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## South Africa - Sun City, Safari & Cape Town

### 11 Nights, 4 on Safari | 4 Rounds

The iconic Gary Player Country Club, for years the host of the MILLION DOLLAR tournament, is the jewel around which this 11-night schedule is built. By linking the Sun City golf experience with the malaria-free, Big-5 Madikwe Safari Lodge, you will enjoy a full 5-star week in the heart of the African bush before heading to the cosmopolitan city of Cape Town. Once in the Cape your private guide will introduce you to Table Mountain, Cape Point, Robben Island and the Cape Winelands.

This trip is easily adaptable to run in either direction and combines well with Victoria Falls, Fancourt, Kruger or Botswana should you wish to extend your journey.

#### Saturday, January 1

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This evening depart the United States.

#### Sunday, January 2

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On arrival at Johannesburg 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: **Palace of the Lost City** - 2 Luxury Room

#### Monday, January 3

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Today play **The Lost City (tbc)**. The desert style design of the golf course has an exotic allure all of its own and designer, Gary Player has acknowledged it as one of his favorite courses. The Lost City Golf Course is flexible: playing off the forward tee a course length of 5953 meters, extending to 6 983 meters off the back tee. The course provides spectacular views of the Palace Hotel and the neighboring game reserve. The most hazardous area of the Lost City Golf Course is the 13th hole. Inhabiting the water hazard are 38 Nile crocodiles, some of them nearly 14 ft long. Playing the back nine is like going on a golf safari. It has often been noted that the game is more exciting when played downhill and this is certainly the case here. In addition to the previously mentioned 13th, holes eleven, fourteen, fifteen and sixteen are all played from elevated tees offering thrill, excitement and challenge to the golfer. And some of the most spectacular African views to be had on a golf course.

OVERNIGHT: **Palace of the Lost City** - 2 Luxury Room

#### Tuesday, January 4

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Today play **Gary Player Country Club (tbc)**. Arguably South Africa's most famous course courtesy of its status as

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host of the Nedbank Golf Challenge and its position as the Top ranked course for 5 years. Situated in the crater of an extinct Volcano, the course cuts through the African bush and flanks a nature reserve, for 16 holes. Thick kikuyu rough and impenetrable bush punishes the wayward shot, so come armed with a good swing and a better brain. The course is blessed with superb greens that have recently been rebuilt and modernized with the bunkers.

OVERNIGHT: **Palace of the Lost City** - 2 Luxury Room

### **Wednesday, January 5**

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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.

Transfer from Sun City to Madikwe (drive time 2h30).

Arrive in time for lunch and orientation, with time to freshen up before the evening safari activities.

OVERNIGHT: **Madikwe Safari Lodge** - 2 Suite

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### **Thursday, January 6**

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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.

OVERNIGHT: **Madikwe Safari Lodge** - 2 Suite

### **Friday, January 7**

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Enjoy a second day on safari at Madikwe.

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

OVERNIGHT: **Madikwe Safari Lodge** - 2 Suite

### **Saturday, January 8**

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Enjoy a 3rd full day on safari at Madikwe.

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

OVERNIGHT: **Madikwe Safari Lodge** - 2 Suite

### **Sunday, January 9**

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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.

Travel from Madikwe to Johannesburg this morning. There is an option of a private transfer (drive time 4h30) or a 1-hour charter flight from the lodge to Johannesburg Airport. (these costs are quoted separately.)

You will then connect to a commercial flight for the 2-hour trip to Cape Town.

Your private guide will meet you in Cape Town and transfer your hotel.

OVERNIGHT: **Table Bay Hotel** - 2 Luxury Room

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You will then connect to a commercial flight for the 2-hour trip to Cape Town.

Your private guide will meet you in Cape Town and transfer your hotel.

### **Monday, January 10**

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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 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.

OVERNIGHT: **Table Bay Hotel** - 2 Luxury Room

## **Tuesday, January 11**

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**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: **Table Bay Hotel** - 2 Luxury Room

## **Wednesday, January 12**

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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 it's 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)

**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.

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**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: **Table Bay Hotel** - 2 Luxury Room

### **Thursday, January 13**

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Depart South Africa from the Cape Town Airport.

Today is a free day to enjoy the area. Your travel expert will assist in planning additional activities that meet your interests and level of adventure.

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## Your Lodging

### Palace of the Lost City

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Sun City Resort is set in the stark ruggedness of the North West Region of South Africa, and is surrounded by mountains and the untamed majesty of the African bushveld. It is a wedge-shot away from the Pilanesberg National Park, where elephant, rhino, lion and antelope roam freely. The Palace of the Lost City is the premier hotel at the Sun City resort. It is one of the most enticing travelers' destinations in the world, a tribute to man's imagination and revered for its art and architecture. Fabled to be the royal residence of an ancient king, it is truly one of the 'Worlds Leading Hotels'. The Palace lavishes its guests with 5-star service, and is luxurious in every facet of its fabulous architecture and decor. Surrounding the hotel is a 25 hectare botanical jungle, threaded with meandering paths, cascades, lakes and pools and a variety of water-borne adventure rides.

### Madikwe Safari Lodge

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Madikwe Safari Lodge is situated in the heart of the richly diverse, malaria-free Madikwe Game Reserve, offering exceptional game viewing, simple yet sophisticated accommodation, superlative service and unique regional cuisine. Each suite features a sitting area, a bedroom with circular fireplace, a spacious dressing area with personal bar, an en suite bathroom with bath, indoor and outdoor shower and a private plunge pool. The rooms are organic in design and woven copper screens add intriguing detail. Overlooking Madikwe's game-filled plains, intimate sitting areas in all three camps feature shaded outdoor seating on expansive covered decks. There are plentiful fireplaces both inside and outdoors with pizza ovens for fun dining, book-filled libraries and a unique safari shop. A covered outdoor living room offers beanbags and cushions on the floor for casual relaxation. The nearby boma is the setting for evocative starlit dinners.

### Table Bay Hotel

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The Table Bay Hotel is a five-star, 329-room hotel and it uniquely responds to its magnificent surroundings. It has a maritime flavour that extends to each room and suite, which has sea or mountain views and is a luxurious port of call. The interior of the hotel presents a kaleidoscope of impressions, from the European marble mosaic of the entrance court to the intricate parquet floor of the foyer framed by the full-scale drama of Table Mountain, with the activity of the harbour in the foreground. Below the foyer to the south, is the grand lounge with its cathedral ceiling and twin fireplaces. The Table Bay is situated adjacent to the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront shopping and entertainment complex overlooking the Cape Town harbour and is five minutes from the city centre. A nearby dock, capable of accommodating an ocean liner, is at the threshold of the restaurant. The restaurant, has a private dining bay and Wine Cellar, and panoramic views of the mountain range and harbour. The hotel has a heated pool, well equipped gym and a health spa on site.