

17 Day South African Explorer

Day 1
Quaga`s Pride
(Lodge stay)

On arrival at O.R.Tambo International Airport (JHB) we head north-east to the Quaga`s Pride Lodge (60min) to be welcomed by your guide and to enjoy a relaxing afternoon by the pool after the long flight. After a sunset game drive at the lodge this evening a Safari Briefing answers questions and create excitement, followed by the delightful hospitality of the lodge staff at dinner. [--D]

Day 2
Kruger
(Camping)

After breakfast we get the 4x4`s packed and head north-east. We follow the scenic route over mountains passes and thru spectacular valleys towards the Kruger National Park (full day travelling). Your “Big game” experience starts here. Tonight we camp under the stars and let the noises of the night fill your dreams. [B-D]

Day 3
Kruger
(Camping)

We head out of camp early on the look-out for animals and to spot the “Big 5”. After a bush breakfast we feel revitalised and in the mood for more game driving. We head back to camp for some lunch and free time and in the afternoon we go on a night drive to try and find some nocturnal animals. [B-D]

Day 4
Swaziland
(Lodge stay)

Leaving the Park we drive south to Hlene Game Sanctuary (half day travelling) that lies in the heart of the Swaziland hard-wood bushveld. We enjoy a bush walk the afternoon and have a relaxing evening, kicking up our feet and enjoying the bush television (camp fire). [BLD]

Day 5, 6
St Lucia
(Camping)

We drive south out of Swaziland towards the North coast to St Lucia (Half day travel). This pristine Wetland Reserve has been proclaimed as a World Heritage Site its uniqueness lies in the subtropical coastline, estuarine lakes, forests and wild life. We visit Cape Vidal`s exquisite beach for some fun in the sun and you also have the opportunity to do some game fishing or to take an enlightening river cruise (own expense). [BL-]

Day 7, 8
Sani Pass
(Camping)

An early start gets us on the way down the coast and then inland to the Drakensberg escarpment on the border of South Africa and Lesotho (Full day travel). Only accessible by 4x4 the Sani Top is certainly one of best kept secret places in Africa. We spend our time doing nature walks in the breath taking landscapes and at night we find our self under a magnificent sea of stars. At 2874m above sea level it is also the home of the highest Pub in Africa. [BLD]

Day 9, 10
Coffee Bay
(Hotel/lodge)

We say good- by to the mountains and make our way to the Wild Coast (Full day travel). We enjoy a two night stay in the Ocean View hotel and take a brake from camping! We take a morning hike over rolling hills of this yet unspoiled coast line to the natural wonder of “the hole in the wall”, and unwind the afternoon with some free time. [B-D]

Day 11
Addo
(Camping)

Once upon a time Addo Elephant National Park (Full day travel) was a small park with only 11 elephants. Now it’s grown into one of the hottest conservation projects anywhere in the world. We explore the park to look for some animals we haven’t spotted yet and don’t forget the rare flightless dun beetle only found in this park. [B-D]

Day 12, 13
Garden Route
(Camping)

The Tsitsikamma National Park (Half day travel) focuses mainly on marine conservation, this being the favoured breeding place for the Southern Right Whales and the home of the Cape Clawless Otter. Spotting some Bottlenose Dolphins are also a common sight in the waves along the shores of this coastline. Activities available; bungee jumping, canopy tours, hiking, ext. [B_D]

Day 14
Klein Karoo
(Camping)

We visit the town of Knysna for some shopping and then make our way to Outshoorn (2, 5 hours), the ostrich capital of the world. We visit an ostrich farm and maybe even

have the opportunity to ride one of these big birds. Tonight we camp at the foot of the Swartberge (Dark Mountains) and have our last camp dinner cooked on the fire.
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Day 15, 16,
Cape Town
(Lodge stay)

Our final leg of the trip takes you to South Africa's Mother City (Half day travel). Here we take a tour of the Cape of Good Hope, the Penguins at Boulders Beach, V&A Waterfront and tasting some of our finest wines in the fruitful wine lands of Stellenbosch. Cape Town also offers us fine dining at its wide variety of restaurant.
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Day 17
Table Mountain

We have a nice late breakfast to prepare us for the hike to the top of Table Mountain for a spectacular view of Cape Town. We spend some time wondering around and then take the cable way down to have some last minute shopping or just taking it easy. Tour ends 16:00. [B--]