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Tonnenweise Emotionen sind das Rahmenprogramm. Das Hauptprogramm bilden die Big Five, die launisch sind und sich nicht immer im richtigen Moment zeigen, gepaart mit Naturwundern ohne Ende. Die Panorama Route, die Garden Route, die plakativen Kliffe, die Bilderbuch-Strände und das urgewaltige Kap – sie alle sind verlässlich zur Stelle.



Included services:

- Abenteuerreise mit maximal 12 Teilnehmern
- Jede Reise findet statt
- Englisch sprechender, einheimischer Guide in internationaler Reisegruppe
- Unterkunft: 3 x Hotel, 2 x Zeltlodge, 2 x Lodge, 3 x Gasthaus, 7 x Chalets
- Transport: Safari-Truck
- Mahlzeiten: 16 x Frühstück, 12 x Mittagessen, 11 x Abendessen
- Aktivitäten laut Tagesprogramm
- Nationalparkgebühren und Eintritte
- 100 m² Regenwald 4 you (Jedem Gast schenken wir im Regenwald von Ecuador ein Grundstück, das Jahr für Jahr den CO₂-Ausstoß seiner Reise kompensiert. Eingetragen auf seinen Namen und auf ewig seins.)
- Highlights: Die Naturwunder an der Panorama Route. Auf der Suche nach den »Big Five« im Krüger-Park. Wandern an der wilden Küste des Tsitsikamma-Nationalparks. Die fabelhaften Strände der Garden Route. Die Weingüter in Stellenbosch. Wandern am Kap der Guten Hoffnung. Traumhaftes Finale: Kapstadt.
- Rail&Fly inkludiert bei allen Buchungen mit Flug

Day-to-day-Itinerary:

Day 1

Arrival in Johannesburg

Sawubona – welcome to South Africa! After your arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel in Johannesburg, a melting pot and economic centre of the country. The city used to be known for its crime rate but luckily times have changed. Nowadays the former no-go areas are trendy neighbourhoods with plenty of bars. If you plan on visiting some of these, remember that you will meet your group at 06:30 am tomorrow morning.

Included activities:

- Airport transfer to the hotel in Johannesburg

Accommodation: Road Lodge Rivonia / Cnr Rivonia Rd & 10th Ave Rivonia, Sandton, Johannesburg / <https://clhg.com/hotels/366/Road-Lodge-Rivonia>

Ideas for your stay in Johannesburg:

- **Visit the Apartheid-Museum:** This museum gives an insight into the moving history of South Africa. Costs approx. 95 ZAR per person. www.apartheidmuseum.org
- **Bike tour of Soweto:** A tour will take you into the heart of the township, where you will experience the warm hospitality of the locals. There are different tours to choose from. Costs approx. 660 ZAR per person for a 4 hour tour. www.sowetobackpackers.com/activities/bicycle-tours



Day 2

Panorama Route

We meet at 6:30 am at the hotel reception this morning. After a short briefing we head north towards Mpumalanga, where mountains, panoramic passes, valleys, rivers, waterfalls and forests characterise the landscape. We travel along the beautiful Panorama Route and enjoy the views from God's Window, before descending off the escarpment and heading to our game lodge on the border of the Greater Krüger National Park.

Included activities:

- God's Window & Three Roundavels View Point

Included meals: Lunch, dinner

Travel time: Approx. 620 km / approx. 8 hrs

The welcome meeting takes place at 6:30 am today!

At the time of departure there will be a short meeting to discuss final tour arrangements and inform you about the day's activities. Please bring your tour vouchers and insurance policy. You will also be asked to fill out an indemnity form, which must be handed to your tour guide. This is also an ideal time to bring up anything that you are not sure of or that your guide should be aware of i.e. allergies, medical conditions etc.

Accommodation: Lodge

Day 3

Krüger National Park

Today we get up early for a full day of game viewing in Krüger National Park. This famous park is blessed with animals galore. So keep your eyes wide open as soon as we enter the park. You might spot the first of the Big 5 today. We will return to our lodge in the late afternoon to enjoy the sunset over the Drakensberg Mountains, a swim in the pool and a hearty meal before falling asleep to the sounds of Africa.

Included activities:

- Morning and afternoon game drives in Krüger National Park

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Accommodation: Lodge



Day 4

Kruger National Park

We stretch our legs on a short morning walk exploring the surrounding bush before we re-enter Kruger National Park and head south. Kruger is the largest game reserve in South Africa, boasts the world's greatest concentration of species and has an amazing 16 different ecosystems. Exciting game drives provide us with excellent game viewing. If you are still missing some of your Big 5, the chances are high that you will see them today. If you can't get enough of the bush, you can go on a night game drive at an extra cost. Just ask your guide for the details.

Included activities:

- Morning and afternoon game drives in Kruger National Park

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Travel time: Approx. 150 km / approx. 2 hrs

Accommodation: Chalet

Optional activities:

- **Night game drive:** explore the park at night, when the animals are the most active. Costs approx. 300 ZAR per person.

Day 5

Malolotja Nature Reserve

Today we cross the border into the Kingdom of eSwatini. Malolotja Nature Reserve is our next destination. Renowned for a great variety of habitats from short grassland, to thick riverine scrub and moist forest, we explore the reserve on foot to enjoy the fantastic mountain views. In the evening we relax around a campfire dinner in our hillside lodge.

Included activities:

- Entrance to Malalotja Nature Reserve

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Travel time: Approx. 200 km / approx. 4 hrs

Accommodation: Chalet



Day 6

Zululand

In the morning we visit a craft market near Mbabane which boasts a range of handmade crafts and even a local witchdoctor stall. We re-enter South Africa and head to a private game reserve located on the Ukuwela Conservancy, where our local guide will lead us on a walk along the Msinene River. The path winds itself through bushveld and riverine vegetation and we have plenty of time for bird watching and game tracking. Nyala, hippos and the elusive leopard can all be found on the reserve. So keep your eyes and ears alert.

Included activities:

- Visit a craft market in Mbabane
- Nature walk in the Ukuwela Conservancy

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Travel time: Approx. 295 km / approx. 6 hrs

Accommodation: Tented lodge

Day 7

Hluhluwe Game Reserve

Today we go on a game drive in Hluhluwe Game Reserve, which is a safe haven for the embattled rhino. If we are lucky, we can tick off the last of the Big 5 today. Afterwards we visit a local Zulu village and get to know the local's customs. In the late afternoon we return to our cosy lodge and you can enjoy the views over the reserve from the viewing deck.

Included activities:

- Morning game drive in Hluhluwe Game Reserve
- Visit of a Zulu village with local Zulu community guide

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Travel time: Depends on the animals we see during our game drive

Accommodation: Tented lodge





Day 8

Drakensberg Mountains

After breakfast, we head towards The Drakensberg Mountains or »uKhahlamba« - the Barrier of Spears. This is a mountainous wonderland and world heritage site. From Zululand we move further south to the base of these mountains where we stay in quaint cottages for two nights. We will spend time walking along beautiful mountain stream paths, or just enjoying the spectacular views.

Included activities:

- Afternoon hike in the Drakensberg Mountains

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Travel time: Approx. 500 km / approx. 7 hrs

Accommodation: Chalet

Day 9

Drakensberg Mountains

The Drakensberg Mountains boast huge sandstone formations that can be up to 3000 m high. Combined with the crystal clear rivers and lush green vegetation, the area makes for fantastic hikes. So we don our hiking boots and explore the Drakensberg Mountains during morning and afternoon hikes.

Included activities:

- Morning and afternoon hikes in the Drakensberg Mountains

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Accommodation: Chalet



Day 10

Wild Coast

Today we leave the mountains and head to the famous Wild Coast. On our way we visit Qunu, the home town of Nelson Mandela, and pay our respects to this great man. The Wild Coast remains a relatively untouched paradise with unspoilt stretches of dramatically beautiful coastline, open spaces and pristine forest areas. We make the most of this stunning landscape and stop for small walks along the most spectacular stretches, before we arrive at our lodge in Kei Mouth in the early evening.

Included activities:

- Entrance to Nelson Mandela Museum
- Scenic coastal walks

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Travel time: Approx. 600 km / approx. 8½ hrs

Accommodation: Lodge. Please note that one bathroom is shared between two rooms tonight.

Day 11

A free day in Kei Mouth

If you like, you can sleep in today because today is all yours. Take an easy walk around the farm we are staying at and try to spot the wildlife meandering around, or grab a surfboard and splash around in the waves. In the evening try out the local pub and its fresh seafood.

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Accommodation: Lodge. Please note that one bathroom is shared between two rooms tonight.



Day 12

Addo Elephant National Park

This morning we leave the coast behind and venture into Addo Elephant National Park. The park was established in 1931 to protect the last 11 wild elephants from extermination. Today more than 600 elephants roam through the area. The park also offers excellent viewing of black rhino, Cape buffalo, lion and leopard, as well as a host of other large and small mammals and over 400 species of birds in the greater park area. We make the most of today and go on an extensive game drive.

Included activities:

- Afternoon & morning game drive in Addo Elephant National Park

Included meals: Breakfast, dinner

Travel time: Approx. 290 km / approx. 4½ hrs

Accommodation: Chalet

Optional activities:

- **Night game drive:** explore the park at night, when the animals are the most active. Costs approx. 414 ZAR per person.

Day 13

Knysna

When we've seen enough elephants, we travel back to the coast. For the next two nights we are based in the lovely town of Knysna, right by Knysna Lagoon. Once we get there, you can lean back at the hotel, or get active. Ask your guide for more ideas on how to spend the afternoon.

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch

Travel time: Approx. 300 km / approx. 4½ hrs

Accommodation: Hotel

Optional activities:

- **Whale watching:** Try to spot whales from June to November. Costs approx. 960 ZAR per person.



Day 14

Tsitsikamma National Park

After breakfast, we don our hiking boots again and take a day trip to the Storms River mouth where there are walks up the gorge and along the rocky coast. The Tsitsikamma National Park incorporates 80km of spectacular sea and landscapes with secluded valleys, coastal forests and deep river gorges leading down to the sea.

Included activities:

- Entrance fees to Tsitsikamma National Park
- Hike in Storms River

Included meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel

Optional activities:

- **Treetop Canopy Tour:** Discover the lush forests from above during a canopy tour. Costs approx. 660 ZAR per person.

Day 15

Hermanus

Wave goodbye to Knsyna today, as we continue our journey to Hermanus. This little place offers some of the best land based whale watching in the world. From June to November Southern Right Whales come up from the southern oceans to calve and mate in the shallow waters around the Cape. In whale season we will take a walk along this beautiful coastline. In the summer months we will explore the flowering fynbos in Fernkloof Nature Reserve.

Included activities:

- June - November: whale watching walk along the coast
- Other times: Fernkloof Nature Reserve

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch

Travel time: Approx. 420 km / approx. 6 hrs

Accommodation: Hotel



Day 16

Stellenbosch and Capetown

Today we reach the final destination of our trip: Cape Town. Before we delve into the city, we visit Stellenbosch, a region just outside Capetown that is world-renowned for its wines. There is a vineyard in every direction and we make sure to visit one of them. We will get more insights into the art of making wine on a cellar tour. In the afternoon we continue to Capetown, one of the most picturesque cities in the world. The »mother city« features many attractions and we will visit the harbour at Hout Bay and the V&A Waterfront. If you like you can book a boat tour to Robben Island, where Nelson Mandela was imprisoned, visit a museum or go on a cooking safari in Bo-Kaap.

Included activities:

- Stellenbosch with cellar tour

Included meals: Breakfast

Travel time: Approx. 150 km / approx. 2 hrs

Accommodation: Sweetest Guesthouse / <http://sweetestguesthouses.com> Sweetest Guesthouses is a collection of individually decorated houses in a metropolitan area of Cape Town near the V&A Waterfront. The group may be spread amongst any of the houses, within walking distance of each other, and the group breakfasts will be taken in the same house.

Day 17

Cape Point

In the morning we explore Cape Point, where the Atlantic and the Indian Ocean meet. We take a walk along Cape Point Nature Reserve and enjoy the breathtaking views. On our way we also visit the penguins at Boulder's Beach. Later on we enjoy the famous beaches of the peninsula, before we head back to Capetown for one final night.

Included activities:

- Cape Point Nature Reserve
- Visit Penguin Colony at Boulders Beach

Included meals: Breakfast

Travel time: Approx. 150 km / approx. 2 hrs

Accommodation: Guesthouse



Day 18

Capetown and departure

The last day in South Africa has approached and we saved the best for last. After breakfast we climb Table Mountain and take in the magnificent view over the city and its bay. When we have seen enough, we head back down into the city and there is time to shop for a few more souvenirs, before the tour ends at the guesthouse at 18:00 o'clock.

Included activities:

- Hike to the top of Table Mountain

Included meals: Breakfast

Important! The tour officially ends at 18:00 o'clock at the guesthouse. To ensure that you reach your flight in time, please do not book a flight before 21:00 o'clock. If you like you can leave the group earlier. In that case we recommend that you do not book a flight before 16:00 o'clock to ensure that you can join and enjoy the hike up to the top of Table Mountain.

Optional activities:

- **Robben Island:** The prison island, where Nelson Mandela was held as a prisoner, is open for visitors. The guides are former political prisoners and give you an insight into what it was like to be imprisoned here. Costs approx. 360 ZAR per person www.robben-island.org.za
- **Cape Malay Cooking Safari:** During this tour through Bo-Kaap, a local guide will explain the culinary sides of the rainbow nation. You will visit a local family and cook up a storm together. Minimum 2 persons, costs 2210 ZAR per person www.andulela.com/malay_cooking_tours.html

Accommodation on your trip:

During the trip you might stay in the following accommodation. Please note that, depending on availability, these may vary from departure to departure.

- Day 1: Road Lodge Rivonia (<https://clhg.com/hotels/366/Road-Lodge-Rivonia>)
- Day 2: Makuwa Safari Lodge (<http://www.makuwasafarilodge.co.za/>)
- Day 3: Makuwa Safari Lodge
- Day 4: Krüger National Park Chalets
- Day 5: Hawane Lodge (<http://www.thekingdomofeswatini.com/north-west-eswatini/malolotja-nature-reserve/hawane-resort/>)
- Day 6: Zululand Lodge (<http://www.zululandlodge.com/>)
- Day 7: Zululand Lodge
- Day 8: Lotheni Chalets
- Day 9: Lotheni Chalets
- Day 10: Benmore Lodge (<https://www.benmorelodge.co.za/gallery/>)



- Day 11: Benmore Lodge
- Day 12: Addo National Park Chalets
- Day 13: Lagoon Inn (<https://www.lagoon.co.za/gallery/index.html>)
- Day 14: Lagoon Inn
- Day 15: Chesham House (<http://www.chesham.co.za/>)
- Day 16: Sweetest Guesthouses (<https://www.sweetestguesthouses.com/>)
- Day 17: Sweetest Guesthouses
- Day 18: -

Important notes

- Please note that while most of the departures are guaranteed, there are certain dates that require a minimum number of participants to run this tour. If the minimum number cannot be reached, it may be necessary to cancel a departure. We will inform you at least 30 days prior to departure to let you know, if the tour goes ahead or not.
- Single supplements are limited to two per trip. Please let us know, if you would like to book a single, so that we can check the availability.
- The distance and travel times quoted above are an estimate only, and subject to local road conditions and animal sightings. There are several long days of travel providing for a beautiful journey on the way to exciting and varied destinations.
- The included lunches and dinners during the tour will be provided by the guides, prepared either at the truck or in the self-catering kitchen. When the accommodation does not feature a restaurant, meals will be eaten either under the trees near your chalet or around the campfire at the truck.
- An essential part of your safari is participation. From carrying your own bag to your room to packing the truck in the morning – it's all part of your adventure. Your tour leaders will do the meal preparation when required but we do ask you to help (on rotation) with the washing up. There are some long travel days which means early morning starts, so we all need to get involved to make the day run efficiently.
- We use custom-built trucks with 12 forward facing seats, or (on 10% of tours) Mercedes Sprinter minibuses with 12 forward facing seats and air conditioning.
- This is a shared tour. That means that tour operators from all over the world book their guests onto this tour. So you will be travelling in an international group.
- Visas are the responsibility of the individual traveller. Entry requirements can change at any time, so it's important that you check for the latest information. Please visit the relevant consular website of the country or countries you're visiting for detailed and up-to-date visa information specific to your nationality. Visas can take several weeks to process, so familiarise yourself with any requirements as soon as you have booked your trip to allow for processing time and costs.
- We suggest you to bring between 10€ and 30€ per day of the tour depending on what you want to do in the way of optional activities, curio shopping and tour guide tips.

Preishinweise:



- Einzelzimmerzuschlag: 559 € (auf Anfrage)
- Langstreckenflug Frankfurt nach Johannesburg und zurück ab Kapstadt: ab 899 €
- Rail & Fly innerhalb Deutschlands (2. Klasse): inkludiert bei Flugbuchung über YOLO
- Flughafentransfer in Johannesburg: inklusive.
- Flughafentransfer in Kapstadt: 35 € pro Person. Buche deinen Rückflug nicht vor 21 Uhr.
- Vorübernachtung in der Road Lodge Rivonia in Johannesburg exkl. Frühstück: 35 € p.P. im Doppelzimmer, 70 € p.P. im Einzelzimmer.
- Anschlussübernachtung in einem Sweetest Guesthouse in Kapstadt inkl. Frühstück: 70 € p.P. im Doppelzimmer, 105 € p.P. im Einzelzimmer
- (Bitte beachten: Bei Vor- und Anschlussübernachtungen ist ein halbes Doppelzimmer nicht buchbar)



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