
South Africa - Whales, Wine, Cape Town & Safari

10 Nights, 3 on Safari | 4 Rounds

Spend a week exploring the sights of the Cape, including Cape Town, the Cape Winelands and the Whale Coast. These 3 wonderful areas give you unique experiences each day. Easily add additional golf and special touring activities with the assistance of your private guide before heading North to MalaMala Game Reserve, one of the largest private Big Five game reserves in South Africa. It covers 13 300ha (33 000 acres), shares a 12-mile unfenced boundary with the world-renowned Kruger National Park and lies strategically sandwiched between the Kruger and the Sabi Sand Reserve.

Saturday, January 1

This evening depart the United States.

Sunday, January 2

On arrival in Cape Town, you will be met by your private guide who will assist you to the vehicle for the short transfer to the Victoria and Alfred Waterfront.

Your guide will be with you for the Cape & Winelands portion of the trip, with the safari rangers at Jock taking care of your activities in the Kruger.

Sightseeing Suggestion: The Waterfront - Situated between Robben Island and Table Mountain in the heart of Cape Town's working harbour, the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront has become South Africa's most visited destination. Set against a backdrop of magnificent sea and mountain views, exciting shopping and entertainment venues are intermingled with imaginative office locations, world-class hotels and luxury apartments in the residential marina.

On arrival at Cape Town Airport, you will be met by our VIP arrival assistant at the exit ramp of your aircraft. They will assist you through Immigration and Luggage Claims to your driver in the arrivals hall. If your schedule requires an additional internal connecting flight, you will be helped with check-in to that flight and you will be met by your driver after luggage claim in the arrivals hall of your second stop.

OVERNIGHT: **Cape Grace by Fairmont** - 2 Luxury Room

Monday, January 3

Play today at **Steenberg (tbc)**. An 18 hole championship course designed by Peter Matkovich; a backdrop of vineyards, gardens, forests and mountains provides the setting for this beautiful exclusive course. The course is always in excellent condition with bent grass greens and lush fairways. Steenberg offers you the opportunity of

excellent golf within the historic setting of one of the Cape's oldest wine farms. Dating back to 1682 the vineyards have been replanted and 140 acres are now under vines.

Sightseeing Inclusion: Historic Cape Town & Table Mountain.

Depart the city for the Lower Cableway Station to board the revolving cable car for a 5-minute ride to the top of Table Mountain. 1036 meters above sea level, it affords bird's-eye views of both city and Peninsula as you walk its summit (weather permitting). Return to the city via the old Cape Malay Quarter, for a walk through the Company Gardens, the fresh produce gardens for ships and locals from the mid 17th Century and today, home to the SA Museum, Cultural History Museum, Houses of Parliament, National Gallery and St George's Cathedral. Stroll through the city to Greenmarket Square to browse African mementos at its bustling market stalls.

Explore other areas of personal interest such as art galleries, restaurants or enjoy added R&R time in Camps Bay or on the beach at Clifton. Your guide will discuss finer items directly with you.

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Tuesday, January 4

Play today at **Royal Cape (tbc)**, the oldest golf club in Africa (1895) which has hosted the South African Open no less than ten times and the SA Amateur Championships eight times. The most recent SA Open held here was in 1996 and was won by Ernie Els. Essentially it is a very flat parkland course, it is always well maintained and a pleasure to play, with lovely views of the surrounding mountains. But don't be deceived by its apparent easiness. The fairways are narrow, demanding extreme accuracy off the tee, wayward shots can be heavily penalized amongst the trees and the greens are well bunkered, especially in the prominent South-Westerly wind, locally referred to as the Cape Doctor.

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Wednesday, January 5

Depart Cape Town for Hermanus, stopping in at Arabella for golf. (drive time 1h30)

Sightseeing Inclusion: Cape Peninsula Tour.

Depart the city along the spectacular Atlantic Seaboard, en route to the fishing village of Hout Bay to explore the harbour, visiting its fish markets and shops. Continue over the 600m heights of Chapman's Peak Drive, one of the world's most breath-taking passes and past the Cape's longest beach, with a chance to spot Southern Right Whales just offshore from June to November.

Enter the Cape of Good Hope National Park for a walk (or optional funicular ride) up to the Cape Point Lighthouse, to take in magical ocean vistas at this, the south westernmost point of Africa. Head along the False Bay coast to Boulders Beach near Simonstown to see a colony of African Penguins and then continue past the seaside resorts of

False Bay, towards the city. The last stop of the day is Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens, for a walk through one of the largest collections of indigenous plants in the world.

Tour Highlights include: Hout Bay Harbour * Chapman's Peak Drive * Cape of Good Hope National Park and Cape Point * Visit to Penguins at Boulders Beach * Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens * A lunch stop will be made en route and is included in the cost.

OVERNIGHT: **Marine Hermanus** - 2 Double

Thursday, January 6

Enjoy the day enjoying the Hermanus Region. You can book a whale and shark boat trip, explore the Hemel en Aarde Valley, widely acknowledged as the Pinot Noir capital of South Africa, or add golf at the lovely Hermanus Golf Course.

Today play **Arabella (tbc)**. Ranked no. 5 in South Africa in 2005, Arabella is perfectly designed to exploit its unique position alongside the largest natural lagoon in Southern Africa. The 8th, 9th, 17th and 18th holes run parallel to the lagoon, proving a truly memorable experience. Choosing a signature hole proves to be an extremely difficult task as all of the holes are well designed with spectacular views. The course is the host course to the Nelson Mandela Invitational, Africa's premier Pro-am Charity Event. (cart fee included)

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Friday, January 7

Sightseeing Inclusion: Full day wine touring in the Cape Winelands. Exact touring routes will be decided by the guide based on the specific interests in the group and the hotel starting point.

Regular Tour Highlights include: Cellar tour * Wine Tasting (at least 2 wineries) * Stellenbosch, town of oaks * Boschendal historic manor house * Franschhoek Valley * Paarl. A lunch stop will be made en route and is included in the cost.

OVERNIGHT: **Lanzerac Hotel** - 2 Luxury Room

Saturday, January 8

Play today at **Pearl Valley (tbc)**. Set in the famous Franschhoek Wine region, this new Jack Nicklaus Signature Course is a treat to play. Pearl Valley is probably in the top conditioned course in South Africa. As with many Nicklaus courses, water on the right with plenty of sand, will keep the golfers mind off the wide landing areas provided. Also a new development, the course and its geographical location allow for guests to enjoy a day outing in the Winelands with high quality golf to compliment the food and wine. A second course, 'Bears Best' will be built shortly on the same property. (cart fee included)

OVERNIGHT: **Lanzerac Hotel** - 2 Luxury Room

Sunday, January 9

Today is a travel day between regions. The exact route, timing, transport options and additional touring ideas will be planned with your PerryGolf Travel Expert.

After breakfast, transfer to Cape Town Airport for your flight to Skukuza

You will be met on arrival and will transfer to the lodge, early mid-afternoon, in time for a light lunch and orientation before heading into the bush for your first safari drive.

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Monday, January 10

Enjoy a full day on safari in the care of your safari lodge rangers.

The average summer schedule is:

5:00 am: Wake up call & early morning coffee.

5:30 am: Morning Safari Drive commences.

9:00 am: Breakfast back at the lodge.

10:00 am: Bush walk (if available) / spa treatments.

1:00 am: Lunch is served.

2:00 am: R&R / Siesta or spa time.

3.30 am: Afternoon tea.

4:00 am: Evening Safari Drive commences.

7:30 am: Return for drinks around the campfire.

8:00 am: Dinner is served.

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Tuesday, January 11

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Enjoy a second full day of activities at MalaMala.

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Wednesday, January 12

Depart South Africa from the Johannesburg Airport.

Your Lodging

Cape Grace by Fairmont

Standing at the heart of the V&A Waterfront is a figure that evokes familiarity, comfort and a sense of adventure – Cape Grace is a timeless presence. With rooms gazing out onto the harbour, marina, or the majestic silhouette of Table Mountain, this grand hotel feels as if it has always been part of the landscape. Every visit, even the first, truly feels like a homecoming.

From the warm and personal check-in process to the convenience of our complimentary chauffeured drives, each step is an opportunity for us to connect with our guests. Our personalized room experience envelops you in warmth, infusing your stay with an abundance of thoughtful amenities and heartfelt gestures. Uniquely situated in the heart of the city, our serene spa and gym spaces and exclusive pool exude an intimate atmosphere akin to a private retreat.

Each one of our culinary expressions take place in exquisite settings that enhance our guests' unique dining experiences. Elegantly served alongside a curated wine list, our Restaurant menu pays homage to both classic and innovative culinary traditions. Whether you seek solace with a compelling book, engaging conversation, or joining us for Afternoon Tea, our enchanting Library Lounge serves a sanctuary for both the connoisseur and the curious.

End your day at Cape Grace's iconic Bascule Bar; a beloved rendezvous for sundowners, served alongside gorgeous marina views, and its renowned collection of wines and whiskies from around the world.

Marine Hermanus

The Marine is one of the southern hemisphere's most spectacular seaside properties. Perched on the cliffs, overlooking Hermanus' Walker Bay, The Marine boasts 40 individually decorated bedrooms and suites. This unforgettable property overlooks South Africa's most pristine whale sanctuary, and it is just a stone's throw from one of the greatest densities of the endangered Great White Shark, and selection of fynbos species in the Cape. The Marine offers guests the unique opportunity to experience the finest land-based whale watching in the world. From June to November guests are able to view these majestic creatures from the comfort of their beautiful sea view room.

Lanzerac Hotel

Situated on the outskirts of the historic town of Stellenbosch, the Lanzerac Estate is a 300 year old private working wine estate in the Jonkershoek Valley. The hotel's rooms, restaurants, bars, lounges and spa facilities are amidst dramatic mountain ranges, endless rows of lush vineyards and hectares of award-winning landscaped gardens. Lanzerac offers unprecedented world-class hospitality and outstanding service. The Lanzerac Hotel is exclusively limited to forty-eight en suite rooms that are individually decorated and all feature a private patio and breathtaking views. Elegant private restaurants featuring open fireplaces and original antiques form part of the estate. On offer is a broad menu of local and international cuisine, accompanied by award-winning wines. Epicureans can indulge in a kaleidoscope of dishes, from local fare to the most delectable international cuisine. The Lanzerac Spa & Wellness

Centre offers the perfect retreat, where one can escape the hustle and bustle of everyday life and take time out to rejuvenate the mind, body and soul.

Ratray's on MalaMala

Ratray's on MalaMala offers a glimpse of an era long past when distant travellers to Africa married the magic of the wild with an elegance and refinement that have been immortalized in the epic tale of Karen Blixen in "Out of Africa". The epitome of regal colonial safari-style, the newest addition to the MalaMala portfolio is a culmination of over 40 years of experience within the Ratray Family. Ratray's on MalaMala's bears the style of crystal and leather, with beautiful furnishings that are a treat to the connoisseur of the finer things in life, captured over generations on a land that remains as old as time. Each suite or khaya (Zulu for home) functions as an inclusive home, resplendent with hand-selected furnishings, lavish his-and-hers bathrooms, a secluded outdoor shower and a private heated plunge pool..