awarded him an honorary Doctorate of Laws. Qualified as a Mediator at University of Cape Town and member of Mediation in Motion. He has had a varied career path with extensive experience in Agriculture, Business, Education and Politics. Agriculture: MD of Komsberg Farming in Namibia, a greenfield investment in neighboring Namibia where he transformed a desert to a award winning seedless table grape export farm, employing more than 1000 people during the harvest season. Business: CEO of the Louis Group SA, a century old family business with interests in Property, Finance, IT and Hospitality. Been recognised for numerous awards including Top 100 companies, Top Manager of the Year, South Africa Leading manager of the Year award . Education: Chairman of Cornerstone University which he developed from a Missionary College to a fully fledged university.

Program

Day 4: 20th of March 2024

- **Optional: Dinner at Grand Café & Beach**

A footstep's distance from the white beach at Granger Bay, the Grand Café & Beach blends casual beach culture with romantic decor and touches of India and Paris. Guests can choose meals from a chic, bistro-styled menu while they look out onto the blue sea.

- **Overnight**



Program

Day 5: 21st of March 2024

- **Breakfast at the hotel**
- **09h00 Transfer to Philippi Village**
- **09h30 Visit of Philippi Village**

Philippi Village is an integrated, mixed-use development which is home to a diverse community of entrepreneurs and small business owners with retail, office and event space as well as sporting, educational and cultural facilities. Regarded as a business catalyst for township communities situated in Cape Town's Cape Flats area, Philippi Village's primary focus is to provide collaborative workspaces for small and micro business owners as well as create employment opportunities and upskill local community members while at the same time providing a vibrant and safe place for social engagement.

Program

Day 5: 21st of March 2024

- Back to the hotel

- **Meeting and presentation by Mathias Bogaert**
Consul General of Belgium in Cape Town
Introducing guests to existing trade relations
between Belgium and South-Africa



Program

Day 5: 21st of March 2024

- **16h00** **Sundowner Visit Table Mountain**

Table Mountain is the most iconic landmark of South Africa. Aside from being the country's most photographed attraction and the perfect place to take photos of the landscape of Cape Town, it is also home to about 2,200 species of plants and 1,470 floral species, many of which are endemic to the mountain. Animal species that can be spotted on the mountain include caracals, rock hyraxes and chacma baboons. The flat top peak of the mountain reaches 1,086 metres above sea level, but being so close to the sea and to the city, its features look more imposing.

- *Fast track option without the queue*
- *The trip with cableway is weather dependant*



Program

Day 5: 21st of March 2024

- **Optional: dinner at Pier Restaurant**

On the upper level, diners will find PIER Restaurant, which will bring an intimate, multi-course fine-dining experience to the one of the world's most-loved destinations. At the helm will be John Norris-Rogers, who left La Colombe to join the launch team at La Petite Colombe, which, under his guidance, was recently named the second best restaurant in Africa at the recent TripAdvisor Traveller's Choice 'Best of the Best' Awards.

- **Overnight at The Table Bay Hotel**





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Program

Day 6: 22nd of March 2024

- **Breakfast at the hotel and check –out**
- **Excursion Cape Point (separate luggage truck)**

Travel in style along the Cape roads in a side car of a Harley. Coffee stops over Houtbay, and a picture stop on our way down to Cape Point.





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Program

Day 6: 22nd of March 2024

- **Lunch at Harbour House Restaurant Kalk Bay**

Perched over the ocean, the Harbour House restaurant in the picturesque working harbour of Kalk Bay offers the most spectacular panoramic views of the bay. An elegantly informal interior in marine blue and white with touches of natural timber, stone and shell, perfectly complements the sophisticated yet unfussy seafood menu. The focus is on seasonality, freshness and flavour, beautifully presented. Since opening in 1998, Harbour House has become an icon of the Cape culinary scene and has over the past 22 years established a global family of 'foodie friends' who appreciate the stunning setting, hospitality and commitment to great food and good times, returning regularly to this international quality Cape Town landmark.

- **13h30** **Transfer by bus to the sculptor's studio of Samuel Allerton**



Program

Day 6: 22nd of March 2024

- **12h00** **Lunch at Harbour house**
- **13h30** **Transfer by bus to the sculptor's studio of Samuel Allerton**
- **15h00** **Visit of the studio of Samuel Allerton**

Samuel Allerton (°1976, Cape Town), is a South African artist.

After graduating from the University of Cape Town's Michaelis School of Art, Samuel opened his sculpture studio in Franschoek, near Cape Town.

Allerton Samuel mainly works in bronze and resin. Nature and the environment are key subjects of his work: he pays homage to nature or fights for its cause. He denounces its horrific abuse and neglect by mankind. Two styles emerge from his work: minimal spiritual and contemplative pieces and more aggressive, shouting (for help or to reprimand) ones.

After visiting Congo's Virunga Park, the artist got inspired by some of the last surviving majestic mountain gorillas and created his Soul Series, in which he uses humor and popular culture imagery. The gorillas are a metaphor for the power and fragility of nature. Since 2003, his sculptures have been exhibited in several group and solo exhibitions. His artworks enhance several collections abroad and he has received many awards.

- **Transfer to the hotel**
- **Check-in**
- **Optional dinner at the hotel**

Program

Day 7: 23rd of March 2024

- Breakfast at the hotel
- 09h00 **Optional: Golf Tournament at the hotel with local entrepreneurs**
- 12h00 Transfer to Almenkerk

Program

Day 7: 23rd of March 2024

- 12h30 Lunch at Almenkerk wine estate with visit and tasting

Belgian native Joris van Almenkerk created a brand new vineyard in an existing apple and pear farm in Elgin. After installing his family and spouse Natalie in 2004, he dedicated his life to modern wine-making in this cool southern area. Almenkerk wines are amazingly fresh and clean expressions of well-reflected technology and human interventions of his loyal staff.

- 16h00 Transfer back to the hotel

- 19h30 **Optional dinner at the hotel**



Program

Day 8: 24th of March 2024

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Free time in the morning to enjoy the facilities of the hotel or enjoy the wonderful Spa
- 11h30 Transfer
- 12h30 Lunch by Piet Huysentruyt
- 16h00 Transfer to the hotel
- 17h00 Arrival at the hotel and free time
- **Optional dinner at the hotel**



Program

Day 8: 24th of March 2024

- 19h30 Late check-out
- 20h45 Transfer to the airport
- 21h30 Check-in at the airport



Program

Day 9: 25 th of March

- 00h35 Departure of flight to Amsterdam
- 11h15 Arrival at Amsterdam Airport
- 13h30 Departure to Brussels
- 14h15 Arrival at the airport of Brussels

Budget

Price per person

€5970

Included in the price:

- Flights with KLM in Economy from Brussel to Johannesburg and from Capetown to Brussel.
- National flights within South-Africa
- 1 night in a 4-star hotel in Johannesburg
- 2 Nights in Kruger Shalati Hotel based on double rooms and breakfast included
- 2 Nights in Commodore Hotel based on double rooms and breakfast included
- 3 Nights in Lanzerac hotel and Spa based on double rooms and breakfast included
- All services, transfers and activities as mentioned in the program
- 16 paying clients
- Xperience Tourleader from beginning till the end
- Travel Application

Not included in the price:

- Single supplement
- Optional : all activities, meals, drinks as mentioned except in hotel Kruger Shalati
- Personal expenses
- Insurance

Event Application

Especially for this event, we will create a unique and personalized Event App.

The following components will be integrated;

- Practical information
- Information about the destination and the different venues with a little plan & map
- Program & Timing
- Profile & info about the participants
- News updates
- Exclusive integrated “Instagram” page
- Push notifications for last minute news

