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Wild and Scenic Mpumalanga

4 Days | Johannesburg to Johannesburg

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Take in the awe-inspiring panorama sites and indulge in a private game lodge. View the 'Big 5' learn about local culture at a cultural village and enjoy an elephant interaction with Africa's gentle giants.



Departure Days: 2015-2016						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Departure Times	Sundays					
	Rosebank Hotels	± 07h00				
	Sandton Hotels	± 07h30				
	Airport Hotels	± 08h15				
	Collection times vary subject to hotel collection route. Collection time will be reconfirmed via the hotel the day prior to departure					
Languages	Bilingual - English & German Other language guides available if booked on a private basis Public attractions will not be private					
Participants	2-14 per vehicle					
Accommodation	3/4-star Hotels and Private Game Lodge					
Vehicle	Luxury Sedan or Minibus					
Includes	Meals: 3 Breakfasts; 3 Dinners Entrance Fees: Blyde River Canyon; Lisbon Falls; God's Window; Pinnacle; Elephant Interaction; Cultural Village; Conservation Fee into Kruger National Park and Mthethomusha Game Reserve					
Optional Tours En-route	All excursions are inclusive					

Day 1 | Sunday

JOHANNESBURG to SABIE via PANORAMA ROUTE (±487km)

This morning you will be collected from your Johannesburg hotel and head East towards Mpumalanga.

A landscape dominated by mountains, forests and sub-tropical lowveld makes Mpumalanga one of the most cherished and sought after areas in South Africa.

Passing through the village of Dullstroom you will make your way to the Northern Drakensberg and onto the Panorama Route, nature's own amusement park.

Here you will stop to admire one of the world's biggest canyons, the Blyde River Canyon and the Three Rondavels, views at God's Window, the 30m freestanding quartzite buttress, Pinnacle Rock and the impressive Lisbon Falls. Enjoy lunch en-route (own account).

Arrive in the town of Sabie and check into your lodge, surrounded by mountains and forests. Freshen up before enjoying a relaxing dinner at the lodge.

Lone Creek River Lodge or similar – dinner, bed and breakfast

Day 2 | Monday

SABIE to KRUGER GATE via HAZYVIEW (±145km)

Today you will visit the Kruger National Park after interacting with elephants and visiting a local cultural village.

After breakfast, make your way to Elephant Whispers on the banks of the Sabie River.

Elephant Whispers is an elephant interaction venue that offers a once in a lifetime opportunity to connect with these intelligent titanic creatures. The elephants vary in age, from 9 to 26 years and were rescued by Elephants for Africa Forever (EFAF) from planned culling operations.

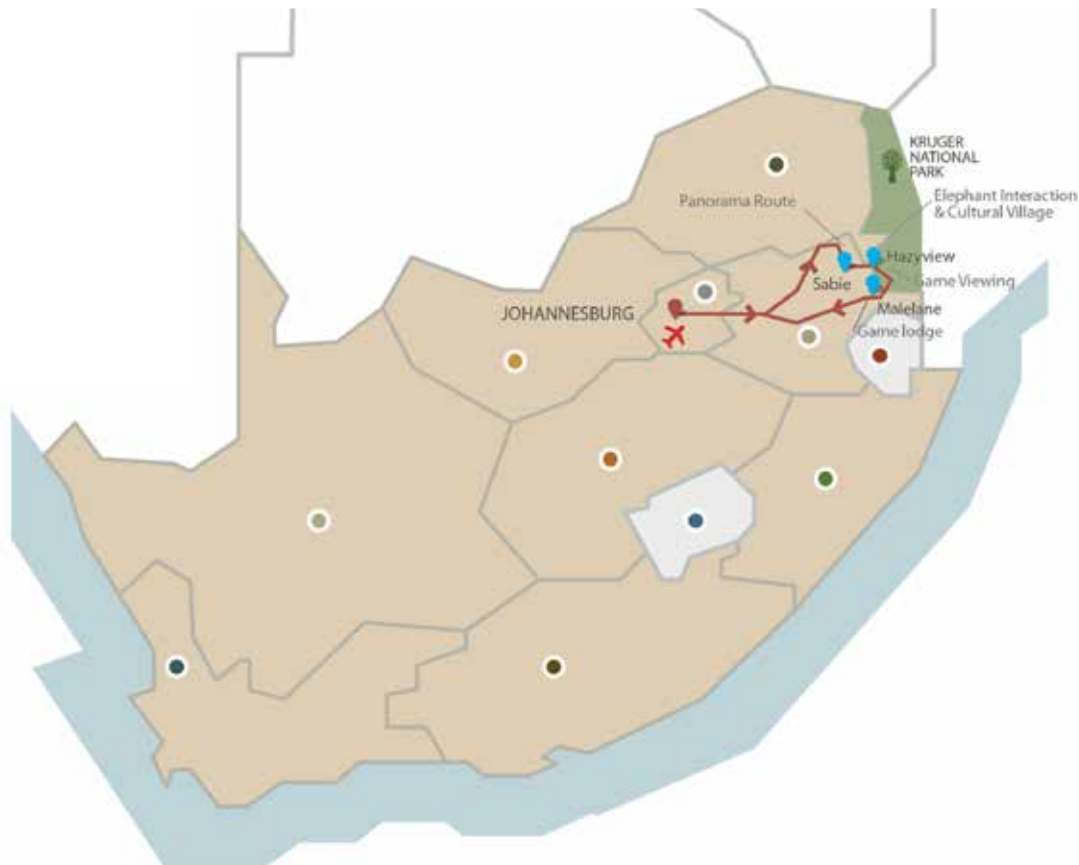
Travellers can contribute towards reducing their carbon footprint and support the war against Rhino poaching, by purchasing a "Green Seat"

Provinces Key

- Gauteng
- North West
- Limpopo
- Mpumalanga
- Swaziland
- Free State
- Lesotho
- KwaZulu-Natal
- Eastern Cape
- Western Cape
- Northern Cape

Map Key

- National Roads
- Cities
- Towns
- ♦ Border Posts
- ✈ Airports
- 🌳 National Parks
- 🌳 Parks
- 🌳 Game Reserves
- 🌍 World
- 🏛 Heritage Sites



A short drive later, you are welcomed by the villagers of the Shanga Cultural Village. Experience the Shangaan traditions and attire, meeting the village's Chief and Sangoma. Lunch en-route (own account).

Head onto the grand attraction, the Kruger National Park. The park is one of the largest and most successful conservation areas in the world. Enjoy a guided afternoon game drive in a closed vehicle, pursuing the 'Big 5' and other rare and endangered species.

End the day at your hotel where you can freshen up before dinner. Let the bushveld sounds and smells indulge you while enjoying a boma styled dinner by open fire (weather permitting).

Protea Hotel Kruger Gate or similar – dinner, bed and breakfast

Day 3 | Tuesday

KRUGER GATE to MTHETHOMUSHA GAME RESERVE via KRUGER NATIONAL PARK (±110km)

After breakfast, journey through the magnificent expanses of the Kruger National Park.

The Kruger National Park balances flat bushveld with rolling savanna, protecting a spectacular and world renowned diversity of fauna and flora. Your route will take you via Skukuza, exiting through Malelane Gate towards Mthethomusha Game Reserve, located on the Southern border of the Kruger National Park. Enjoy lunch en-route in the park or at the lodge (own account).

Set against the pristine Malelane Mountains, with the 'Big 5' wandering its 8,000 hectare land, is the Mthethomusha Game Reserve. A place where ancient paths were once trekked by the first people of Africa, the San Bushmen.

Enjoy a late afternoon open vehicle game drive with a professional guide who will have you traversing through the reserve searching for friends and foe in the wild.

Return from the bush, freshen up and relax with pre-dinner drinks (own account). Enjoy a dinner of mixed Pan-African cuisine.

Bongani Mountain Lodge or similar – dinner, bed and breakfast including 2 game viewing activities

Day 4 | Wednesday

MTHETHOMUSHA GAME RESERVE to JOHANNESBURG via KAAPSEHOOP (±390km)

Before savouring breakfast you will have another opportunity to spot and photograph the game on an open vehicle morning game drive. Departing Mthethomusha Game Reserve we travel to Kaapsehoop, a mountain village with a storybook charm.

Enjoy the lovely views of the De Kaap Valley Mountains while having lunch (own account) at the reserve. Staying off the beaten track we continue our journey onto Kaapsehoop.

The population of wild horses that roam the surrounding forest, and often trot into the town to graze in the locals' gardens has, been part of Kaapsehoop for over 100 years.

The town began as a miner's camp in 1882, then changed to a thriving forestry village, but grew very little in size. The population of horses outnumbers the human inhabitants.

A scenic drive through Mpumalanga sees us back in Johannesburg, ending the tour at your hotel.

TDM RECOMMENDS - TOUR & ACCOMMODATION

THEATRICAL DAY TOUR

War and Peace Full Day Theatrical Tour through Pretoria (TIPF)
Departs daily; English only

- Voortrekker Monument
- Kruger House
- Church Square
- Union Buildings & Mandela Statue

CROWNE PLAZA - THE ROSEBANK

Location: Rosebank, Johannesburg

- Popular Circle Bar
- Armani Day Spa
- Butcher Block Restaurant
- Near Gautrain Station & Shops