

PROPOSED SOUTH AFRICA EXPERIENCE SPECIALLY PREPARED FOR THE DREAM VACATIONS GROUP (MAY 20 – MAY 28, 2023)

LAND ONLY – includes a South Africa domestic flight

May 20, 2023/Day 1

Arrive Cape Town

On arrival at Cape Town International Airport, you will be met by a **Lion World Travel representative** and transferred to the Commodore Hotel.

The cosmopolitan city of Cape Town is the most popular tourist destination in South Africa due to its good climate, rich history, culture and scenic beauty, world class restaurants, nightlife, and shopping.



Cape Town aerial view

The 4-star **Commodore Hotel** exemplifies deluxe accommodation, stylish living, and quality service, overlooking the Victoria and Alfred Waterfront, with views of Table Mountain, Robben Island, the Harbor, and the Atlantic Ocean. Well situated just a short walk from the vibrant Waterfront that offers shopping, entertainment, and a multitude of restaurants. All rooms have individual air conditioning, tea and coffee making facilities, hair dryers, 24-hour room service and personalized safes.

Accommodation: Commodore Hotel - Standard Rooms

May 21, 2023/Day 2

Cape Town

After breakfast, you will be taken on a **private full day Peninsula tour including Table Mountain**.

Take the cable car (tickets provided) to the top of Table Mountain for panoramic views of the city (weather dependent). The world-famous landmark is 3,258 feet above sea level, and the mountain itself is a national monument. From the summit you can marvel at the awe-inspiring



360-degree view of the city. Later, ride the cable car down the mountain and depart on the Cape Peninsula Tour.



Table Mountain

On this tour you will see why the area earned the name of The Fairest Cape. Sit back and relax, as you're driven along the exquisite stretch of coastline known as Millionaire's Paradise – from Clifton to Camps Bay, to the exclusive beach hamlet of Llandudno – towards the charming working harbour of Hout Bay where you can embark on an up-close-and-personal Seal Island cruise lasting about 45 minutes if you choose to (for your own account). If you choose not to do the cruise you will have time to browse the shops and markets and perhaps enjoy a morning coffee at one of the restaurants at Mariners Wharf – the first harbor-front emporium in Africa. You then wind your way along the legendary Chapman's Peak Drive, hugging the cliffs and relishing the breathtaking ocean views. After a stop for lunch (your own account), visit the wild and beautiful Cape of Good Hope Section of the Table Mountain National Park, an integral part of the world-renowned Cape Floral Kingdom. You will have the opportunity to ride the Flying Dutchman funicular (tickets provided) to the old lighthouse for awe-inspiring views!



Cape Peninsula Scenery

After, you will head back along the coast towards the city, visiting the historic naval port of Simon's Town and the endearing African penguin colony at Boulder's Beach (tickets provided).



Boulders Beach Penguins

Next, you will head inland to the last stop of the day. In the winter months (May 1st to Aug 31st), the last stop is at Groot Constantia where you will stop for a wine tasting and cellar tour of South Africa's oldest wine estate.

Accommodation: Commodore Hotel - Standard Rooms (B)

May 22, 2023/Day 3

Cape Town

After breakfast, please take the short walk from your hotel to the nearby Jetty at the Clock Tower in the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront. Board the ferry for the half hour boat ride to **Robben Island** for the half day tour, cruel home of Nelson Mandela for many years. (Robben Island ferry tickets provided)



Robben Island Prison Cell

Robben Island is now a World Heritage Site with stunning views across the bay with Table Mountain as its backdrop. For nearly 400 years Robben Island, 7½miles/12kms off the coast from Cape Town was a place of banishment, exile, isolation and imprisonment. It is a highly charged and emotional moment when you visit the site of this suffering and realize how far South Africa has come from those days.

On your return to the Jetty at the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront, the rest of the day is at leisure.

Accommodation: Commodore Hotel - Standard Rooms (B)

May 23, 2023/Day 4

Cape Town/Winlands

After breakfast, you will be transferred from your hotel to the Oude Werf Hotel in the beautiful Winelands region. Spend 2-nights here on a bed and breakfast basis.

Oude Werf is South Africa's oldest hotel, built on the site of its first church of 1680 in the historic Wine 'capital' and university town of Stellenbosch. It is now a deluxe modern hotel that still retains its historic ambiance and easy, personal hospitality. The rooms are open-plan and overlook a shady central garden, or quiet vine-covered courtyard. All rooms are en-suite with a luxury shower; some also feature a separate bath. Ground floor rooms have shady garden patios, while rooms on the 2nd floor have step-out balconies.

This evening enjoy dinner at the hotel.

Accommodation: Oude Werf Hotel - Comfy Rooms (B, D)



May 24, 2023/Day 5

Winelands

After breakfast, you will be taken on a **private full day Winelands tour**.

This is a superb day exploring the exceptional Winelands region with its heavenly scenery. The area is rich with history, and you cannot help but feel it as you visit this region. Your first stop is in the quaint little town of Franschhoek where you will have leisure time. Take a short stroll down the main road in Franschhoek where you will find world-class shops and boutiques for a relaxed shopping experience. Whether you are looking for jewellery, designer clothing, artwork, a special gift, or chocolate you will find it there and much more.



Winelands

Enjoy lunch at Orangerie Restaurant at Le Lude Wine Estate. After lunch, you will participate in an hour-long Wine Blending Experience at Rickety Bridge Winery. This interactive blending experience offers something to both wine novices and enthusiasts alike. The wine blending session will give you a chance to experience a crucial part of the wine making process. Then continue to Antonji Rupert Wine Estate for a Mini High Tea Pairing before you return to the hotel.

Accommodation: Oude Werf Hotel - Comfy Rooms (B. L)

May 25, 2023/Day 6

Winelands/Johannesburg/Pilanesberg

After breakfast, transfer from the Oude Werf Hotel to Cape Town Airport for your flight to Johannesburg.

DEPART CAPE TOWN

ARRIVE JOHANNESBURG

*Flight will be booked by Lion World Travel

On arrival at Johannesburg Airport, you will be met and transferred to Ivory Tree Game Lodge in Pilanesberg National Park, where you will spend 3-nights including all meals and twice daily game viewing activities.

Ivory Tree Game Lodge offers **5-star** accommodations in the malaria free 'Big Five', **Pilanesberg National Park**. All the suites open onto patios and the rooms are decorated to ensure comfort both indoors and out. Rooms offer air conditioners which provide heating and cooling, en-suite



bathroom and outside shower, tea and coffee making facilities and a mini bar fridge. There is a full-service spa and an outdoor pool. Wireless Internet access is available.



Lioness and Cub

Set off on your first open vehicle game drive in Pilanesberg National Park this afternoon – sure to be an exciting experience!

Remember to take:

A light sweater, insect repellent, your camera, and binoculars!



Elephants

Accommodation: Ivory Tree Game Lodge - Standard Rooms (B, L, D)

May 26, 2023/Day 7

Pilanesberg National Park

Spend the day on exciting dawn and dusk game drives! As the sun breaks over the African bushveld, venture out into the scenic Pilanesberg National Park where an abundance of wildlife proliferates and the 'Big Five' – Lion, Elephant, Rhino, Buffalo and Leopard - are a common sight.



Giraffe

All safaris are conducted in specially designed 10-Seater game viewing vehicles. An abundance of wildlife flourishes in this diverse bushveld terrain.



Leopard

Accommodation: Ivory Tree Game Lodge - Standard Rooms (B, L, D)

May 27, 2023/Day 8

Pilanesberg National Park

Make the most of your last day of morning and afternoon game viewing in this wildlife paradise, where you can observe the animals in their natural environment.



Cheetah and Cubs

Observe the animals roaming freely in their natural environment.



Leopard

The park is home to large populations of lion, leopard, black and white rhino, elephant, and buffalo - Africa's 'Big Five' and a bird count in excess of 280 species.

This evening, transfer to Sun City where you will have **dinner** at Maltos Restaurant or similar.

Sun City is South Africa's premier holiday resort and offers a multitude of attractions and activities, with golf, gambling, and world class hotels. The huge range of sporting and leisure facilities include floodlit tennis courts, horse riding, nature trails, and lawn bowls, as well as jet skiing, parasailing, windsurfing, water-skiing and sunset cruising at Waterworld. The Valley of the Waves offers surfing on two-meter-high waves to the relaxing lazy river ride. Sun City has one of the largest casinos in the Southern Hemisphere and offers the thrill of glamorous dancers and exciting novelty acts. The many shops offer curios, clothing, jewellery, and souvenirs. The two 18-hole championship golf courses at Sun City challenge all types of golfers, and there are real crocodiles in the water feature at the 13th hole!

Please Note: The transfer back to Ivory Tree Game Lodge after dinner at Sun City is approximately 40 minutes in duration because you have to drive around the reserve (you will not be allowed to drive through Pilanesberg National Park on the return leg).

Accommodation: Ivory Tree Game Lodge - Standard Rooms (B, L, D)

May 28, 2023/Day 9

Pilanesberg/Johannesburg/Depart

Bid farewell to the country that has given you such an interesting experience as you transfer from your hotel to Johannesburg O R Tambo International Airport for your departure flight. **(B)**

END OF SERVICES

B = Breakfast

L = Lunch

D = Dinner

LAND ONLY RATES

- **USD \$3,410 (Rate is per person based on double occupancy)**
- **Single Rate \$4,302**

MONTHLY PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

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| • Initial Cabin Deposit (due at time of booking): | \$250.00/Per person |
| • Second Payment (04/15/2022) | \$250.00/Per person |
| • Third Payment (05/15/2022) | \$250.00/Per person |
| • Fourth Payment (06/16/2022) | \$250.00/Per person |
| • Fifth Payment (07/15/2022) | \$250.00/Per person |
| • Six Payment (08/01/2022) | \$250.00/Per person |
| • Seventh Payment (09/15/2022) | \$250.00/Per person |
| • Ninth Payment (10/14/2022) | \$250.00/Per person |
| • Final Payment (11/15/2022) | Remaining balance due |

To book your trip, contact:

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Cancellation Policy will be as follows:

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| • 8/1/2022 to 9/30/2022 | 25% of land cost |
| • 10/1/2022 to 11/30/2022: | 50% of land cost |
| • 12/1/2022 to 1/31/2023: | 75% of land cost |
| • 2/1/2023 to 3/23/2023: | 100% of land cost |

INCLUDES:

- South Africa domestic flight: Cape Town/Johannesburg
- Meet & Greet service at Airports
- Accommodation as specified
- Meals as specified
- 24-hour service of our Africa Customer Officer
- The services of a local qualified and registered guide to accompany the group on transfers and tours in South Africa
- The group will be accompanied by qualified and registered local English-speaking guide on their transfers and tours in Cape Town and on their return transfers between O R Tambo International Airport and the Pilanesberg
- COMMODORE HOTEL: Standard Rooms on a Bed and Breakfast basis
- IVORY TREE GAME LODGE: Standard Rooms on a Full Board basis, including 2 x game drives daily
- Hotel & Airport portorage
- Lion World Travel Representative Meet and Greet upon arrival

NOT INCLUDED:

- International flights
- Items of a personal nature such as drinks, laundry, telephone calls, etc.
- All other services not mentioned
- Gratuities/Tips for game rangers/trackers, drivers, and tour guides
- Costs of obtaining passports and/or visas
- Travel Protection (See attached) Trip Cancellation, Interruption and Medical Insurance – **please note that insurance for this trip is a mandatory requirement from suppliers in Africa, must be purchased at time of booking – proof of insurance must be provided before bookings are confirmed.** It is your personal responsibility to ensure you have enough travel insurance coverage from the **provider of your choice.**

PLEASE NOTE:

- **Visas: United States of America** passport holders will be issued with an entry permit valid for 90 days upon arrival into **South Africa**. The South African Government requires that you do have at least two blank visa pages in your passport for a visitor's entry & exit permit to be stamped onto – please see additional information below. On arrival into Johannesburg, please clear Immigration from the Foreign Passport holder's channels.
- **Passports:** Please ensure that you are in possession of a **valid passport** with at least **TWO BLANK PAGES** marked “VISA” and that this is valid for **at least 6 months** after your intended return date from South Africa. If you are visiting other countries, please establish entry requirements and have additional blank visa pages for those countries as well. **In accordance with South African government regulations, boarding will be denied should you not have the correct number of pages in your passport.**



- **COVID protocols:** All travellers are required to be fully vaccinated to book onto the trip (**1st & 2nd dose only**). Masks are still required on all flights and in all indoor public setting including hotels and lodges.
- Please check the following government site for **information for US Citizens traveling abroad:**
US citizens: <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/SouthAfrica.html>
- **Traveling with children:** if you are traveling to South Africa with a child/children under the age of 18 please check with your Africa Specialist as to what documentation is required as different rules apply depending on a number of variables. Generally, if both parents with the same last name as the child(ren) are traveling together with the child(ren), the only necessary document for the child(ren) is a valid passport. However, in some case **unabridged birth certificates** might be required and as these regulations can change without notice, we do suggest all children under 18 travels with an unabridged birth certificate. If a single parent is traveling with the child(ren), as well as an unabridged birth certificate (in English), an **affidavit (a declaration of facts) in English** from the other parent registered as a parent on the birth certificate of the child(ren) authorising him or her to travel must be produced too. They should also have a certified copy of the parent not traveling's passport. Children traveling with guardians including but limited to grandparents, teachers, coaches etc. should have all of the above. Airlines will be forced to deny boarding if the required documentation is not produced.
- ***Please note this regulation changes frequently and without notice – we suggest you travel with the documents to avoid possible issues***
- **Valuables:** Some areas you visit will be quite poor by our standards and it is thoughtless to flash money or jewellery. We urge you to **leave valuables, passports etc. in hotel safes** or with camp managers at lodges that do not provide safes.
- **Luggage:**
International flights – economy class:
Some international airlines allow two (2) pieces of checked luggage weighing no more than 23kg/50lbs on Trans-Atlantic flights.

KLM, British Airways and in some cases Kenya Airways only allow ONE (1) piece of checked luggage weighing not more than 23kg/50lbs.

Domestic flights in South Africa: If your domestic flights are issued as part of your international air ticket, the same allowance as on the international ticket will apply. If your domestic flights are issued on separate tickets, most airlines will have a luggage restriction of one piece of checked luggage weighing no more than **23kg/50lb**. Your Africa Specialist will be able to tell you which rule would apply to your tickets. Always go with the most restrictive rules to avoid having to either pay for excess luggage or be asked to leave items behind.

Irregular shaped luggage and luggage with long straps that cannot detach may need to be wrapped (this is a payable service offered at major airports) if they are to be checked.

Hand / carry-on luggage should weigh no more than **8kg/17lb** with dimensions not exceeding 56cm x 36cm x 23cm, total dimensions of 115cm (22 inches x 14 inches x 9 inches, total dimensions of forty-five inches). You can also carry a slim line laptop bag or small purse. Exceeding the carry-on restrictions will result in you being sent back to the check in counters and checking the bag.



- **Johannesburg Airport Luggage Storage:** Storage is located on BASEMENT LEVEL 1 From International Arrivals head towards the Exit, take escalators down one level, and Luggage Storage is on your left. Rate is ZAR 100.00 per bag per day; payment is CASH ONLY (no credit card facilities) at time of drop off.
- **Airport Lounges in South Africa:** O R Tambo Airport in Johannesburg, Cape Town Airport and King Shaka Airport in Durban all have Bidvest Premier Lounges that have agreements with various airlines and corporate clients e.g., Diners Club, Priority Pass, etc. which allow the card holder access based on the terms and conditions set by the respective issuing company. Cash visits are also welcome.

Walk-In Rates (payable at the lounge – prices below are valid until January 31st, 2022). Domestic R247.00: valid for two hours prior to your scheduled flight departure time. International R413.00: valid for four hours prior to your scheduled flight departure time. Pre-purchasing the access online is slightly less expensive – please let us know if you would like us to collect your payment and purchase the access on your behalf.

- **Photography/Security:** Do not take photographs of the local people without their permission. Never take photographs of military, military institutions, armed forces barracks, police officers, the President, Government officials or airports.
- **Import regulations:** Please note that the import of meat or any products thereof (dried, canned etc.), plants, seeds, vegetables, fruits, livestock, endangered wildlife species and products thereof (for example clothing and accessories) into the United States and Canada is prohibited. This includes Ostrich eggs and animal skins for sale in Africa!
- **USA Security:** You may be asked to turn on any electronic or battery powered devices such as telephones, tablets, e-books, and laptops in front of airport security teams and /or demonstrate the item's functionality. Please make sure you do all you can to ensure that items are fully powered before arriving at the airport, items may be confiscated if you are not able to demonstrate their functionality.