

DISCOVER SOUTH AFRICA, VICTORIA FALLS AND BOTSWANA!

September 4-16, 2022

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Depart Houston at approximately 3:30 PM for our flight to Cape Town, South Africa. There will be a short layover in Amsterdam before continuing on to Cape Town.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Arrive **Cape Town** at approximately 9:30 PM and transfer to our hotel located in the **Alfred and Victoria Waterfront** area of the city.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

After breakfast at the hotel, depart for a **Half Day Cape Town City Tour**. Known as the “Mother City”, **Cape Town** is the oldest city in South Africa. Perched between the ocean and the mountain, with a national park as its heart, there is nowhere like Cape Town.

Travel by cable car to the top of spectacular **Table Mountain** for unforgettable sweeping views. Also visit the colourful houses of the **Malay Quarter (Bo Kaap)** and shop for authentic souvenirs at **Greenmarket Square**. Also enjoy a leisurely stroll through **Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens**, one of the great botanical gardens of the world.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Today will be a **Full Day Cape Peninsula Tour**. Explore the beauty of the Cape Peninsula and drive along one of South Africa’s most scenic routes passing by **Sea Point** and **Camp’s Bay**. Enjoy a cruise to **Seal Island** to view seals and sea birds at **Duiker Island**. Continue along **Chapman’s Peak Drive** to the **Cape Point Nature Reserve** and stand at the southernmost tip of Africa. Visit the **New Lighthouse**, the most powerful in the world, located at **Cape of Good Hope**. Continue on to **Boulder’s Island** to visit the African penguins.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Drive to **Stellenbosch**, the second oldest town in South Africa, known for its natural beauty and oak-lined avenues, Cape Dutch architecture, history and culture – and of course its wine routes. Stellenbosch – as it’s affectionately known – is a university town, so despite its heritage it retains a youthful vibe. Visit the

Neethlingshof Estate which lies in the heart of Stellenbosch, with a history dating back to 1705.

Later today return to Cape Town and visit **Robben Island** via a ferry ride across Table Bay. Robben Island is the infamous maximum security prison where Nelson Mandela spent 27 years of his life in exile.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Transfer from hotel to Cape Town International Airport for our flight to Hoedspruit Airport.

Upon arrival at Kruger Airport, transfer to the safari lodge (approximately 1 hour drive). After a late lunch at the lodge, we begin our safari adventures with an afternoon game drive which will continue into the early evening in order to view the nocturnal animals. Stop at sunset to enjoy the incredible sights and sounds of the African savannas and enjoy a sundowner drink and snacks before returning to the lodge for dinner.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 & 11

Begin the next two days with early morning wakeup calls and coffee and snacks served before our safari guide escorts us to our open safari vehicles for a morning game drive. Watch the incredible sunrise over the plains and see the animals beginning to stir. Stop mid way through the drive to enjoy coffee and pastries. Return to the lodge and enjoy a hearty breakfast and the remaining morning is at leisure or enjoy a guided bush walk with a safari guide.

Lunch is served at approximately 1:00pm and then depart for an afternoon game drive at approximately 3:30 PM. The search continues to spot the “Big 5” of Kruger Park and learn about the incredible intelligence of the animals of the park as the guide explains their behaviour. After sunset, return to the lodge for dinner.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Early morning transfer to Kruger Airport for a flight to Livingstone, Zambia and then transfer to the hotel. Later this afternoon, enjoy a Sundowner **Cruise on the Zambezi River**

where we will heed the call of Africa while enjoying snacks and beverages.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Depart to the launch site for a short boat ride on the Zambezi river to visit **Livingstone Island**. Livingstone Island is located in the middle of the Zambezi River right on the edge of the Victoria Falls just before the water thunders down a 338 feet drop. For the brave at heart, a swim in Devil's Pool is a must do!

Cross the border from Zambia to Zimbabwe to view **Victoria Falls**, one of the seven natural wonders of the world. Learn from a guide how the falls were formed and what local customs and traditions surround them.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

After breakfast, cross the borders to **Botswana** and transfer to a safari lodge located on the banks of **Chobe River**. The Chobe River supports the largest concentration of elephants found anywhere in Africa and it is not uncommon to encounter herds in excess of a hundred animals.

After lunch, depart on an afternoon safari. This will either be a boat safari on the Chobe River or a 4x4 open vehicle safari in the

Chobe National Park. Each game viewing activity will provide incredible viewing of animal and bird life along the river. Watch as elephants swim across the river and hippos grunt and frolic in the water.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Early morning wakeup call to begin the day with the beautiful sunrise and begin our safari drive with our guide. Return to the lodge and enjoy breakfast and leisure time before lunch.

Depart for a final afternoon safari activity, either by boat on the Chobe River or a 4x4 open vehicle through Chobe National Park. Return to the lodge after an amazing sunset for a farewell dinner.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Enjoy one last early morning safari on the Chobe River or in the Chobe National Park before transfer to the Kasasne Airport for a flight to Johannesburg International Airport.

International Flight departs Johannesburg at approximately 8:00PM with a layover in Atlanta and arriving in Houston at approximately 10:00am Saturday Morning.

GENERAL INFORMATION/TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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WHAT'S INCLUDED

- **Hotels and Safari Lodges** - 11 nights of accommodations based on double occupancy.
- **Meals** - Breakfast daily, 6 lunches and 6 dinners.
- **Sightseeing** - 3 days Cape Town and 1 day Victoria Falls sightseeing in modern deluxe air-conditioned coach with licensed guide.
- **Safari Game Drives** – 9 game drives (either in 4x 4 safari vehicle or motorized boat) with a professional guide\trekker through Kruger National Park and Chobe National Park
- **Entrance Fees\Visas** - All required entrance fees and visas as needed
- **All Tips, Taxes & Portage** (one suitcase per person)
- **Service Charges and Government Taxes** in effect as of date of tour
- **Meeting Assistance and Transfers** on arrival and departure
- **Airfare** - Round trip from Houston to Cape Town and Johannesburg to Houston
- **Intra Africa Flights** – 3 on tour flights throughout Africa

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- 6 lunches
- 6 dinners
- Other personal expenses incurred while traveling

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Tour is limited to 18 participants
- Passports must be valid for at least 6 months AFTER the date of arrival in Africa.
- The Center for Disease Control advises all travellers to South Africa and surrounding countries to be immunized for Typhoid

Fever and begin taking anti malaria medication prior to travelling.

- There will be no refund for unconsumed hotel meals or unused entrance fees. The itinerary as listed is subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of Prelude Tours.

TRIP CANCELLATION INSURANCE

Travel insurance is highly recommended to safeguard your trip investment from unforeseen circumstances. Insurance must be purchased within 14 days of registration to cover **existing** medical conditions. Visit www.preludetours.com for more information on travel insurance.

PAYMENTS AND CONDITIONS

- **Total Trip Cost: \$8,395.00**
- \$595.00 non-refundable deposit due upon registration
- \$3,900.00 due Wednesday, January 15, 2022
- \$3,900.00 due Wednesday, May 15, 2022 (FINAL PAYMENT)
- Land Only Cost: \$6,695.00

CANCELLATION POLICY

(Cancellation requests must be submitted in writing)

- Prior to October 1, 2021 - no cancellation fee
- October 2, 2021 - May 14, 2022 - cancellation fee of \$3,700 per person
- After May 15, 2022 – No refunds.

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