

# **Best of South Africa with Victoria Falls**

11 Day Tour from Johannesburg to Johannesburg

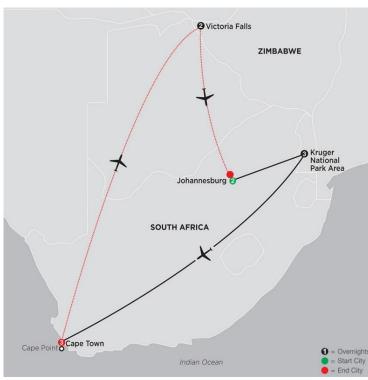
### **Vacation Overview**

From historical sites to natural wonders, your tour of South Africa and Victoria Falls is an adventure like no other. You'll begin in Johannesburg's Soweto Township to learn about its turbulent past and hopeful future. Visit the thought-provoking Apartheid Museum and Mandela House, located in the former neighborhood of Nobel Peace Prize winners, Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Nelson Mandela.

Your escorted African vacation continues through some of the world's most sweeping and dramatic landscapes on your way to Kruger National Park area. Marvel at God's Window (a forested ravine and majestic cliffs), and the stunning cascades of Lisbon and Berlin Falls. Your guided African safari begins in the Kruger park area with morning and afternoon game drives through the homes of the big cats, giraffe, cheetah, hyena, gazelle, and more. You'll visit Cape Town and ascend to Table Mountain via cable car for spectacular views. On boulders Beach, you'll observe a colony of endangered penguins, then venture to Cape Point Nature Reserve, the Cape of Good Hope, and Cape Point at the continent's most southwestern tip.

In Zimbabwe, stand in awe as you witness and hear the roar of stunning Victoria Falls, the world's largest falls and one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World. Your tour to Victoria Falls and South Africa is an adventure into historic heritage and wilderness wonder of this spectacular part of the continent.





# **Itinerary**

## Day 1 ARRIVE IN JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA

Welcome to Africa! Your hotel is available for mid-afternoon check-in.

### **Day 2 JOHANNESBURG**

Today's sightseeing starts with a visit to SOWETO (South Western Township), the largest township in the country. Soweto is a part of South Africa's turbulent past, but this multicultural area is also a reflection of today and hope for tomorrow. Along the way, see the neighborhood that was home to two Nobel Peace Prize winners: Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Nelson Mandela. Gain some perspective of life here at MANDELA HOUSE, where Nelson Mandela lived from 1946 to around 1960, when he was forced underground to elude arrest. After lunch, visit the unforgettable APARTHEID MUSEUM to learn about the founding of South Africa before delving into the apartheid era. Using photos, video, and print, the museum takes you on an extraordinary journey through the apartheid years to the 1994 democratic elections that named Nelson Mandela president.

Breakfast

X Lunch

## Day 3 JOHANNESBURG-KRUGER NATIONAL PARK AREA

Depart Johannesburg and explore the PANORAMIC ROUTE known for its dramatic landscapes. Along the way, see GOD'S WINDOW, the LISBON FALLS, and BERLIN FALLS. Continue on to the Kruger National Park area.

Breakfast

Dinner

### **Day 4 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

XLunch

Dinner daily

#### Day 5 KRUGER AREA

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Breakfast

XLunch

Dinner daily

### Day 6 KRUGER AREA-CAPE TOWN

Enjoy some time at leisure this morning before flying to beautiful Cape Town.

Breakfast

### Day 7 CAPE TOWN

Today, enjoy a full day of sightseeing, starting with a CABLE-CAR RIDE (weather permitting) up Table Mountain for stunning views of the city and its surroundings. Next, visit Boulders Beach where you will see a COLONY OF ENDANGERED AFRICAN PENGUINS, known for the unique sound they make. After free time for lunch,

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. On your return journey back to Cape Town, skirt the rocky coastline as you ascend Chapman's Peak Drive, one of the most spectacular drives in the world. Enjoy the evening at your leisure.

Breakfast

### Day 8 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 9 CAPE TOWN-VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE

Today, leave South Africa and fly north to Zimbabwe. This evening, enjoy a CRUISE on the Zambezi River, which affords you a great opportunity to photograph wildlife and a spectacular African sunset!

Breakfast

### **Day 10 VICTORIA FALLS**

Today, visit mighty VICTORIA FALLS for an awe-inspiring experience. Enjoy a GUIDED WALK, where you will learn the history of the falls and hear

fascinating details about the surrounding flora and fauna.

## Day 11 VICTORIA FALLS-JOHANNESBURG-DEPARTURE

Your tour ends with a flight back to Johannesburg to connect with your homebound flight. Book homebound flights after 5:30 pm.

Breakfast

All game viewing is done at your own risk. We will require a signed liability waiver prior to travel. We do not recommend this vacation to people with serious back problems, as it can be quite rough while driving on/off game park trails.

#### Meals

10 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 3 dinners

# **Hotels**

# **Johannesburg**



**Garden Court Sandton City** 

Garden Court Sandton City is ideally situated in Johannesburg's northern suburbs. Urban design creates an informal and relaxed atmosphere while the staff provide outstanding service. An outdoor swimming pool and bar make for great areas to rest after a day of sightseeing.

## **Kruger National Park Area**



### **Protea Hotel by Marriott Kruger Gate**

The wonders of the African Bushveld abound at this peaceful haven that is reminiscent of a treehouse, with elevated walkways that reveal native bird habitats. Amenities include two restaurants, an outdoor pool, fitness center, and more.

# Cape Town



### **SunSquare Cape Town Gardens**

"Situated near the Cape Town city bowl in the lush suburb of Gardens, the beautifully renovated SunSquare Cape Town Gardens hotel offers guests a contemporary hideaway. The hotel's 136 well-appointed rooms are equipped with a host of amenities including air-conditioning and free Wi-Fi. The hotel also offers a gym and an inviting outdoor pool."

# Victoria Falls



The Kingdom at Victoria Falls

The Kingdom at Victoria falls is situated within the Victoria Falls National Park where game, ranging from Warthog to Elephant roam freely. Its distinctive architectural design is based on the great Zimbabwe monument. A unique water feature in the form of a man made lake gives inward facing rooms the impression of having been built on the edge of the lake.

# **Excursions (extra charge)**

# **Cape Town**

### **Cape Winelands**

Sample wine and explore the picturesque valleys and vineyards in the beautiful Cape Winelands outside of Cape Town.

Price Range: \$\$

# **Cape Malay Cooking Safari**

Visit the historic Bo-Kaap, or Cape Malay area, where you will learn about the culture and visit a local home for a cooking class.

Price Range: \$\$

# **Victoria Falls**

### Game Drive in Victoria Falls Private Game Reserve

Journey to Victoria Falls Private Game Reserve for an exciting game drive.

Price Range: \$\$\$\$

## **Helicopter Flight Over Victoria Falls**

Take to the sky for great views of Victoria Falls.

Price Range: \$\$\$\$

# **Village Visit**

Visit a rural village for fascinating interactions with the local people and gain an insight into their life and culture.

Price Range: \$\$

#### **Home Hosted Dinner**

Join a local family for dinner and fascinating conversation all while learning about the local culture and traditions. Price Range: \$

#### **Dates and Prices**

Find the vacation dates that work for you, click "Reserve Now" for a vacation quote. You'll be able to select the number of people traveling, add Travel Protection, and also get an air-inclusive vacation price. You'll find we offer competitive and hassle-free air-inclusive vacations where you receive free airport transfers and flights coordinated with vacation dates.

The price listed does not include your airfare, taxes or fees. Once you click "Reserve Now", you will be able to receive an air quote and a final vacation quote.

Prices are per person, based on double occupancy.

	1/18/2020	1/28/2020 \$2,699
	2/15/2020	2/25/2020 \$2,759
	3/14/2020	3/24/2020 \$2,699
	4/18/2020	4/28/2020 \$2,599
Popular Departure	5/16/2020	5/26/2020 \$2,599
Popular Departure	6/20/2020	6/30/2020 \$2,599
	7/11/2020	7/21/2020 \$2,599
	8/15/2020	8/25/2020 \$2,599
Popular Departure	9/12/2020	9/22/2020 \$2,669
Popular Departure	10/10/2020	10/20/2020\$2,729
	11/7/2020	11/17/2020\$2,729
	11/28/2020	12/8/2020 \$2,729
	1/16/2021	1/26/2021 \$2,889
	2/13/2021	2/23/2021 \$2,939
	3/13/2021	3/23/2021 \$2,889

#### Dates & Prices above do not include air travel.

Gratuities for Tour Director, driver, and Local guides are available for pre-purchase on the base vacation. For vacations that include an extension to the base, pre-paid gratuities only include the base portion. Any additional gratuities would need to be paid on trip.

Triple Rooms are not available.

#### Extra Nights per person in Johannesburg:

in single room \$117; in twin room \$67

### **Extra Nights per person in Cape Town:**

January, March & September-November: in single room \$159; in twin room \$94

February: in single room \$193; in twin room \$110 April-August: in single room \$121; in twin room \$71

2021 prices and itineraries are subject to change. Details will be available in July 2020.

### **AIRPORT TRANSFERS & EXTRA NIGHTS**

<u>View details</u> and pricing on airport transfer times and extra nights. Learn more about what's included with your vacation and how you can personalize it.