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TREASURES OF AFRICA

**DISCOVER THE CHARM & MAGIC THAT
IS SOUTHERN AFRICA**

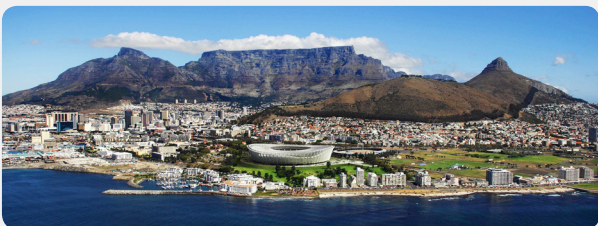
6 – 24 MAY 2019

Encounter Africa with us as we visit some of the jewels of this great continent and travel with friends you haven't met yet. Our exclusive hosted tour ensures safe, relaxed travel with everything taken care of. The natural wonders, amazing wildlife and stunning scenery will take your breath away. Join us on our Treasures of Africa tour and experience Africa for yourselves.



HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit the powerful and majestic Victoria Falls
- See the Big 5 in a Malaria free Private Game Reserve
- Spend time in Cape Town
- Travel the famed Garden Route
- Bush Safaris and Ostrich farm visit in Buffelsdrift
- Cango Limestone Caves visit
- Robben Island & Cape Point tours
- 4 Safari Game Drives
- Sunset cruise on the Zambezi
- 4 star+ hotel accommodation
- Fully hosted exclusive tour, limited to just 18 guests
- Options to extend your trip



\$12,995 pp twin share

\$2,495 single supplement

Prices are inclusive of:

All Internal flights; Breakfasts each day with 12 dinners & 6 lunches also included; All National Park Fees & Gratuities; All transfers by private air-conditioned coach.

All prices are in NZD. Prices are provisional and may vary due to changes in exchange rates. Prices do not include international airfares to South Africa. Please call us to get a quote for the latest fares.

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**MON
6
MAY**

ARRIVE CAPE TOWN

We arrive into Cape Town today and make our way to our hotel, the Commodore, which is located on the vibrant V & A waterfront and is minutes away from shops and endless views.

**TUE
7
MAY**

CAPE TOWN (B,L,D)

A Cable car ride up Table Mountain is first on the agenda, affording some of the finest scenic views of the Cape Town region. We then visit the world famous Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens, which originated when the mining magnate and philanthropist Cecil Rhodes donated the land to the people of South Africa. The garden is home to 4,000 of the 18,000 species of flora found in South Africa, all of which create a most remarkable display and it is considered the most extensive offering of Flora anywhere in the country.

Onward then to Groot Constantia for a guided wine tasting at the oldest vineyard in South Africa.

**WED
8
MAY**

ROBBEN ISLAND (B,D)

Today we will be collected for our full day Langa Township and Robben Island tour.

Langa is a township and suburb of Cape Town and was established in 1927. Langa was designated for Black Africans before the apartheid era. It was the location of much resistance to apartheid in the 1960's. The half hour boat trip to Robben Island provides an opportunity to see a wide variety of seabirds and mammals. The island is a summit of an ancient, now submerged, mountain and is home to plentiful wildlife, flora and fauna. Robben Island's allure lies in its rich and wretched history. For nearly 400 years it has been used as a prison, a place of isolation where people were banished or exiled. It was also used as a post office, grazing grounds, mental hospital and leper colony. More latterly, Robben Island has become synonymous with the political struggle during apartheid and where Nelson Mandela endured notorious harsh conditions.

**THU
9
MAY**

FREE DAY (B)

Today you have the opportunity to explore Cape Town at your leisure

**FRI
10
MAY**

STELLENBOSCH (B,D)

Today we start off on the Garden Route along the Atlantic Seaboard via Sea Point and Camps Bay. On through Chapmans Peak to Cape Point and the Good Hope Nature Reserve. Cape Point is perceived to be the meeting point of the Atlantic and Indian Oceans. We then stop at the largest penguin colony in Africa at Boulders Beach before arriving in Stellenbosch.

**SAT
11
MAY**

STELLENBOSCH (B)

A free day today to rest, explore or visit the town.

**SUN
12
MAY**

MONTAGU (B,D)

After a relaxed morning we depart for Montagu after lunch. Known as the 'mountain mecca' of the Cape, Montagu lies surrounded by the Langeberg mountain range and is famed for her orchards, vineyards, local herbs, rock formations and healing hot mineral springs. A walk around this late-Victorian town is a must and you will be treated to some incredible architecture showcasing the Dutch and British influence on the Cape. We will be staying in the last of the Art Deco hotels in the country. For the more active, why not try mountain biking, hiking, abseiling, paragliding, fishing or a river boat trip. Something for everyone in this special town.

**MON
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MAY**

MONTAGU (B,L)

A day to explore the beautiful gem that is Montagu.

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TUE
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MAY

OUTDSHOORN (B,L,D)

This morning we check out of our hotel and drive to Oudtshoorn, where we will visit a Safari Ostrich farm. With a brain the size of a pea, a top speed of 65km per hour, reverse engineered knees and an appeal that is hard to describe, this prehistoric bird is fascinating. During this farm tour we will look at the scientific and specialised farming required and have the opportunity to get close up and personal with this amazing bird family.

Following the farm tour, we will proceed to Buffelsdrift Lodge and settle into our Meru style luxury tented accommodation. We will take a late afternoon bush safari during which you can expect to experience true karoo vegetation and view a wide range of animals including Hippo, Giraffe, Eland, Zebra, Buffalo, Rhino, Springbok and more. We will rest a while at a panoramic lookout to view the majestic Swatberg mountains and enjoy a 'sundowner' or two. Perfect end to a perfect day.

WED
15
MAY

BUFFELSDRIFT (B,L,D)

A bush safari this morning and afternoon will give you a further opportunity to see the incredible and outstanding wildlife. The rest of the day is free for you to relax and enjoy the surroundings.

THU
16
MAY

CANGO CAVES & KNYSNA (B,D)

We check out of Buffelsdrift today and head out to visit the Cango Caves. on route to Knysna. At the head of the picturesque Cango Valley lies the spectacular 20 million year old limestone caves. The Cango Caves are a cultural and natural landmark which have been inhabited since the Early Stone Age. We will find the finest dripstone caverns, with their vast halls and towering formations.

FRI
17
MAY

KNYSNA (B)

A free day to explore the beautiful town of Knysna. Amidst indigenous forests and expansive lagoon views, the small and unique town of Knysna is in the heart of the Garden Route. Knysna offers many 'must see' attractions, all within easy reach. Whether hiking, biking, kayaking, fishing, browsing the shops or relaxing on the beach, there is something for everyone. Food lovers will enjoy the fresh local seafood and oysters and splendid micro breweries for which this coastal town is famed.

SAT
18
MAY

TRAVEL TO PILANESBERG (B,D)

Today is a travel day where we will fly to Johannesburg from George, and then transfer on up to the Malaria Free Pilanesberg National Park for the start of our Safari in this Big 5 Game Park.

SUN
19
MAY

SAFARI DAY (B,L,D)

Safari day today. We hope to see Game, including the Big 5 (Elephant, Loin, Rhino, Buffalo & Leopard) really close by from open vehicles or spotted on guided walks. We take morning and evening game drives and finish the day with dinner together, as we swap game viewing stories!

MON
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MAY

SAFARI DAY TWO (B,L,D)

We have two more game drives today, giving plenty of opportunities to see the wildlife. There are also plenty of activities to do here as well or simply relax and cool off in the pool whilst doing some excellent bird watching.

TUE
21
MAY

TRAVEL DAY (B)

Today we make our way back to Jo'burg and overnight at the Mondoir hotel at the Emperor' Palace.

WED
22
MAY

VICTORIA FALLS (B)

Today we fly up to Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe. The Victoria Falls is one of the most spectacular sights in the world. The Falls occur where the mighty Zambesi River stretches to around 1,700 metres wide and from its highest point, plummets 108m in a thundering roar of white waters and spiralling mists, giving it the local name of 'Mosi-oa-Tunya', the smoke that thunders. Our accommodation here is at the luxurious 5 star Victoria Falls hotel which overlooks the Falls. This evening we will take a sunset cruise on the mighty Zambesi.

THU
23
MAY

VICTORIA FALLS (B,D)

A free day to indulge in the many activities that are on offer here – helicopter rides over the Falls, River rafting, Fishing, Elephant Back Safaris. Our hotel is centrally placed and within walking distance of the Falls. We have our farewell dinner together tonight.

FRI
24
MAY

HOMEWARD BOUND (B)

Today we fly back to Jo'burg to enable you to either connect up with you homeward bound flights, or to continue adventuring elsewhere.

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REGISTRATION FORM

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Please complete this booking form and return to:

Africa Encounters, PO Box 25-254, St Heliers, Auckland, 1740 NZ or scan & email to info@africaencounters.co.nz

NB: A photocopy of your passport photo page is required with this form

PRICES (BOOK BY 31 OCTOBER 2017 TO SAVE \$500 PER PERSON WHEN YOU BOOK FLIGHTS WITH US)

Tour costs: Twin Share NZ\$12,995pp; Single Supplement NZ\$2,495;

PERSONAL DETAILS

Name(s) (as shown on passport) _____

Preferred name(s) _____

Postal address _____

Delivery address (courier) _____

Home phone _____ Mobile _____ Email _____

ACCOMMODATION & TOUR DETAILS

☐ Twin share

☐ Single room

☐ Please room me with someone appropriate as part of a twin share, on the understanding that in the event that a roommate cannot be found, I agree to pay the single supplement.

Note: Tour departures are contingent on sufficient numbers participating in each tour. If a tour does not proceed, a full refund will be made.

INSURANCE

Travel insurance is absolutely essential and we highly recommend that you make sure you take out appropriate travel insurance at the time of booking. We offer travel insurance through CoverMore and Kiwi Holiday Insurance at competitive rates.

☐ Please provide a travel cover quote for me.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

A deposit of \$2,250 per person is required when booking (credit card payments subject to a 2% surcharge)

Note: Full payment is required if booking within 60 days of departure.

☐ Cheque (please make cheques payable to the 'Travel Managers group')

☐ Direct Credit Bank Account: 12-3209-0116403-16 Ref: [Surname] Particulars: [Tour name] Code: Africa Encounters

☐ Credit Card (Mastercard or Visa)

Credit Card Number Expiry Date /

Name of Card Holder _____ Signature _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

DECLARATION

☐ I agree to the booking terms and conditions

Signed _____

TERMS & CONDITIONS

How to book

A deposit of \$2,250 per person is required together with a completed registration form to secure a reservation. The deposit becomes non-refundable after airfares have been booked. The final balance is due 60 days prior to departure and an invoice will be sent to you prior to this date. All prices are based on payment by cash, cheque, or direct credit. If you wish to pay by credit card, Africa Encounters accept Visa & MasterCard. Payments made via credit card are subject to a 2% surcharge.

Taxes & other incidental costs

All gratuities throughout the tour are included within the tour price. Any other individual incidental costs that arise are not covered

Flexibility

You may wish to consider departing earlier or extending your stay. As a fully bonded travel agency, we are able to assist you with flight itineraries, hotel bookings, car hire etc. If you choose not to take advantage of the flights quoted as part of the tour package, please be aware that you will be responsible for your travel to and from the tour start and finish points. Flights will be subject to availability and any applicable surcharges at the time of booking.

This brochure

All reasonable care has been taken to ensure the accuracy of this brochure at the time of printing, but services offered, package availability and times may be subject to change from time to time. We will advise you of any changes as soon as we are made aware of them ourselves. These terms & conditions should be read in conjunction with those shown here: <http://travelmanagers.co.nz/terms>.

Travel insurance

Travel Insurance is absolutely essential and you should arrange this at the time of booking. You must carry details of your Insurer with you, including contact details in case of emergency. We offer travel insurance through CoverMore and Kiwitravelcover at competitive rates – please let us know if we can help you with this.

GENERAL TOUR INFORMATION

If you wish to book your own airfare, you will be charged for a land only price. If your flight times do not coincide with other travellers in the tour, you will be required to make your own way to the accommodation at the start of the tour and to the airport at the end of the tour.

Payment for tours can be made by cheque, direct credit or credit card, however a 2% surcharge applies to all credit card transactions.

Prices

All prices in the brochure are in New Zealand Dollars and are quoted per person. Due to possible currency fluctuations and changes in service costs, prices are subject to variation at any time up to departure.

Documentation

Travel Documents will be distributed approximately 20 days prior to departure date. Africa Encounters cannot accept responsibility for any documents or airline tickets which are subsequently altered without our consent or authorisation.

Visas / Passports

You will need a current passport with at least six months validity after the end of the tour date to travel overseas. Visas are required for New Zealand passport holders travelling into South Africa. You should apply for the visa in plenty of time before the date of travel, as it can take up to a month for the visa to be processed. If you live in either Wellington or Auckland you will need to submit your application in person. If you live outside of these areas, we can arrange to lodge your visa on your behalf. It is your responsibility to ensure you have the correct documentation allowing you to travel to the destinations on the tour. More details on this will be supplied once you have registered for the tour.

Rooming arrangements

If you are travelling alone, but wish to share a room with someone else, please indicate this on your registration form. We will do everything possible to arrange shared accommodation in these instances. However if it cannot be arranged, the own room supplement will apply.

Cancellations

Prior to flight ticketing refunds will be made in full.

After flight ticketing and before 60 days, refund of land only content.

60 – 30 days 50% of land only content

30 days – commencement of tour, no refund

We strongly recommend that you take out travel insurance at the time of booking in case of sickness or other problem that might prevent you travelling, as well as giving you peace of mind whilst you are on tour.

Accommodation is in 4 to 4.5 star rated accommodation – bed and breakfast or as described in the tour itinerary.

This tour is contingent on sufficient numbers participating in the tour. If the tour does not go ahead due to lack of numbers, a full refund will be made.

Bookings are required at least 60 days prior to departure. Late bookings will be considered, but may be subject to a surcharge due to flight availability.

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