

SOUTH AFRICA

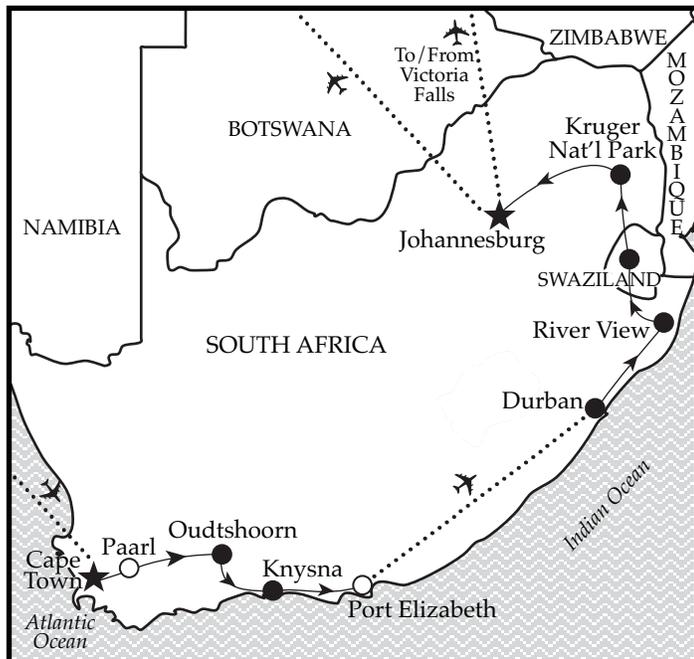
Odyssey plus Victoria Falls

On this tour we learn the glorious, as well as the shameful history of this beautiful and dynamic land and its people. On this comprehensive tour we see South Africa's grandeur and its wildlife and meet its diverse peoples. This tour goes beyond the highlights to give an in-depth exploration of all aspects of South Africa.

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PER PERSON PRICE:

\$6,868.00 Double Occupancy
 \$7,878.00 Single Occupancy

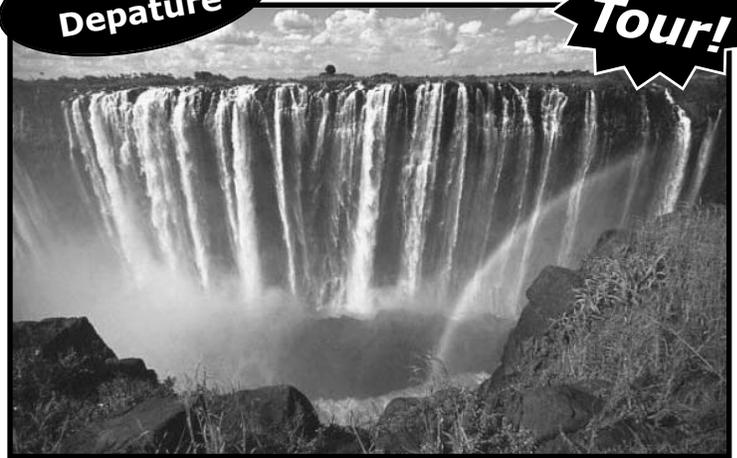


August 8 - 26, 2016

Second
Departure

19 Days

New
Tour!



Victoria Falls

DAY 4 FULL DAY CAPE PENINSULA TOUR B,D

We drive to Hout Bay Harbour for a close-up view of an authentic fishing village. Then we get out on the water for a **cruise to Seal Island** on a catamaran with a glass bottom to view the seals playing underwater. Then we drive south on the scenic Chapman's Peak Drive ("Chappies") coast road to the **Cape of Good Hope** where we take a funicular to the lighthouse, almost 1,000 feet above sea level. We drive through the **Cape Point Nature Reserve** to reach Cape Point where we take the Flying Dutchman Funicular to the top for panoramic views of the Atlantic Ocean. We enjoy Simon's Town's charming Victorian architecture and the surprising **penquin colony at nearby Boulder's Beach**. Finally we explore the diverse beauty of **Kirstenbosch National Botanical Garden** which is situated at the base of Cape Town's iconic Table Mountain.



DAY 5 WINE REGION / FARM SCHOOL B,D

We drive to nearby Paarl, an architectural jewel that serves as the historic heart of the country's wine region. Here we sample the fruit of the vine at **one of the many wineries**. We continue to Barrydale where we visit a **local farm school**, interact with the children and teachers, and learn about the local farming community. The school was built during the 1960s by the farmers in the area for the laborers' children. We travel through the "Little Karoo" to reach Oudtshoorn, the "Ostrich Capital of the World," where we lodge one night.

DAY 6 OSTRICH FARM / CANGO CAVES / KNYSNA B,D

The **Safari Ostrich Show Farm**, founded in 1956 by 4th-generation ostrich farmers, specializes in the breeding and well being of ostriches and has over 2,500 birds. We tour the farm, see the birds, and view its museum. At the nearby **Cango Caves** we go underground to see the vast caverns with majestic formations in one of Africa's finest and most popular tourist caves. We reach the coast to join the Garden Route and continue to Knysna, South Africa's most visually stunning resort town, where we lodge two nights.



DAY 1 DEPART U.S.A.

Overnight transatlantic flight.

DAY 2 ARRIVAL IN CAPE TOWN D

We arrive in Cape Town and transfer to our hotel where we lodge three nights.

DAY 3 CAPE TOWN TOUR B

After a relaxing morning to recover from our long flight we get acquainted with South Africa and Cape Town on a city tour. From **Signal Hill** we enjoy a phenomenal view of Cape Town's City Centre, the Atlantic Ocean, Lion's Head, and Table Mountain. We visit the **Bo Kaap Museum** and walk-about in the Bo Kaap neighborhood which is a multi-cultural area on the slopes of Signal Hill known for its brightly-colored homes and romantic cobblestoned streets. We also see the Company's Garden, a quiet oasis in the middle of Cape Town created in the 1650s, and the **District 6 Museum** where we learn about forced removals during the apartheid era.

South Africa's Garden Route

"High on the must-see lists of most visitors to South Africa is the Garden Route, and with good reason: you can't help but be seduced by the glorious natural beauty. The distance from Mossel Bay in the west to just beyond Plettenberg Bay in the east is under 300km, yet the range of topography, vegetation, wildlife, and outdoor activities is remarkable.

The coast is dotted with excellent beaches and indigenous forests, while inland you'll find picturesque lagoons and lakes, rolling hills and eventually the mountains of the Outeniqua and Tsitsikamma ranges that divide the Garden Route from the arid Little Karoo." – Lonely Planet

DAY 7 FEATHERBED NATURE RESERVE / FREE TIME B,L

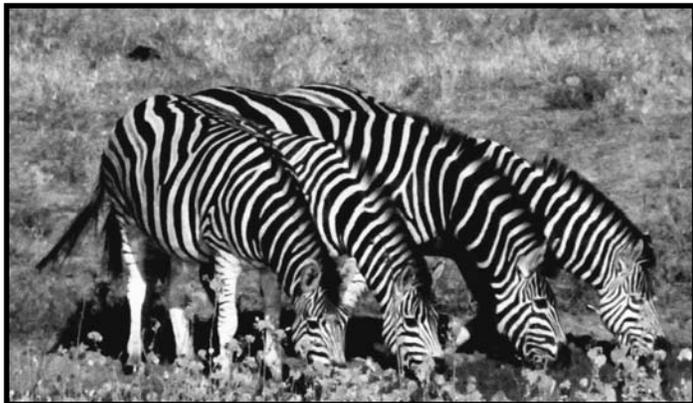
This morning we cruise across the Knysna Lagoon to the **Featherbed Nature Reserve**. Here we take a trailer ride to the top of the Western Head to enjoy panoramic views of the town and lagoon. Lunch is served under a canopy of milkwood trees. The afternoon is free time to explore charming Knysna which is situated around a natural harbor lagoon.

DAY 8 TSITSIKAMMA FOREST / FLY TO DURBAN B,D

We continue along the Garden Route to **Tsitsikamma National Park**, the "Garden of the Garden Route." It is covered in large tracts of indigenous forest, commercial plantation, deep river gorges, tannin colored waters, waterfalls, and Fynbos, a natural shrubland vegetation. When we reach Port Elizabeth we say farewell to our Western Cape guide and board a flight to the King Shaka Airport in Durban where we meet our eastern South Africa guide and lodge one night.

DAY 9 SHAKALAND ZULU VILLAGE B,L,D

We follow the coast northeast past sugar cane fields, Eucalyptus plantations, and Zulu kraals (traditional African villages of huts, typically enclosed by a fence) to reach the Zulu homestead of Shakaland. **Shakaland** is a living museum of the life and times of King Shaka, the most influential leader of the Zulu empire. Here we relive the excitement and romance of his time in this authentic recreation of the Great Kraal. We experience the sight of spear-wielding warriors, share the fascinating secrets of the Sangomas (traditional Zulu healers), witness traditional customs such as tribal dancing, spear making, and beer-drinking ceremonies, and partake in a delicious ethnic meal. We continue to our hotel located in the Greater Hluhluwe / Umfolozi Game Reserve area.



DAY 10 GAME DRIVE / SWAZILAND B,D

We drive into the **Hluhluwe / Umfolozi Game Reserve**, the oldest nature reserve in Africa, for a 3-hour game drive in an Open Safari Vehicle. The park is home to Africa's big five (elephant, rhinoceros, buffalo, lion, and leopard) as well as many other species like giraffe, jackal, hippo, cheetah, impala, etc. Due to its conservation efforts, the park now has the largest population of white rhinos in the world. The park has a diverse floral community and is home to 340 bird species. From the park we drive to the Kingdom of Swaziland where we lodge in the beautiful Ezulwini Valley.

DAY 11 SWAZILAND / KRUGER NATIONAL PARK B,D

We return to South Africa and continue to world-renowned **Kruger National Park** where we enjoy an afternoon game drive in an open safari vehicle. On all game drives in the park we explore the pristine wilderness with a highly-experienced ranger who will ensure optimal game viewing with his in-depth knowledge of the African bush. We lodge three nights just outside the park near Skukusa.

DAY 12 KRUGER NATIONAL PARK GAME DRIVES B,D

With both a morning and an afternoon game drive we see twice as many animals as we drive through Kruger National Park in open safari vehicles. The Park is one of the largest game reserves in Africa and has more species of large mammals (147) than any other. Commonly seen are: African buffalos, black & white rhinos, zebras, giraffes, greater kudus, hippos, leopards, lions, hyenas, elephants, waterbucks, wildebeest, impalas and many more. 517 species of birds have been seen in the park.



DAY 13 KRUGER PARK GAME DRIVE B,D

A morning game drive gives us one more chance to see the majestic (and comic) animals in the park that has some of the best game viewing in the world. This afternoon we visit the **Sizabantwana Children Care Centre** for a tour and a brief look into the lives of the centre's children. We meet the children and learn about their lives in a rural community. Then we return to our hotel to relax, or to join another game drive (at additional cost).

Using Electrical Appliances in Foreign Countries

- Electricity in the U.S. is 110 volts. In most other countries it is 220 volts.
- Unless your appliance is "dual voltage" you will need both a converter to reduce the voltage and an adaptor to plug it into the wall.
- There are different types of electrical converters for different types of appliances.
- Dual voltage appliances may still need an adaptor to plug it into the wall.



Some typical adaptor plugs

For information, adaptors & converters, check with



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883-8991



DAY 14 NATURAL WONDERS / JOHANNESBURG B,D

We travel through Mpumalanga Province along the "Panorama Route" which offers views of amazing scenery. "God's Window" is one of the Blyde River Canyon Nature Reserve's most spectacular viewpoints where the Drakenberg escarpment plunges down 2300-foot cliffs to the lush indigenous forest below. The Blyde River Canyon is one of the largest and steepest on earth. Here we also see Bourke's Luck Potholes where swirling water has eroded many cylindrical potholes. We continue to Johannesburg where we lodge two nights in the affluent suburb of Sandton.

DAY 15 JOHANNESBURG SIGHTSEEING B

Our guided sightseeing tour of Johannesburg begins with a view of the area from the "Top of Africa," a wrap-around viewing deck on the 50th story of the tallest building in Africa. In Soweto we learn about the life of Nelson Mandela in the Mandela House where he lived from 1946 to 1962. It's just up the road from the Tutu House, home of Archbishop Tutu. We also visit the entrance to Constitution Hill which was once a notorious prison but has been reborn as the site of South Africa's Constitutional Court. At the Apartheid Museum we learn about the rise and fall of apartheid in South Africa, a moving, informative and comprehensive experience.



DAY 16 VICTORIA FALLS B,D

We transfer to the Johannesburg airport for our 1¼ hour flight to Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe. Our hotel is located on the eastern edge of town, less than one mile from the Falls. After checking in we have some free time to explore the town and get a preview of the falls. Toward evening we take the Sundowner Cruise on the Zambezi River watching for hippos, crocodiles, elephants and a variety of birds. After the sun sets over the river we return to our lodge.

DAY 17 VICTORIA FALLS B,D

Our tour of Victoria Falls is an awe-inspiring experience – the sight, the sound, and the smell. We view and photograph this world wonder to our heart's content. Watch out for rainbows as our guide leads us along the misty rain forest trail pointing out the flora and fauna that we encounter. The afternoon is free time to revisit the falls on our own or to relax at our comfortable lodge which sometimes has wildlife visitors. Tonight we drive into town for a very special "Boma" dinner, a unique cultural experience.

DAYS 18-19 VICTORIA FALLS / FLIGHT HOME B

We fly back to Johannesburg and take an overnight flight back to the U.S.A.

Excellent Accommodations

Cape Town.....	3 Nights	Southern Sun Cape Sun
Oudtshoorn.....	1 Night.....	Buffelsdrift Game Lodge
Knysna.....	2 Nights	Knysna Log Inn
Durban.....	1 Night.....	Southern Sun Elangeni
Hluhluwe / Umfolozi.....	1 Night.....	Protea Umfolozi River
Swaziland.....	1 Night.....	Lugogo Sun
Kruger Park (Hazyview)....	3 Nights	Hippo Hollow Estate
Johannesburg (Sandton)....	2 Nights	Protea Balaleika
Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe....	2 Nights	Ilala Lodge

TOUR PRICE INCLUDES:

- Airfare from Albuquerque to Cape Town, Johannesburg to Albuquerque, and all Intermediate Flights (Not including airline baggage and in-flight charges)
- Transportation by Deluxe Motorcoach
- 16 Nights' Lodging at Excellent 4- and 5-Star Hotels
- 16 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 13 Dinners
- Admission to All Underlined Attractions
- Sightseeing as Described
- Airport Departure Taxes, Visa Charges, and Handling
- Baggage Handling at Hotels (for one piece)
- Your SUN TOURS Escort (with 20 or more travelers)
- All Taxes and Tips for Included Items (except hotel maids)

DEPOSIT: \$200.00 Per Person NOW Holds Your Place

FINAL PAYMENT DUE: April 5, 2016

CANCELLATION FEES

None	Through April 5, 2016
\$200.00	April 6 - May 6, 2016
50% of Total Price	May 7 - June 6, 2016
75% of Total Price	June 7 - July 7, 2016
100% of Total Price	After July 7, 2016

Cancellation Insurance is Recommended