

South Africa

September 13 – 27, 2025 | 15 Days

Mixed
Company
Tour!



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South Africa is known as ‘A World in One Country,’ and this trip touches all the high points.

We start in cosmopolitan Cape Town, enjoying the iconic view from the top of Table Mountain and visiting the very moving site of Robben Island. We taste the fine vintages of the nearby Winelands and travel around the Cape Peninsula for dramatic coastal views. Next, we follow the spectacular coastline of the Garden Route: a world-class coastline of forested hills, deep lagoons, and shining white beaches. No trip to South Africa would be complete without spotting Africa’s Big Five. We get to stay in a fabulous safari lodge and enjoy game viewing in renowned Kruger National Park. On the optional post-trip extension, take in the incredible sight of Victoria Falls!



Tour Host

This mixed-company tour is co-hosted by Rowena & Daniel Lamy.

Guyana-born **Rowena** is an experienced, enthusiastic international traveller. A long and successful IT career, including roles as a Management Consultant and Corporate Director, has afforded her the opportunity to work across Canada and internationally. She is a natural organizer and problem solver with a calm and easy-going demeanor, who creates the perfect ambiance for her WTN travellers to enjoy their vacation.



Daniel is retired from a successful career, which included roles of Executive Chef and Food and Beverage Director with Hilton International and the Starwood Group of Hotels. His business travels took him to many locations throughout the USA, Canada, and Internationally. Working in hospitality allowed Daniel to follow his passions of ethnic cooking, international cultures, and ancient history. Daniel is always willing to share his years of culinary knowledge and expertise to enhance the tour experience.



Signature Moments

- 🐾 Admiring the view from the top of Table Mountain
- 🐾 Raising a glass of fine wine with the maker
- 🐾 Experiencing history at Robben Island
- 🐾 Learning about primate rehabilitation
- 🐾 Spotting the Big 5 in Kruger National Park

Our Route



Detailed Itinerary

Saturday, September 13: Arrive in Cape Town

Upon arrival at Cape Town Airport, you are met and transferred to our hotel on the city's V&A waterfront. Check in is at 2:00 pm

Overnight: Southern Sun Waterfront Hotel, Cape Town or similar

Sunday, September 14: Cape Town

Today, we discover the highlights of the city on a full-day tour. We start at Cape Town's Castle, the oldest colonial building, and then travel by aerial cableway to the summit of iconic Table Mountain. At the top, we discover stunning views of the surrounding ocean and the city below. We also explore Kirstenbosch Gardens, one of the greatest botanic gardens in the world. The setting against the slopes of Table Mountain is spectacular. This evening, we celebrate the first full day of our journey with a welcome dinner at Gold Restaurant, an African favourite, complete with a presentation of traditional drumming.

Overnight: Southern Sun Waterfront Hotel, Cape Town or similar

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Monday, September 15: Winelands

While South Africa's fertile valleys are world famous for their wines, the area is also a treasury of rustic beauty and sprawling estates shaded by giant oak trees. Our drive today takes us along the wine route, starting with the rolling vineyards of Paarl. We continue to the beautiful village of Franschhoek, near the Drakenstein Mountains and onward to Stellenbosch, the historic heart of the country's wine region. Along the way, we get to indulge in three wine tastings at vineyards and estates.

Overnight: Southern Sun Waterfront Hotel, Cape Town or similar

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Kirstenbosch Gardens



Tuesday, September 16: Cape Town

This morning, we travel by public ferry to Robben Island. The famous island, whose prison was once home to former South African president Nelson Mandela as well as many other black political freedom fighters, is now a World Heritage Site and provides stunning views across the bay with Table Mountain as its backdrop. A trip to the island is an unforgettable experience and offers a glimpse into the life and times of the apartheid era. The afternoon is at leisure to enjoy the lovely waterfront setting. Still a working harbour, the waterfront is an example of creative architecture and restoration and has become South Africa's most visited tourist attraction. There are a myriad of shops and cafés here as well as the Two Oceans Aquarium. Dinner tonight is at a local restaurant.

Overnight: Southern Sun Waterfront Hotel, Cape Town or similar

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Wednesday, September 17: Cape Peninsula

Today, we explore the gorgeous scenery around the Cape. We start off with a scenic drive along the Atlantic coast to the fishing village of Hout Bay before continuing to Chapman's Peak along a spectacular coastal route that hugs the Atlantic coastline for a breathtaking nine kilometres. We visit the famous Cape of Good Hope in Table Mountain National Park, which boasts a rich biodiversity of life: over 1000 species of fynbos plants, 250 species of birds, plus antelope, baboons, and zebras. A special treat here is taking the 'Flying Dutchman' funicular to the old lighthouse overlooking the Atlantic Ocean for spectacular ocean views. At Boulder's Beach, we can observe hordes of African Penguins waddling freely amongst us as we stroll the white coved beaches. We're having lunch today at the scenic Two Oceans Restaurant with magnificent views of False Bay.

Overnight: Southern Sun Waterfront Hotel, Cape Town or similar

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Thursday, September 18: Drive to Oudtshoorn

Today's drive takes us along Route 62 via Worcester, Montagu, and Calitzdorp with many en-route stops planned. On arrival in Oudtshoorn, we visit a working Ostrich farm to observe these remarkable flightless creatures at close range. We enjoy a meal here, perhaps consisting of ostrich fillet: one of the healthiest red meats, as it has no fat content and is low in cholesterol. This makes for a healthy and delicious alternative to other red meat options.

Overnight: Hlangana Lodge, Oudtshoorn or similar

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch



Friday, September 19: Drive to Knysna

Our drive continues along the lovely Garden Route. En route, we stop at the head of the picturesque Cango Valley to visit the underground wonder of the Klein Karoo: the Cango Caves. Situated in a limestone ridge, these caverns are famed for their vast halls and towering dripstone formations.

Overnight: Knysna Hollow Country Estate, Knysna or similar

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Cango Caves



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Saturday, September 20: Featherbed Reserve

A short ferry trip takes us to the private nature reserve. This pristine piece of paradise is situated on the western head of Knysna. Once at the reserve, we take a drive in a 4x4 vehicle to the top of the head for magnificent views. Enjoy a guided nature walk through coastal forest and fynbos into the Khoi-Khoi caves to learn about the history and ecology of the reserve. Dinner tonight is at a local restaurant.

Overnight: Knysna Hollow Country Estate, Knysna or similar

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Sunday, September 21: Drive to Port Elizabeth

We continue our drive along the Garden Route today, travelling first to Monkeyland in Plettenberg Bay. Here, many species of monkey and ape roam the forest as part of the rehabilitation efforts of the facility. We also stop to visit the Tsitsikamma National Park, Africa's largest marine reserve, to hopefully view dolphins and Southern Right Whales.

Overnight: Boardwalk Hotel and Spa, Port Elizabeth or similar

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Monday, September 22: Fly to Hoedspruit and drive to Kruger National Park

This morning, we transfer to the Port Elizabeth Airport for the flight to Hoedspruit via Johannesburg. Upon arrival in Hoedspruit, we transfer to the Kapama River Lodge within the largest reserve in Kruger National Park. This afternoon, we have our first game drive in open vehicles. We expect to start seeing some of the Big 5 under the guidance of our highly trained guides.

Overnight: Kapama River Lodge or similar

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Tuesday, September 23 – Wednesday, September 24: Kruger National Park

This area supports the greatest variety of wildlife species anywhere in Africa. We spend two full days here enjoying safaris from the lodge. Our days start very early with a 5:30am morning game drive with coffee and tea served in the bush. Game drives are in 6 – 8-passenger open Land-Rover-type vehicles. We're back for a hearty breakfast around 9.00am. Later in the morning, one of the Lodge naturalists takes us on an interpretive bush walk. Lunch is served on the wooden viewing deck so that we don't miss a thing! The afternoon is free to relax or take advantage of the lodge's Wellness Centre. After high tea, we're out again in the late afternoon for a second game drive. Around 5:30pm, it's sundowner time as we sip cocktails in the bush, watching the sun set.

Overnight: Kapama River Lodge or similar

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Thursday, September 25: Fly to Johannesburg

We have the morning at leisure before driving to the airport for the short flight to Johannesburg.

Overnight: Hotel Sandton City, Johannesburg or similar

Meals: Breakfast

Friday, September 26: Johannesburg

We begin the day at the extraordinarily powerful Apartheid Museum, documenting the historical passage from the early peoples of South Africa to the birth of democracy in the nation. It is a very graphic experience, the intensity of sounds and powerful images effectively evoking the suffering of life under apartheid and bringing relevance to the people we meet on our journey. We then travel to Soweto, entering via the upmarket Diepkloof Ext where some houses can cost in the millions. We visit a large hostel in the area, now used as informal lodgings for families. Soak up the sights, sounds, and feel of Africa at close quarters as we visit the Baragwatnath area. Here, there are open-air butcher shops, herbalists, barbers, and markets. We recommend stopping in for an umgonbothi (local beer) at a rustic shebeen. We pass by Baragwanath Hospital, the largest hospital in the southern hemisphere and continue through the suburbs where political giants lived as well as the Kliptown area where the freedom charter was signed. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant and our farewell dinner at Carnivore.

Overnight: Hotel Sandton City, Johannesburg or similar

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Saturday, September 27: Depart Johannesburg

The day is at leisure before we are transferred to the airport for homeward bound flights or to continue to the post-trip extension at iconic Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe.

Meals: Breakfast

Note: The itinerary and accommodation described here are subject to change due to logistical arrangements and to take advantage of local events.



Apartheid Museum



Knysna



African Penguins



Tour Details

Approx. Tour Cost (per person):

US\$8795, Based on 13 – 15 participants

US\$8595, Based on 16 participants

Includes taxes and gratuities

Single Supplement: US\$1995

If you are travelling on your own and would like to share accommodation, we would be happy to try to match you with a suitable roommate. If we are unable to do so, the single cost applies.

Group Size:

13 – 16 participants

What's Included:

- Airport transfers on tour start and end dates if arriving with the group
- Accommodations based on double occupancy in hotels listed or similar
- Meals as specified in the itinerary
- Bottled water in vehicle during excursions
- Ground transportation by private coach
- Internal flights: Port Elizabeth / Hoedspruit / Johannesburg (cost subject to change)
- All activities as described in the detailed itinerary
- All entrance fees
- Services of specialized English-speaking guides
- Gratuities for escort, local guides, drivers, hotel staff, and group meals
- All taxes
- Services of your Women's Travel Network Host

Not Included:

- Roundtrip airfare from your home
- Fuel surcharge (if applicable)
- Airport transfers, if not arriving with the group
- Items of a personal nature
- Meals other than those mentioned above
- Beverages with meals
- Visa fee (not currently required for Canadian passports)
- Travel insurance
- Additional transportation required due to any emergency or other situation
- Any item not mentioned in "What's Included"

Payment Details:

A non-refundable deposit of US\$750 per person is required to reserve a space on this tour. A second deposit of US\$2000 is required six months prior to departure. Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure.

What to Expect



Joining Instructions

Arrival: Saturday, September 13

The main tour commences upon arrival at Cape Town International Airport. Travellers arriving on the tour start date will be met on arrival and transferred to our meeting point. This transfer is included in the cost of the tour. When you book the designated pre-trip accommodation with Worldwide Quest, your transfer from the airport to our group hotel on arrival is also included. If you are making your own pre-trip arrangements, this transfer can be provided at additional cost.

Departure: Saturday, September 27

The main tour concludes with a group transfer to Johannesburg's Tambo International Airport. **Please contact us to verify the timing of this transfer prior to making any flight arrangements.**



COVID-19 Entry and Travel Requirements

All travellers on Worldwide Quest tours are required to be fully vaccinated and prepared to show proof of vaccination as per local regulations. Please refer to these websites for current requirements:

Canada: <https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid>

South Africa: <https://www.gov.za/covid-19/individuals-and-households/travel-coronavirus-covid-19>



Level of Activity: Moderate

This trip involves walks in towns and cities and in rural areas with gentle slopes. You should be able to walk unassisted for up to three hours. There are some extended walking opportunities available. If you have any concerns about being able to participate in this trip, please contact our office for further information.



Travel Documents

You will require a passport for your trip to South Africa. Please ensure it is valid for at least 6 months after the date of your return home.



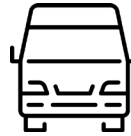
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Accommodation

We have selected a selection of comfortable hotels and lodges. All rooms have private facilities.



Transportation

Ground transport is by private, air-conditioned coach, 24 – 36 seats depending on the size of the group. There are some long drives over well-paved roads. While staying at our safari lodge, we will enjoy safaris in 4x4 open vehicles.



Weather

We expect sunny skies with average daytime temperatures between 20 and 25° C and overnight lows of about 10 – 15°C. We may experience the occasional brief afternoon thunderstorm.



Optional Post-trip Extension: Victoria Falls

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Saturday, September 27: Fly to Victoria Falls

This morning's flight takes us to iconic Victoria Falls. Twice as wide and twice as deep as Niagara Falls, the Falls constitute one of the most spectacular natural wonders in the world. We are met on arrival and transferred to our hotel. This evening, enjoy a sundowner cruise on the Zambezi River observing a variety of game, including hippos, crocodiles, and elephants in their home environment. There are great photo opportunities against often spectacular African sunsets.

Overnight: Victoria Falls Safari Lodge, Zimbabwe

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Sunday, September 28: Victoria Falls

Nothing quite prepares you for the first sight of the falls, and no photograph can begin to depict the awesomeness of what the local people call "Mosi-oa-Tunya" (the smoke that thunders). The Victoria Falls are 1,708 meters wide, making them the largest curtain of water in the world. They drop between 90 metres and 107 metres into the Zambezi Gorge, and an average of 550,000 cubic metres of water plummet over the edge every minute. We get a good look at the falls today on a guided morning tour before free time in the afternoon. We end the day with a special outdoor boma dinner with Amakwezi traditional dances and a drumming extravaganza.

Overnight: Victoria Falls Safari Lodge, Zimbabwe

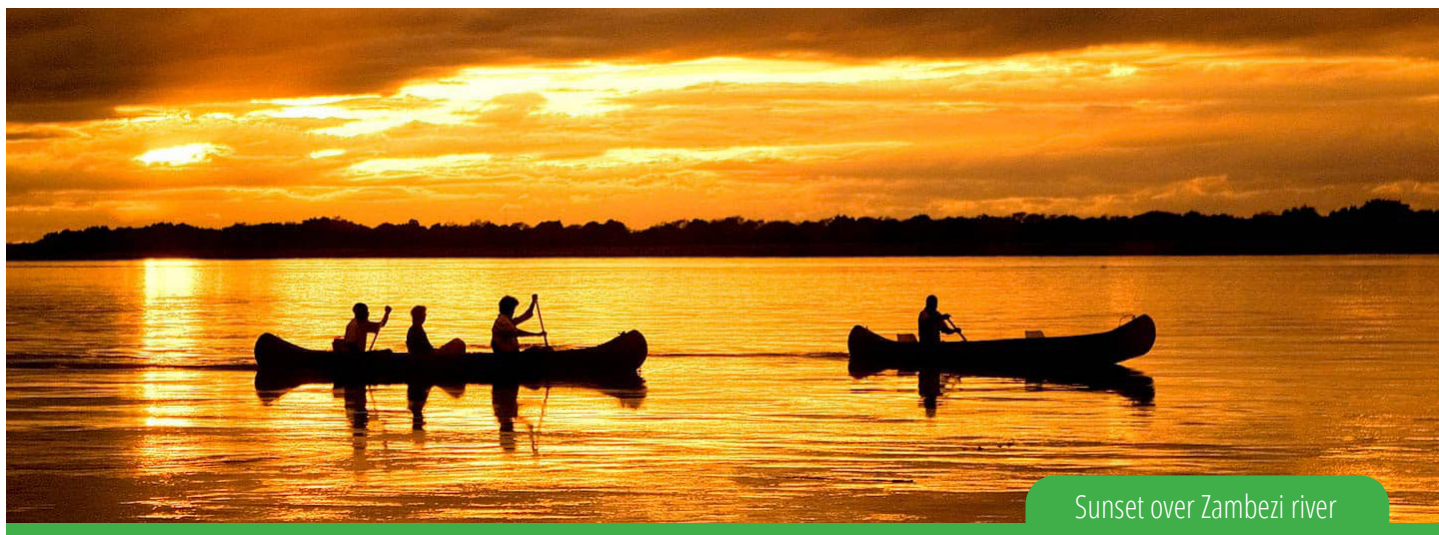
Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Monday, September 29: Depart Victoria Falls

Today, we are transferred to the airport for homeward-bound flights.

Meals: Breakfast

Note: The itinerary and accommodation described in this detailed itinerary are subject to change due to logistical arrangements and to take advantage of local events.



Sunset over Zambezi river

Extension Details

Approx. Tour Cost (per person):

Approx. US\$1295, Based on 2 – 6 participants

Approx. US\$1095, Based on 7 – 10 participants

Includes all taxes

Single Supplement: Approx. US\$350

If you are travelling on your own and would like to share accommodation, we would be happy to try to match you with a suitable roommate. If we are unable to do so, the single cost applies.

Group Size:

2 – 10 participants

What's Included:

- Arrival and departure transfers based on group flight schedule
- Accommodations based on double occupancy in hotels listed or similar
- Ground transportation
- All activities as described in the detailed itinerary
- Entrance fees
- Meals as specified in the itinerary
- Entrance fees for sunset cruise and tour of the falls as noted in the itinerary
- Services of English-speaking local guides on transfers and sightseeing excursions

Not Included:

- Internal flight: Johannesburg – Victoria Falls – Johannesburg
- Fuel surcharge (if applicable)
- Airport departure taxes (if applicable)
- Airport transfers, if not arriving with the group
- Items of a personal nature
- Meals other than those mentioned above
- Beverages with meals
- Gratuities to local guides/drivers, meals, and hotel staff
- Visa fee for Zimbabwe
- Travel insurance
- Women's Travel Network host
- Additional transportation required due to any emergency or other situation
- Any item not mentioned in "What's Included"

Payment Details:

A non-refundable deposit of US\$750 per person is required to reserve a space on this tour. Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure.

Additional Info

Terms and Conditions

For additional information about our terms and conditions, please refer to our website. All participants booking with Worldwide Quest are covered by the terms of the Ontario Travel Industry Act (Worldwide Quest International, Ontario - License # 2667946). See full details [here](#).

Cancellation Policy

All payments are non-refundable, however you may transfer your initial deposit for any land tour to another tour 90 days or more prior to your scheduled departure date. Initial deposits for cruises are non-refundable and non-transferable. Your second payment and your final payment are non-refundable and non-transferable. If you cancel within 90 days prior to trip departure, all associated trip costs are non-refundable. In the event of a cancellation, you must notify Worldwide Quest immediately and in writing. See full details [here](#).

Travel Insurance

We urge you to ensure that you have adequate cancellation and medical insurance in place, should an unexpected event cause you to cancel or interrupt your trip or should the tour not be operable per our terms and conditions. Medical insurance including emergency medical evacuation coverage is mandatory on all our tours.



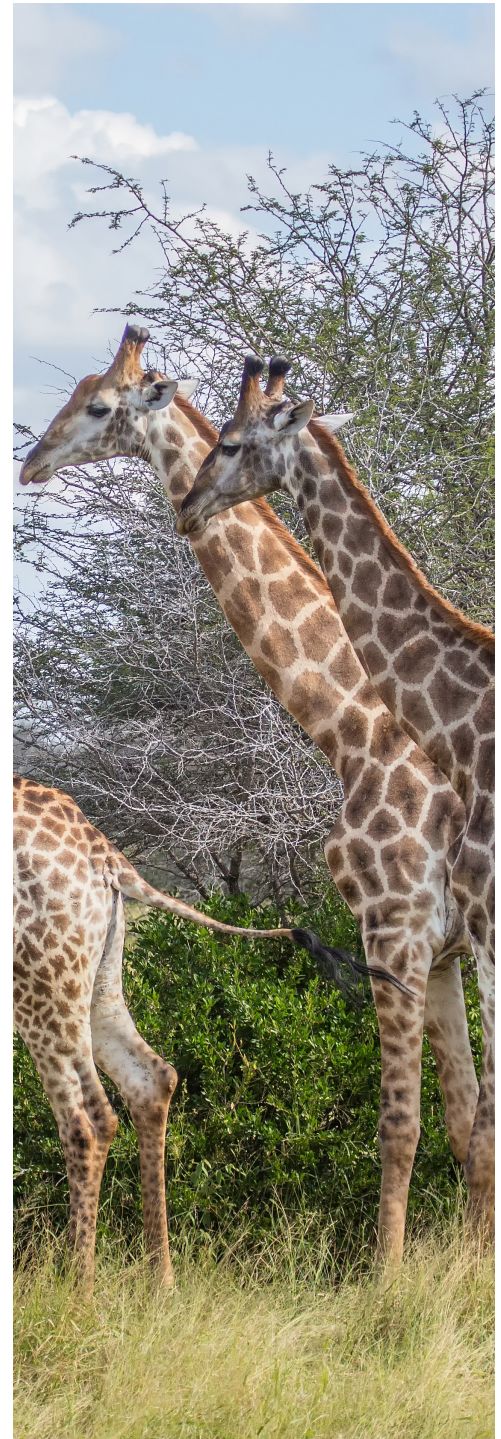
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We'd like to make sure that you know about the WTN Reward Program. Bring a friend on their first WTN tour and you receive \$100 off your trip.



Worldwide Explorers Club

Travel twice with Worldwide Quest and you become a member of the Worldwide Explorers Club. Earn 5% off all your subsequent eligible group tours. Look for the WEC icon to find your next tour. The bonus is non-transferable and cannot be used in conjunction with any other discount or credit. Note that some exceptions may apply. Members also get access to special offers and exploratory tours.



How to Book

Please contact the Worldwide Quest office for more information and to secure your booking.

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A word about

Womens Travel Network

The Womens Travel Network was founded by Debbie Ross, who provides the inspiration for women only small group trips as well as some mixed company trips. The Womens Travel Network is affiliated with Worldwide Quest, a TICO Travel Agency, that provides all of the trip logistics, trip designs and details, and also looks after the entire booking process and client care before, during, and after your travels.

Bringing women together on great travel adventures since 1990. Our tours are expertly designed by women, for women. Whether you're joining us on your own or with a friend, a sister or a mother you will enjoy the camaraderie and security of being with a great group of women, who explore, discover and experience the world. Friendships that develop on our trips last for years...

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- Dedicated escort from Canada PLUS local tour guides
- 4 – 5 star accommodations in the heart of the destination
- Small groups of 10 – 16 women per tour
- Women-oriented experiences
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