Timeless South Africa All the Beauty of Cape Town, the Garden Route and the African Wilderness 10 DAYS/9 NIGHTS

On this 10 day self-drive/ guided holiday you will enjoy the diversity of Cape Town before setting off on a relaxing journey through the Garden Route finishing off in style with a luxurious stay in the malaria-free Kariega Game Reserve.

Highlights

Experience Africa's most beautiful city with its beautiful mountains and beaches, trendy coffee shops and fine restaurants, fascinating historical sites and diverse cultures

Relish the scenic splendor of the Garden Route with its stunning mountains and lagoons, forests and beaches, and enjoy the many, diverse attractions of one of South Africa's most treasured regions

Enjoy an authentic luxury African safari in a pristine private game reserve offering exceptional Big 5 game-viewing from open vehicles and river boat cruises

Day One

Arrive in Cape Town and transfer to THE PORTSWOOD hotel. Rental vehicle delivered. Afternoon at leisure.

Day Two

Full day at leisure to explore Cape Town. Perhaps take the ferry to Robben Island or the Cable car (weather permitting) to top of Table Mountain.

Day Three

Full day at leisure to explore Cape Town. Drive to the Cape Point Nature Reserve or enjoy a tasting in the Constantia Winelands.



THE PORTSWOOD HOTEL

Originally built as a convict station, today The PortsWood Hotel is the type of place where you're far more likely to want to extend your stay. Located at the V&A Waterfront, a mere 22km from Cape Town International Airport, the elegant PortsWood Hotel not only offers 103 superior rooms and a relaxed atmosphere, but a uniquely personal approach to service. This service commitment extends far beyond the leisure traveller to meet the demands of international business people. Of course, no stay would be complete without one of the Quarterdeck Restaurant's famous breakfasts or traditional Cape Malay dishes.





Day Four

Early breakfast. Drive to Oudtshoorn on Route 62 via Montagu and the Klein Karoo. Arrive at BUFFELSDRIFT GAME LODGE. Afternoon at leisure.

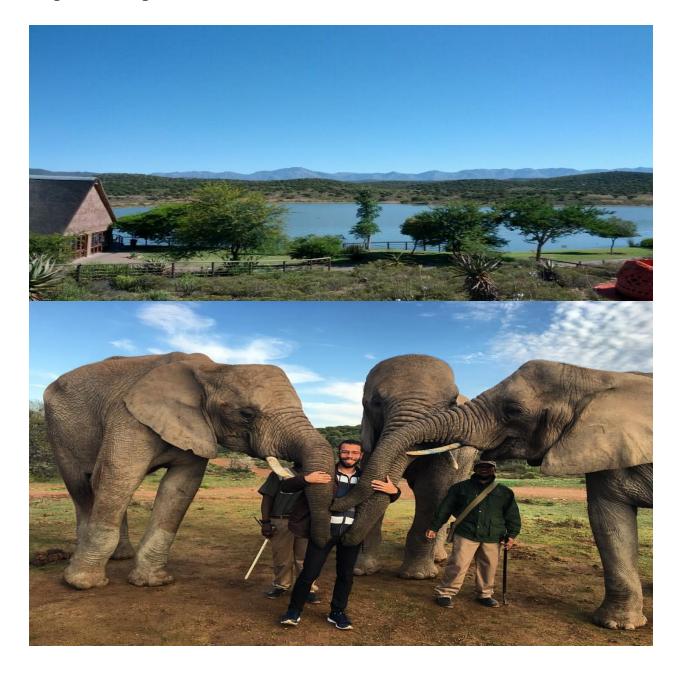
Day Five

Full day at leisure to explore Oudtshoorn, known as the "ostrich capital of the world". Visit the ancient Cango Caves or an ostrich farm.



BUFFELDRIFT GAME LODGE

Buffelsdrift Game Lodge is a sprawling game farm at the foot of the Swartberg Mountains, outside Oudtshoorn en route to the Cango Caves. The lodge offers a unique bushveld experience in the heart of the Klein Karoo, with a 5ha dam with hippos, over 217 species of bird, and more than 22 other types of animals. The luxury en-suite tents and much of the lodge are superbly situated on the edge of the waterhole, and guests can enjoy early morning or late afternoon bush safaris in open game viewing vehicles, as well as meerkat safaris.



Day Six

Leisurely breakfast. Take in the breathtaking views as you travel over the Outeniqua Pass to George and onward to Knysna via Wilderness and Sedgefield. Arrive at the REX HOTEL. Afternoon at leisure.

Day Seven

Full day at leisure to explore Knysna. Why not board a ferry to the Featherbed Nature Reserve?



REX HOTEL STANDARD

The Rex Hotel is renowned for its chic urban style and impeccable service. Located in the vibrant seaside town of Knysna and surrounded by beaches, forests and lakes – this elegant retreat is the perfect base from which to explore all the attractions of the world-famous Garden Route. Whether you're a foodie, a golfer, a wildlife enthusiast or an adventure-seeker, there are plenty of experiences in store for you!

Accommodation at the Rex is inspired by a mix of contemporary and classic décor, featuring calming colors and plush fabrics. Every modern comfort is available in our beautifully appointed rooms, suites and apartments – with accommodation options available to suit your budget and the size of your group.

The Rose Café is the Rex's fabulous dining establishment, where guests are treated to excellent service and superb cuisine. The menu features a mélange of dishes from the Greater Mediterranean which have been influenced by North Africa, the Middle East and the vast culinary treasures of South Africa. Whether you're a vegetarian, vegan or have other special dietary requirements – the chefs will cater for your needs.

Other notable hotel features include an outdoor terrace area for al fresco refreshments, a hair salon, complimentary Wi-Fi and a welcoming atmosphere for children.



Day Eight

Early breakfast. Drive to Kariega Game Reserve via Plettenberg Bay, Tsitsikamma and Port Elizabeth. Arrive at KARIEGA UKHOZI LODGE. Afternoon high tea followed by open vehicle game drive. Dinner and overnight at lodge.



KARIEGA UKHOZI LODGE

Deep in the lush Eastern Cape, the Kariega Game Reserve is where the big 5 plays and is home to exceptional biodiversity. Nestled in the reserve, the Ukhozi Lodge offers intimate luxury in beautiful natural setting. Tastefully appointed, airconditioned suites are an elegant oasis in the African bush. Each luxury suite is completed with a private plunge pool and wooden deck; which has panoramic views over the valley. Every day is an adventure with morning and evening game drives, as well as river cruise safaris. Relax with a sundowner on the deck as the glowing sun sets over the hills.



Day Nine

Early morning tea & coffee followed by open vehicle game drive at KARIEGA RIVER LODGE or perhaps a river cruise. Return to lodge for brunch. Afternoon high tea followed by open vehicle game drive. Dinner and overnight at lodge

Day Ten

Early morning tea and coffee followed by open vehicle game drive (time permitting). Return to lodge for breakfast. Drive to Port Elizabeth.



KARIEGA RIVER LODGE

Located in the pristine Kariega Game Reserve, the River Lodge presents guests with luxury accommodation in a sensational natural setting. Meandering along the banks of the Bushman's River, 10 thatched in-suite rooms are tastefully appointed with top amenities and offer guests peace, tranquility and excellent views. This is the perfect location from which to explore the privately-owned Kariega Game Reserve with morning and afternoon game drives. Enjoy river cruises, walking safaris, fishing and canoeing. When evening falls, relax round a roaring fire and enjoy a hearty meal.



Tour Notes:

Subject to minimum 2 guests

Tour Includes

9 nights' accommodation, 10 days car rental (excluding GPS) and selected activities as specified

Tour Excludes

Meals other than specified, porterage, activities other than specified, visa fees, travel insurance and personal expenses such as tips for meals, gratuities for guides & drivers, all alcoholic and other beverages, telephone calls and laundry