



# BEST OF SOUTH AFRICA

WITH VICTORIA FALLS AND HWANGE NATIONAL PARK



**PREMIUM ESCORTED TOUR**  
**FULLY ESCORTED FROM TASMANIA**  
**18 day tour | 15 AUGUST 2019**



**Escorted by Ruth Moon**

Join Ruth, an avid Africa traveller and enthusiast, as she takes you on a spectacular journey through South Africa and Zimbabwe.

**TOUR HIGHLIGHTS...**

- Discover Cape Town, including Table Mountain, Robben Island, Cape of Good Hope, and a winery tour
- Absorb the beauty of the Garden Route including Knysna, one of South Africa's most popular holiday destinations
- Adventure awaits on safari in a private reserve located between the world-renowned Greater Kruger National Park and the Blyde River Canyon Nature Reserve
- Marvel at natural wonders as you wind along the picturesque 'Panorama Route', and peer through 'God's Window'
- Explore Victoria Falls, the largest waterfall in the world
- Enjoy 3 nights in a remote region of Hwange National Park, one of the best wildlife viewing areas

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**THURSDAY 15 AUGUST  
TASMANIA - CAPE TOWN**

Today we depart Tasmania and arrive into Cape Town late in the afternoon. We will be met at the airport by our guide, and transferred to our hotel for an evening at leisure.



**FRIDAY 16 AUGUST B,D  
CAPE TOWN**

Today we will be taken on a trip up Table Mountain, and tours of the city & Robben Island. Table Mountain, an icon in Cape Town, is most likely the most photographed landmark in the country. One of the seven wonders of nature, Table Mountain attracts millions of visitors from all across the globe. We explore South Africa's exciting 'Mother City' on this guided tour of the historical and cultural sights of Cape Town. We will then make our way to the Nelson Mandela Gateway at the V&A Waterfront and head to one of the most famous prisons in the world, Robben Island. This is where South Africa's father of the nation (Nelson Mandela) spent 18 years. The tour guides inside the prison are former political prisoners, and their knowledge of this island is unparalleled and adds a unique cultural layer to this experience. This tour culminates with a viewing of Nelson Mandela's cell. This afternoon we will travel back to Cape Town.

**SATURDAY 17 AUGUST B,L  
CAPE TOWN**

Today, we experience a different part of the Cape on a peninsula and winery tour. We drive along the famous scenic Chapman's Peak Drive, known as "Chappies" to the locals. This route stretches nine kilometres along the coast taking over 100 curves in a road carved out by prisoners of war in the mid-1910s over a seven-year period. On the one side are towering cliffs and on the other a steep drop to the ocean. From Chapman's Peak, we make our way to the famous Cape of Good Hope nature reserve, a World Heritage site. Here we will stroll along the cliff paths and venture down the steep slopes to the stunning white-sand beaches below. The reserve is home to a variety of small wildlife and is a favoured picnicking and hiking destination with its rich plant biodiversity and inspiring

landscapes. The Flying Dutchman Funicular will take us uphill from the Cape Point Nature Reserve (a Natural World Heritage Site) to the old lighthouse sited at 249m overlooking the Atlantic Ocean. We will then make our way to the sheltered Boulders Beach, home to an endangered land-based colony of African penguins (over 2 000 of them), as well as a favourite swimming and beach destination. One can walk between the three pristine and sheltered beaches on boardwalks, which also link the penguin-viewing area, offering fantastic sightings of these unique and endearing animals in their natural habitat.

This afternoon we embark on a journey to South Africa's leading wine region of Stellenbosch, a historical town with an elegant mix of Cape Dutch, Georgian, and Victorian buildings. Traversing stunning landscapes, we stop along the way for wine tasting at prestigious estates, sampling quality white, reds, blends, and bubbly!

**SUNDAY 18 AUGUST B,L  
CAPE TOWN - OUDTSHOORN**

This morning we leave Cape Town and travel overland to Oudtshoorn. En route, we will visit Safari Ostrich Farm for a late afternoon lunch. The Safari Ostrich Farm was established in 1956 in the ostrich capital of the world. Oudtshoorn finds itself along the celebrated Garden Route region, where natural beauty is simply awe-inspiring. At the farm, we will see the inner workings of an ostrich farm. The Safari Ostrich Farm also offers a shop that sells a wide range of elegant and well crafted ostrich leather products including handbags, ladies purses, belts and wallets.



**MONDAY 19 AUGUST B,D  
OUDTSHOORN - KNYSNA**

This morning we will enjoy a Meerkat Tour. De Zeekoe offers Meerkat interactions that will delight! We will start our tour as the African sun rises and the Meerkats come out of their burrows, soak up the first rays, and start their days of foraging and frolicking. The Meerkats are never fed or handled by humans. Guests will be given a cup of coffee and a chair to sit

and observe these curious creatures. The Meerkat is part of Africa's Shy Five which also includes the bat-eared fox, the armadillo, the porcupine and the aardwolf. This afternoon we will continue onto the quaint little town of Knysna, one of South Africa's most popular holiday destinations.

**TUESDAY 20 AUGUST B  
KNYSNA**

After breakfast in our hotel, we will make our way to Monkeyland! Monkeyland, the world's first free-roaming multi-species primate sanctuary, is situated near Plettenberg Bay and offers tours (also known as monkey safaris), during which you will see more than 550 primates comprising of capuchin monkeys, ringtail and black-and-white ruffed lemurs, saki monkeys, squirrel monkeys, vervet monkeys, 2 species of langur, howler monkeys, gibbons, etc in their forest home. We will also experience a suspended canopy walk through the trees. We will then take a short drive to Birds of Eden, a unique two hectare dome (the world's largest) spanning over a gorge of indigenous forest. Currently it is home to over 3,500 birds from over 220 species, with the main focus being African birds. This evening we will head back to our hotel.

**WEDNESDAY 21 AUGUST B,D  
KNYSNA - PORT ELIZABETH**

This morning we leave Knysna for Port Elizabeth, with a stop at Tsitsikamma National Park en route. The Storms River Mouth in Tsitsikamma forms part of the Garden Route National Park. This is one of South Africa's most diverse and protected natural areas that is a narrow band of about 150 kilometres along the South Cape Coast. There are rich marine protected areas, deep gorges, rock pools and waterfalls; it's pure and natural nirvana. One of the many highlights in this area is the 77m long suspension bridge that crosses the Storms River Mouth. This bridge has striking gorge views and leads to a path that takes you to a popular lookout point. This suspension bridge sways a little in the wind and is an exhilarating experience.

**THURSDAY 22 AUGUST B,L,D  
PORT ELIZABETH - HOEDSPRUIT**

This morning we will be transferred to Port Elizabeth Airport for our onward flight to Hoedspruit, where we will be met and transferred to Blue Canyon Conservancy. The Blue Canyon Game Conservancy is located between the Greater Kruger National Park and the

Blyde River Canyon Nature Reserve. All animals of the great African wilderness can be seen here, from lions to elephants, hyenas to rhinos, not to mention Giraffes, Zebra, Wildebeest, Warthog, impala, kudu, eland and Nyala. The Blue Canyon Conservancy's landmark is the magnificent silhouette of the Drakensberg mountains - spectacular, especially at sunset, occasionally accompanied by packs of wild dogs, one of the rarest and most exciting sightings of what is perhaps the most effective predator of the savanna. While staying at Moditlo River Lodge two game drives are included daily. Many other optional excursions are also available including full and half day safaris into Kruger National Park and balloon sunrise flights.

[Bordering the scenic banks of the Nbesi River, Moditlo River Lodge sits at the heart of the Blue Canyon Conservancy. Moditlo means 'place of the elephant' and the 16-bedroom lodge was designed to combine the rustic nature of a bushveld retreat with the style and elegance you'd expect of a first rate safari destination.](#)



**FRIDAY 23 AUGUST** B,L,D  
**HOEDSPRUIT**  
Morning and afternoon game drives.

**SATURDAY 24 AUGUST** B,L,D  
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Morning and afternoon game drives.

**SUNDAY 25 AUGUST** B,L,D  
**HOEDSPRUIT - HAZYVIEW**  
This morning we transfer from Moditlo River Lodge to Hippo Hollow Country Estate, overlooking the Sabie River. We will drive via the beautiful Panorama Route. We explore one of South Africa's most picturesque routes with an experienced guide as we take a tour of the area's many natural wonders. We will see The Pinnacle Rock towering 30m above the forest as well as God's Window (pictured), one of South Africa's most famous vantage points (on clear days you can see as far as Mozambique). View the Blyde River Canyon and the Three Rondavels, massive spirals of dolomite that rise from the far wall of the canyon. Other highlights include the spectacular

Lisbon Falls and unusual rock formations of Bourke's Luck Potholes. There's a chance to explore the colourful craft markets en-route.

**MONDAY 26 AUGUST** B,D  
**HAZYVIEW - VICTORIA FALLS**  
Today we will transfer to Kruger Moomalanga International Airport for our flight to Victoria Falls.

**TUESDAY 27 AUGUST** B  
**VICTORIA FALLS**  
This morning we will be taken on a tour of the worlds largest waterfall Victoria Falls, one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the world. The afternoon is free to participate in one of many of the optional activities on offer before we take a relaxing sunset cruise on the Zambezi River.

**WEDNESDAY 28 AUGUST** B,L,D  
**VICTORIA FALLS - HWANGE NAT PARK**  
This morning we will be transferred by land to the eastern side of Hwange National Park. Here we will be guests at Verney's Camp. Bordering Botswana, Hwange National Park is Zimbabwe's largest nature reserve covering an area of 14,600 square kilometres. Situated in a private concession, Verney's is in one of the best wildlife areas of Hwange and cannot be accessed by regular park visitors which provides guests with a true African wilderness experience. We will have two full days to enjoy the camp activities including 4WD game safaris.

[Opened in May 2018, Verney's Camp's ten tents are tucked perfectly under the shady arms of the teak trees bordering the waterhole in front of the camp.](#)



[The waterhole plays host to numerous animals including the famous elephant herds of Hwange. Each tent has been carefully positioned to ensure the best serenity and privacy so that guests can enjoy the natural beauty of the area. The tents, with private ensuite, are beautifully designed to retain the authenticity and magical feeling of being on safari.](#)

**THURSDAY 29 AUGUST** B,L,D  
**HWANGE NATIONAL PARK**  
Today we will enjoy morning and afternoon park activities.

**FRIDAY 30 AUGUST** B,L,D  
**HWANGE NATIONAL PARK**  
Today we will enjoy morning and afternoon park activities.

**SUNDAY 31 AUGUST** B,L  
**HWANGE NAT PARK - DEPART AFRICA**  
This morning we will depart Hwange National Park towards Victoria Falls, and say goodbye to Africa as we embark on our journey home.

**MONDAY 1 SEPTEMBER**  
**ARRIVE HOME**  
Today we arrive home and say goodbye to our new found friends.



## TOUR PRICE

**Twin Share \$13980\*pp ex Tasmania**

**Single Supplement \$2210\***

(Limited availability)

While this pricing is current as of October 2018, fluctuating fuel surcharges, currency exchange rates and taxes may result in an increased cost. Available business and mixed class airfare upgrades available, as well cabin upgrades. Price on application.

## INCLUDED IN THE TOUR COST

- Accommodation as per the itinerary
- International flights & ticket taxes (subject to change and subject to availability at the time of booking.)
- Meals as mentioned in the itinerary
- All airport transfers
- Transportation throughout
- Local English speaking driver/guides
- Game activities as per the itinerary
- Sightseeing as mentioned in the itinerary
- Entrance and park fees
- Tourism levies where applicable
- Zimbabwe Visa
- Gratuities

## NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR COST

- Drinks unless otherwise mentioned
- Travel Insurance
- Innoculations
- Items of a personal nature



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## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

**TOUR PAYMENTS** A non-refundable deposit of \$2500 per person is payable within 7 days of booking. The balance of payment is due not later than 16 May 2019.

**CANCELLATIONS** Cancellations fees apply. Cancellation fees may also apply to any additional services, reserved prior to, during and after the tour. Notice of all cancellations must be made in writing to Andrew Jones Travel on or before final payment due date 16 May 2019. All deposits and interim payments are non-refundable. After final payment due date: 100% of total price. Cancellation fees also apply to any additional services, reserved prior to, during and after the vacation. If flight changes, including flight cancellations, are requested, revision fees or airline cancellation fees will apply. Andrew Jones Travel Pty. Ltd. and the carriers, accommodations, and other suppliers providing tour services shall all be known as the 'Operators' and reserve the right to cancel or re-schedule any vacation departure. If cancellation is made prior to departure of the tour, the only responsibility of the Operators will be to refund to the passenger the amount we have received for the reservation. We will try to re-book the same vacation with a different departure date, or a similar tour. Where the Operators have confirmed flights, we will try to confirm air seats for the selected new dates, subject to availability. The Operators cannot assume responsibility for any additional costs or any fees relating to the issuance and/or cancellation of air tickets or other travel arrangements.

**REVISION FEES** A fee of \$150 per transaction will be charged for any alteration or revision made to a reservation, plus any additional costs from tour operator, designated airline and all other operators and carriers. Airline penalties may also apply. A change to traveller name, vacation date or tour itinerary at any time will be treated as a cancellation and new reservation; standard cancellation fees apply.

**PARTICIPATION** For the benefit of everyone on your holiday, the Operators reserve the right to accept or reject any person as a holiday participant, and to remove from the tour any participant whose conduct is deemed incompatible with the interests of the other participants.

**TRAVELLERS WHO NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE** You must report any disability requiring special attention to Andrew Jones Travel at the time the reservation is made. All travellers must be able to handle their own suitcase. The Operators will make reasonable attempts to accommodate the special needs of disabled travellers, but is not responsible in the event it is unable to do so, nor is it responsible for any denial of services by carriers, hotels, restaurants, or other independent suppliers. Most transportation services, including the touring motor coach, are not equipped with wheelchair ramps. We regret that we cannot provide individual assistance to a tour participant for walking, dining, getting on and off motor coaches and other vehicles, or other personal needs. A qualified and physically able companion must accompany travellers who need such assistance, and must assume total responsibility for the handicapped participants well-being. Motorised scooters are unsuitable for touring vacations in this brochure.

**SMOKING** Smoking is not allowed on transportation or accommodations.

**PRICE GUARANTEE** Air tickets booked via Andrew Jones Travel are guaranteed when we receive full payment. This does not include any Government/airport tax increases and currency fluctuations. Vacation prices are per person, based on two persons sharing a room. Single room supplements are listed where applicable.

**ACCOMMODATIONS** The accommodations listed in this brochure are intended to be used on this departure; however, if a change becomes necessary for any reason, the accommodations substituted will be equivalent in standard to those shown. Every effort is made to reserve your preferred room request. It may occasionally happen that an accommodation provides some double-bedded or twin-bedded rooms, as room configuration is at the discretion of individual hotels. Please note that accommodation check-in times vary worldwide. Paying for a single supplement ensures own room, not necessarily a twin bedded or double bedded room.

**BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE** Due to limited coach capacity, this single bag should have dimensions not exceeding 76x53x28cm (30x21x11") and weight not exceeding 20kg (44 lbs) or less if your air carrier has stricter weight/dimension limitations. We regret we are unable to accept a second suitcase, or any luggage exceeding these limits. We recommend you consult your air carrier as size and weight limitations vary from airline to airline and even according to destination, and are becoming more restrictive. The Operators are not responsible for additional fees imposed by air carriers. Regulations within most airports require that travellers handle their own luggage through customs.

Your carry-on bag should not exceed the dimensions of 30x28x14cm (12x11x6"). For safety reasons wheeled carry-on bags will not be accepted. Further restrictions apply on safari aircraft.

No responsibility is accepted for loss of or damage to baggage or any of the tour participant's belongings. Baggage insurance is recommended.

**DINING** A restaurant or date of a dinner may be substituted at any time due to reasons beyond the Operators' control.

**NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR PRICE** Airport taxes which are payable directly at the airport: passports; and vaccinations, tips to local city guides or staff; laundry, telephone, mini bar, alcohol beverages and food not on the regular table d'hote menu (these extra items will be billed to you before leaving the hotel or restaurant); optional excursions; travel insurance, excess baggage fees; all other items of a personal nature.

**HOLIDAYS** During local or national holidays, certain facilities such as museums and restaurants, sightseeing tours and shopping may be limited or not available. Alternatives will be offered whenever possible.

**SAFETY** Please be aware that during your participation in vacations operated by the Operators, certain risks and dangers may arise beyond our control including, but not limited to, the hazards of travelling in undeveloped areas; travel by boat, train, automobile, aircraft or other means of transportation; the forces of nature, political unrest and accident or illness in remote regions without means of rapid evacuation or medical facilities. The Operators will not have liability regarding provision of medical care or the adequacy of any care that may be rendered. It is understood that the Operators will use its best efforts to ensure that adequate measures are taken.

**TRAVEL INSURANCE** Passengers are strongly advised to take out travel insurance to cover any unforeseen circumstances which may arise (including, but not limited to; cancellation fees, loss of luggage, early return following death of a relative as defined in the respective proposal forms). We recommend passengers investigate all Department of Foreign Affairs warnings regarding the safety of travelling to certain destinations. The Operators will not be held liable for any act of government, terrorism, revolution or other act. The Operators reserve the right to cancel the tour at any stage due to an act of government or terrorism. Andrew Jones Travel strongly recommends that you obtain travel insurance upon first deposit, as deposits are non-refundable.

**PASSPORTS AND VISAS** All passengers must have a valid passport with at least 6 months validity from return date. It is the responsibility of each passenger to ensure any applicable visas for all countries visited have been obtained prior to departure. Failure to obtain correct documentation will mean the passenger will be unable to participate in particular shore excursions and may be denied boarding and/or entry into certain countries. Meeting necessary passport and visa entry requirements and costs is the sole responsibility of passengers.

**TOUR ESCORT** The inclusion of an Andrew Jones Travel tour escort is subject to minimum passenger numbers. A substitute tour escort may be used without notice if unforeseen circumstances arise.

\* Conditions apply. Price is per person, twin share. Price is correct at time of publication October 2018 but may fluctuate due to changes in taxes, charges, surcharges and currency. Airfare included is based on a group airfare and all passengers will need to fly on these flights, dates and destination only. Price does not include taxes imposed directly by third parties. Tour is subject to availability and terms and conditions as listed. Minimum tour numbers apply, see booking conditions for more details. A service fee and credit card surcharge will apply.