

ITINERARY: 12 NIGHT/13 DAY TOUR – GARDEN ROUTE – WINELANDS – CAPE TOWN

DATES: November 2019

Day 1: 8 Nov 2019 - Arrival Port Elizabeth|

14:55 Arrival at Port Elizabeth airport. Upon arrival into Port Elizabeth Airport the group will be met by a Tourvest English speaking guide who will assist the group to the transfer vehicle.

Transfer by a coach to your hotel in Port Elizabeth. Check in at the Beach Hotel.



The Beach Hotel is one Port Elizabeth's finest family Hotel, situated on Port Elizabeth's magnificent beachfront, directly opposite Hobie Beach and next to the Boardwalk Casino and Entertainment Complex. The Beach Hotel combines splendid service with quality accommodation, stylish cuisine and facilities for a perfect family holiday, business trip or relaxing getaway. The stunning four-star hotel offers homely comfort in its 58 spacious, en-suite bedrooms, some with stunning sea-views and others opening onto the tranquil courtyard. Guests are spoilt with choice, offering 3 onsite restaurants to suit everyone's palate. Enjoy a relaxing environment, sipping a cocktail white overlooking the ocean at The Verandah restaurant, or indulge in our famous buffets at The Crest. Resident foodies

will love the fine dining cuisine at Ginger, voted one of the best restaurants in Port Elizabeth, it is definitely a must.

After check in time at leisure until dinner.

19h00 Dinner tonight will be at Ginger Restaurant which is located at the Beach Hotel



We invite you to sit back, relax and enjoy the beautiful sights and sounds of the sea whilst our top-chef prepares you a delectable meal using the finest and freshest ingredients. Ginger's heritage stems from The Bell Restaurant which was established in 1963. Ginger was built for the public and has evolved into a fusion between elegant chic and contemporary fine fare.

Overnight accommodation at The Beach Hotel

**Overnight at Beach hotel | Standard Room | Bed and breakfast basis
Meals Included: Dinner**

Day 2: 9 Nov 2019 - Port Elizabeth – Kariega Game Reserve

07h00 to 08h00 Breakfast at the hotel. After breakfast, check out and meet guide at reception to begin your tour.

09h00 The guide will be ready at reception to take the group on a half day City and Township tour – The Calabash Tour

The Calabash tour gives a great perspective on the development of cities in South Africa, and explores the history of all of the people. It covers the city centre, with its English heritage, and proceeds to the townships – where 75% – of residents live. Expect to be surprised by the diversity of the townships. Yes, you will see some shack dwellings (for now) but more importantly you will see new housing development and middle class areas too. We will dispel the myths about townships being shack-lands of poverty and hopelessness. The guides are locals; love to share their life experiences and their Xhosa Culture. Townships are the heart of urban African life. They're a repository of history, culture and life stories. They're vibrant, heart-breaking, heart-warming, resilient, cohesive, and dynamic.

11h30 After the tour travel to Kariega Game Reserve – approximately 2 hours' drive.

13h30 Estimated arrival time and check in at uKhozi Lodge at Kariega Game Reserve.

Kariega Game Reserve – Ukhozi Lodge

Ukhozi Lodge truly captures the romance and intimacy of Africa. Superbly sculptured from stone, wood and glass, this stylish and uniquely designed lodge forms idyllic spaces and nestles subtly into the landscape. Views are spectacular and the beautiful rim-flow pool on the valley edge is simply iconic – offering guests an unequalled panoramic view of the river plains teeming with wild animals. Meandering bush paths connect 10 luxurious suites, each offering complete privacy with their own breath-taking vistas and private plunge pools.

Safari Lodge Suites: 10 luxury suites with a private plunge pool and deck offering panoramic views of the valley. Each suite enjoys a spacious en-suite bathroom and is fully air-conditioned.

14h00 Lunch at the lodge after check in

16h00: Depart for an evening game drive and sundowners.

19h30: Return to the lodge for your evening meal in either the Boma or the restaurant.

Overnight at Kariega Ukhozi Lodge | Standard Room | Full board + 2 Game Drives

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Day 3: 10 Nov 2019 – Kariega Game Reserve

06h00: Tea, coffee and a snack. Depart for an early morning game drive or perhaps a river cruise.

10h00: Return to your lodge for a late, but hearty breakfast/brunch.

11h00: Enjoy a bush walk, a spa treatment, go canoeing, have a swim, or just relax or siesta.

14h30: Savor the flavors of our well-earned afternoon eats.

16h00: Depart for an evening game drive and sundowners.

19h30: Return to the lodge for your evening meal in either the boma or the restaurant.

Overnight at Kariega Ukhozi Lodge | Standard Room | Full board + 2 Game Drives

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Day 4: 11 Nov 2019– Kariega - Plettenberg Bay

06h00: Tea, coffee and a snack. Depart for an early morning game drive or perhaps a river cruise.

10h00: Return to your lodge for a late, but hearty breakfast/brunch.

11h00 - Depart after breakfast and travel to the Tsitsikamma National park – approximately 3 hour's drive.

The Garden Route features lush forests, blue ocean waters and rugged mountain peaks. It was named for its indigenous fynbos and other plant species. The tour's first stop is at Storm's River. Guests enjoy a short walk and sweeping views from the suspension bridge spanned across the Storm's River Mouth.

14h00 - Enjoy lunch at the Cattle Baron Restaurant in the Tsitsikamma Forest area, an indigenous forest where the Knysna Elephant once roamed freely. This forest is home to century-old trees including the Yellowwood, Stinkwood and Ironwood

16h00 – Depart from Tsitsikamma and travel to Plettenberg Bay – approximately 50 minutes' drive

Check in at Lairds Lodge in Plettenberg Bay



Located between the coastal towns of Knysna and Plettenberg Bay, Laird's Lodge offers guests a getaway along the South Africa's popular Garden Route. The Lodge's Cape Dutch-style homestead is set on a 24-acre estate and delivers traditional South African hospitality and luxury accommodation. Since opening its doors over 20 years ago, Laird's Lodge has established itself as a favorite retreat for guests who appreciate true country living. Laird's Lodge is ideally situated to offer access to our area's famous forests, beaches and golf courses, while the Garden Route Nature Reserve area and nearby animal sanctuaries offer a multitude of activity options.

19h30 - Dinner with wine tasting at Lairds Lodge

In the evenings pre-dinner drinks can be enjoyed outdoors in the courtyard or indoors in the casual brandy lounge. Our kitchen makes the most of the local produce available and specialises in game and seafood dishes, our menu is considered one of the finest in the Garden Route. Dinner is a sociable four course affair and can be served in the traditional dining room or in the wine cellar for a more intimate experience. Join other guests, around our large 10-12 seater tables or choose to sit separately. Local Cape wines are paired with every meal, resulting in a truly South African dining experience. Shanon our wine ambassador is on hand to assist and advise on his selection of South African wines on our wine list.

Overnight at Lairds Lodge | Luxury Room | Bed and breakfast basis

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Day 5: 12 Nov 2019– Plettenberg Bay

Breakfast at the hotel

09h30 Transfer to Ocean Blue Adventures Shop

10h00 - This morning enjoy a dolphin watching/eco marine tour with Ocean Blue Adventures

Passengers are asked to check in at the Ocean Blue Adventures Shop, which is located in the Milkwood Centre, Hopwood Street, Plettenberg Bay, approximately 30 minutes before the planned departure time.

Prior to departure, clients will be equipped with life-jackets (and ponchos, if necessary). Once this is done, all passengers will have a Pre-Trip Briefing, where your guide will explain the trips and safety aspects.

Once passengers have boarded their boat, the trip commences with an exciting beach launch through the surf. While the routes may vary, depending on weather, animal distribution and sea conditions, a typical trip runs as follows:-

Prior to launching, your skipper will have determined the route with the highest likelihood of spotting whales.

Most recently, our highest success rate is to head offshore to what we refer to as the Humpback Highway. This is a passage of water from the Robberg Point across to Natures Valley and the Tsitsikamma Marine Reserve, where migrating humpback whales are often encountered en route to their breeding or feeding grounds.

Occasionally we also head along the Keurbooms Beach in search of breeding groups of Southern Right Whales. This area is also a popular hang-out for Bottlenose and Indo-Pacific Humpback Dolphins.

Depending on time constraints and location of whales, we also try to visit the Cape Fur Seal colony at Robberg Peninsula, with a chance of spotting endangered Great White Sharks.

Finally we head back along the Robberg beach, while a brief run-down on the history of the area is given.

After passing the Beacon Island Hotel, built on the site of an original Whaling Station, we end the experience with an exhilarating "James Bond" style landing on Central Beach.

Trip duration is 1.5 – 2 hours.

N.B. ALL TOURS AND ENCOUNTERS WITH MARINE MAMMALS ARE CONDUCTED STRICTLY ACCORDING TO CURRENT REGULATIONS AND CONSERVATION GUIDELINES.

Duration 1 hour 30 minutes

When: June to November

Where :Ocean Blue Adventures office situated in the Milkwood Centre, Hopwood street, 15 minutes prior to the departure time.

Weather: Tours subject to suitable weather/sea conditions. If conditions are unsuitable, alternatives are:

- a) Re-scheduling
- b) 100% Refund

What to Wear: Wind Breaker and warm Clothes.

Things to Bring: Camera

Guests or Spectators: No spectators allowed, only paying guests allowed on the boat.

- Inclusions: Include a bottle of mineral water per person.
- Exclusions: We cannot guarantee sighting

After the tour transfer to the Seafood Restaurant at The Plettenberg Hotel for Lunch

13h00 – Lunch at the Plettenberg.

Set in a contemporary environment, Seafood at The Plettenberg draws hotel guests and locals alike to what Group Executive Chef Peter Tempelhoff calls 'The Collection restaurant with the best view'.

The indoor dining section offers beautiful views of the pool and ocean, while the outdoor terrace is perfect for alfresco dinners, with mesmerising ocean vistas – especially at sunset.

True to its name, the restaurant is renowned for its ocean bounty, drawing inspiration from the rich marine life that can be found in Plettenberg Bay. The kitchen team, headed up by Head Chef Richie Rorich, prepares innovative, sustainable seafood dishes, together with a wide selection of meats and vegetables. Working closely with local suppliers, ingredients are always seasonal and kept at a superb level of quality.

The afternoon is at leisure to take a walk on the beach or relax at the hotel.



After lunch transfer back to Lairds Lodge.

Dinner under own arrangements

Overnight at Lairds Lodge | Luxury Room – 4* | Bed and breakfast basis

Meals Included: Breakfast & Lunch

Day 6: 13 Nov 2019 – Plettenberg – Hermanus

Breakfast at the hotel.

09h00 Check out and travel to Knysna (approximately 30 minutes' drive) to view the Knysna Heads and the Lagoon

10h30 From Knysna travel to Mossel Bay - approximately 1 hour 30 minutes' drive.

12h30 Estimated arrival in Mossel Bay

12h00 – 13h30 Stop for lunch in Mossel Bay at Delfinos Restaurant.

After lunch travel from Mossel Bay to Hermanus – approximately 3 ½ hours' drive.

17h00 – estimated arrival in Hermanus and check in at the Marine Hotel

The Marine is one of South Africa's most spectacular seaside hotels. Located on Hermanus' famous cliff path, overlooking the breathtaking Walker Bay in the Western Cape's Overberg region, the hotel is the ultimate location for whale watching during whale season – often directly from the comfort of the sea view bedrooms.

Offering guests an experience beyond expectation, here luxury accommodation options abound, culinary journeys are crafted and memorable moments shine through.

19h30 - Dinner at the hotel at the Origins Restaurant. At the vibrant Origins at The Marine restaurant, guests can expect relaxed social dining in the comfortable surrounds of a modern, kitchen-focused restaurant.

Overnight accommodation | The Marine – 5* | Sea Facing Room | Bed & Breakfast

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Day 7: 14 Nov 2019 - Hermanus – Franschhoek

Breakfast at the hotel.

09h00 Check out and travel to Franschhoek in the Winelands area via the Whale Route along the Whale Route coast – approximately 2 hour's drive.

11h00 Stop at Hidden Valley Wine Estate

About Hidden Valley...



Our vineyards, situated on the northern slopes of the Helderberg Mountains in Stellenbosch, are planted on ancient, decomposed granite soils, consisting of deep fertile Oakleaf and Tukulu profiles. This wonderful soil (and the fact that we are 269m above sea level) together with the cool sea breeze result in a very unique and extremely sought after terroir.

Our vineyards were planted in 2002 with the most recent being planted in 2016. This means that the latest planting material and most up to date planting methods were used. The vineyards were planted with great care and all trellised on a double Perold system.

Hidden Valley Wines has also planted 3000 olive trees, a decision which was driven by intuition and passion for the tree and the versatility of its fruits. The fertile soils on the farm made a perfect home for these trees and they grew vigorously. A fusion of table and oil varieties now makes

up the beautiful silver textured environment around the impressive stonewalls of the wine cellar.

We produce table olives (Nocellara del Belice and Calamata) as well as olives for pressing of olive oil.

11h00 – 12h00 Wine tasting at Hidden Valley Estate

12h00 – 14h00 Followed by lunch at Overture Restaurant.



In November 2007 Overture Restaurant, situated on Hidden Valley Wines - a wine farm anchored into the side of the Stellenbosch hills - opened its doors for the very first time. Starting from humble beginnings, Overture Restaurant soon became a destination for great food, service and wines. Since then, Chef Owner Bertus Basson has taken Overture Restaurant to new heights.

This picturesque winelands restaurant has regularly been awarded prestigious accolades from both the Eat Out Guide and Rossouws Restaurant Guide. The custodians of your modern South African dining experience are Mathias Heinz, who runs the floor, Drikus Brink as head chef and all is overseen by chef patron, Bertus Basson.

14h30 - After lunch transfer to your hotel.

15h30 Check in at **Le Franschhoek Hotel & Spa**

Nestled in the heart of the Cape Winelands, Le Franschhoek Hotel and Spa sits quiet and unassuming— surrounded by magnificent mountain vistas. Ease into pure luxury, and be treated to elegant finishes and careful attention to detail. Bordered by leafy vineyards in the small town of Franschhoek, Le Franschhoek Hotel offers a remarkable selection of inspiring venues, delectable restaurants, and indulgent spa treatments, to present luxurious hotel accommodation at its best. With picturesque vineyards a stone's throw away, the sophisticated charm of Le Franschhoek Hotel & Spa is elegantly portrayed in their fine dining eatery – Savage Restaurant. Offering diners an opportunity to indulge in a scrumptious a' la carte menu, it is one of the most renowned Franschhoek restaurants, complemented by warm service, and picturesque placement. The menu is seasonal and under direction of our Executive Head Chef. In addition to the wonderful array at Savage Restaurant, Le Franschhoek Hotel & Spa also offers guests the accompanying Terrace Bar and Lounge areas. With a selection of fine coffee and teas in the elegant lounge, and a fantastic choice of wine, beers, and cocktails at the stylish bar, it's perfect for before-dinner aperitifs, accompanied by the setting sun, or to end off a delectable meal. Choose to relax on the sunny terrace for some of the best winelands views on offer.

Dinner at leisure

**Overnight accommodation | Le Franschhoek Hotel | Deluxe Rooms | Bed & Breakfast
Meals Included: Breakfast, & Lunch**

Day 8: 15Nov 2019 - Franschhoek

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the Franschhoek wine tram station



09h00 Today we suggest the group book on the **Hop on – Hop off Franschhoek Wine Tram** (<http://winetram.co.za>) a great way for guest to enjoy many wine estates in Franschhoek.

Experience:

- Franschhoek Wine Tram currently offers eight hop-on hop-off lines to choose from each visiting a selection of wine estates showcasing a separate part of the Franschhoek Valley.
- Passengers board the tour at the ticket office located in the Franschhoek Village and are transported by a combination of tram and tram-bus around a loop of stops allowing passengers to hop-on hop-off at any of the stops.
- Each of the lines has a wide selection of wine estates to visit from boutique to marquee estates and each offers a unique perspective on the Franschhoek wine experience.

- Passengers will be transported by tram and open-air tram-bus around a loop of stops with a selection of wine estates to disembark at
- In addition to the wine tasting activities offered at each stop, several of the wine estates on the tour boast world-class restaurants serving lunches and picnics
- The tram or tram-bus passes each stop according to the timetable allowing passengers to hop-on hop-off at their convenience
- Wine purchased while on the tour can be handed over to the host for later collection at the end of the tour
- Please note that the open-sided single-decker tram operates on the Pink Line & Grey Line while the double-decker tram operates on the remaining lines

Note: A minimum of 20 guests must be booked in order to qualify for the group Experience tour however if less than 20 we will book one of the normal wine routes tours

Lunch included at one of the estates along the route.

Tour usually ends at 18h00. After the tour transfer back to the hotel.

Dinner under own arrangements

Overnight accommodation | Le Franschhoek Hotel | Deluxe Room | Bed & Breakfast

Meals Included: Breakfast & Lunch

Day 9: 16 Nov 2019 - Franschhoek – Stellenbosch

Breakfast at the hotel.

10h00 - Check out and travel to Stellenbosch

10h30 to 12h00 - Enjoy a walking tour of Stellenbosch town. Visit the Stellenbosch Museum.

Lunch under own arrangements at one of the restaurants in the centre of Stellenbosch

After lunch transfer to Lanzerac Hotel and check in.



As you enter the Lanzerac Wine Estate through its majestic Oak-lined driveway, you can almost feel time slow down and history settle around you. With 326 years behind its name, this Stellenbosch landmark boasts an old-world charm that is an unrivalled drawcard for day visitors and hotel guests alike. And now, thanks to an extensive refurbishment, the elegant Estate can lay claim to the best of both worlds – contemporary, sophisticated facilities, coupled with rich, Cape heritage.

From the magnificent Manor House, to the manicured gardens, rolling vineyards and the dramatic mountain backdrop, the Estate is the perfect setting for the many activities and facilities on offer. All of the guest areas have been designed for comfort, relaxation and countryside romance, graced with original artwork hung alongside a collection of timeless, antique furniture. The estate is home to a

number of unique spaces to suit your mood, whether you prefer to read your paper in the majestic Governor's hall, or socialise in our variety of restaurants and bars, we are committed to making your stay memorable.

Value Added Extras:

The Lanzerac Tasting Room:

Enjoy a wine tasting in the comfort of the well-appointed Tasting Room, or on the veranda overlooking the vineyards with breath-taking views of the valley. The Tasting Room is open seven days a week, and offers visitors a selection of informative tastings. As a Hotel guest, we invite you to enjoy a complimentary wine tasting and guided tour of the working wine cellar. No pre-booking is required as Hotel guests. The tasting room closes at 17h30 for tastings and at 18h00 for wine sales.

The Lanzerac Spa:

The Lanzerac Spa is conveniently located within walking distance of the Hotel and offers seven therapy rooms (including one couple's room and one disabled room), four mini manicure and pedicure treatment stations, two relaxation areas, two Rasul chambers complete with sensation showers, an in-door heated swimming pool, sauna and steam rooms, and mist rooms. There is also a fitness room for Hotel guests to utilize. The spa closes at 20h00 for treatments and at 21h00 for the facilities. As space is limited, pre-booking is essential

19h30 Dinner at the hotel – at the Manor Kitchen

Known equally through the years for award-winning wines and acclaimed restaurants, Lanzerac has established itself as one of Stellenbosch's top gourmet destinations. At the Manor Kitchen, guests can indulge in an opulent buffet breakfast or treat themselves to classical dinner dishes reimagined with contemporary influences and comprised of the very best local, seasonal ingredients. Diners will get a glimpse of the creativity that goes into preparing these appetizing meals through the large-scale windows that look in on the kitchen's operations. With craftsmanship and artistry, the chefs bring imaginative concepts into tangible forms, marrying the perfect balance of unique flavours and textures.

Accommodation | Lanzerac Hotel & Spa – 5* | Classic Room | Bed and breakfast basis

Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner

Day 10: 17 Nov 2019 - Stellenbosch - Cape Town

09h00 After breakfast depart Stellenbosch and travel through to Cape Town for morning tour including ride by cable car to the top of Table Mountain (weather permitting), view the Castle and Company gardens and visit the Bo-Kaap.

Group to drop off luggage at the Table Bay hotel before making their way to lunch at the V&A Waterfront. The Table Bay is also located at the V&A Waterfront



13h00 Lunch at a Belthazar restaurant at the V&A Waterfront. Belthazar is the recipient of several awards including “Best steakhouse in South Africa” and “Best restaurant on the Waterfront” and the recipient of “The Wine Spectator Award of Excellence” for having one of the most outstanding restaurant wine lists in the world. Belthazar only uses the freshest ingredients and prides itself in procuring only the very very best quality meat and seafood available internationally

After lunch group to make their way to the hotel for check in. Lunch is included in the programme.

The Table Bay Hotel



The Table Bay offers the ultimate in 5-star luxury hotel accommodation in Cape Town. Considered to be the best address in Cape Town, this sophisticated Sun International property was opened in May 1997 by former South African president, Nelson Mandela. As part of the **Sunlux Collection**, The Table Bay continues to set its own standards in international service, cuisine and luxury.

Dinner at the Victoria and Alfred Waterfront this evening is at your own arrangement.

Overnight accommodation: | Table Bay – 5* | Luxury Twin Mountain Facing Room | Bed and breakfast basis
Meals Included: Breakfast

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Days and evening at own leisure. For excursions in Cape Town, please contact

Globetrotter for more information.

Overnight accommodation: | Table Bay – 5* | Luxury Twin Mountain Facing Room | Bed and breakfast basis

Meals Included: Breakfast

Day 13: 20 Nov 2019 - Cape Town - Depart

Breakfast at the hotel and check out

14h30 Transfers to Cape Town Airport for your flight to Sweden.

Meals Included: Breakfast

Note: Above departure & arrival times are estimated and are subject to change

END OF SERVICES