



South Africa: Cape Town to Kruger National Park with Larry and Bev Buxton

11 days | 13 days with Victoria Falls extension | Feb 27 2025—Mar 09 2025

Bustling cities and safari landscapes collide on Africa's southern tip. Cape Town offers up colorful architecture and a vibrant culture. In Soweto, learn about the country's history and apartheid struggle. Unbelievable natural scenery and vantage points dot the way from Kruger National Park to Johannesburg.



Your tour package includes

- 8 nights in handpicked hotels
- 8 breakfasts
- 2 lunches
- 4 dinners with beer or wine
- 6 sightseeing tours
- 1 game drive
- Expert Tour Director & local guides
- Private deluxe motor coach
- 1 on-tour flight

Included highlights

- Table Mountain
- Cape of Good Hope
- Simon's Town
- Soweto
- Hector Pieterse Museum
- Kruger National Park
- Blyde River Canyon

Tour pace

You will walk for about 1 hour daily across mostly flat terrain, including dirt paths and unpaved walkways, with some hills and stairs.

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Overnight Flight → 1 night

Day 1: Travel day

Board your overnight flight to Cape Town today.

Cape Town → 4 nights

Day 2: Arrival in Cape Town

Welcome to South Africa! Settle in to your hotel this evening.

Day 3: Sightseeing tour of Cape Town

Included meals: breakfast, welcome dinner

Embark on a guided tour of Cape Town, a beautiful and culturally rich city.

- Take a cable car ride up Table Mountain and soak in panoramic views of the city below (*weather permitting*)
- See Signal Hill and the Castle of Good Hope
- Catch glimpses of City Hall and the Houses of Parliament as you drive through the city, stopping in the colorful Bo-Kaap area
- Enter the South African Museum and stroll through the neighboring Company's Gardens

Spend a free afternoon in Cape Town or add an excursion.

Enjoy a welcome dinner with your fellow travelers this evening.

Please note: On some departures, the optional excursion will be offered in the morning and the sightseeing tour will take place in the afternoon.

In the event of inclement weather, the visit to Table Mountain will be moved to day 4 or 5. In the unlikely event of poor weather both days, Table Mountain will be replaced with a visit to Signal Hill. For departures during July and August, travelers will visit Signal Hill and enjoy an included lunch due to annual maintenance of the Table Mountain cable car.

+ Robben Island

Day 4: Cape Peninsula

Included meals: breakfast, lunch

Spend the day exploring the Cape Peninsula.

- Drive along the Atlantic seaboard, passing the Clifton and Camp's Bay beaches
- Visit the Cape of Good Hope and the lighthouse at Cape Point to soak in beautiful views of where the Atlantic and Indian oceans meet

- Head to Simon's Town for lunch, where you may see some penguins, before arriving back in Cape Town

Enjoy a free evening in the city or add an excursion.

+ Spice Experience & Gold Restaurant Dinner

Day 5: Free day in Cape Town

Included meals: breakfast

Spend a free day in Cape town or add an excursion.

+ Cape Winelands Tasting & Lunch

Johannesburg → 1 night

Day 6: Transfer to Johannesburg & sightseeing tour of Soweto

Included meals: breakfast, dinner

Fly to Johannesburg this morning. Once you arrive, set out on a guided sightseeing tour of the Soweto township.

- See the soccer stadium where the 2010 FIFA World Cup Finals game was played
 - Pass Vilakazi Street, once home to both Nelson Mandela and Desmond Tutu—both recipients of the Nobel Peace Prize
 - Enter the Hector Pieterse Museum to learn about the 1976 Soweto uprising
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Kruger Region → 2 nights

Day 7: Transfer to the Kruger Region

Included meals: breakfast

Drive through scenic landscapes en route to the Kruger region.

Spend a free evening in the Kruger region.

Day 8: Kruger National Park game drives

Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Set out for a full day of game drives, where you'll have a chance to see the Big Five game animals: buffalo, elephants, leopards, lions, and rhinos.

You'll also sit down to enjoy an included lunch at a private boma in the park.

Then, sit down for an included dinner this evening.

Johannesburg → 1 night

Day 9: Transfer to Johannesburg via Panorama Route

Included meals: breakfast, farewell dinner

See scenic landscapes at every turn as you head to Johannesburg along the Mpumalanga Panorama Route.

- Soak in breathtaking views at God's Window (*weather permitting*)
- See Bourke's Luck Potholes, a collection of natural rock formations
- Stop at the lush, green Blyde River Canyon, where you can see neighboring Mozambique on a clear day

When you arrive in Johannesburg this evening, celebrate your trip with your group at a farewell dinner.

Overnight Flight → 1 night

Day 10: Departure

Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)

Transfer to the airport to board your flight home, or continue on the tour extension to explore Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe.

Arrive Home

Day 11: Arrival at home

Arrive home today.

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Customize your experience

Customize your tour by adding excursion options. Excursions offered on the same day will occur at different times, so there's no need to choose. Save \$10 when you book your excursion up to three days before your tour departs.* Excursions requiring advance reservation only list this discounted price. Call or go online to customize your tour: <https://groups.goaheadtours.com/tours/buxton-2025> | 571-225-1668

Day 3: Robben Island

From \$85.00 . Visit the link above for pricing info. (4 hours, departs in the afternoon)

Today, board a ferry to Robben Island—an enduring reminder of apartheid and South Africa's struggle for freedom. First fortified in the 17th century and used as a jail until 1996, this UNESCO-recognized site imprisoned Nelson Mandela and other political activists and dissidents. There, you'll set off on a tour, guided by a former political prisoner. You'll see the cell where Mandela was held for 18 years, and learn more about the Nobel laureate's life and work. Afterward, take the ferry back to the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront and enjoy free time in the area before ending your outing.

Please note: This excursion is weather-dependent. In case of inclement weather, it will take place on the afternoon of day 4.

Day 4: Spice Experience & Gold Restaurant Dinner

From \$135.00 . Visit the link above for pricing info. (3 hours, departs in the evening, includes dinner)

Spend the evening taking part in a unique African dining experience at GOLD Restaurant. Upon arrival, a glass of bubbly, speckled with gold leaf, and an authentic djembe drumming performance greet you. The night continues with an impressive lineup of activities, including a history of spices, a guided spice sensory analysis, and a tasting of 14 different traditional spice-infused dishes. Throughout the night you'll be entertained with stories by staff and live entertainment, all in a private room. It's sure to be a magical evening you won't forget.

Day 5: Cape Winelands Tasting & Lunch

From \$115.00 . Visit the link above for pricing info. (6 hours, departs in the morning with lunch)

Leave the city behind for a sensational day in the Cape Winelands—a trio of valleys and the largest winemaking region in South Africa. Depart Cape Town, driving through mountainous, tree-lined terrain, en route to a vineyard in the Stellenbosch Region. Here, you'll get a taste of some of the area's finest vintages—like pinotage, a distinctly South African varietal first created and cultivated in the country. Then, continue to another estate for a second tasting, accompanied by a light lunch. Relax and soak in the scenery, then make your way back to Cape Town.

Extension excursion options

Day 11: Zambezi River Sunset Cruise

From \$89.00 . Visit the link above for pricing info. (3 hours, departs in the afternoon)

This afternoon, travel from your hotel to the Zambezi River to embark on a leisurely, two-hour cruise. From comfortable chairs on your ship's cool wooden decks, keep watch for the local wildlife, including hippos, crocodiles, and elephants. Your cruise includes light appetizers and drinks, so sit back and relax while meandering down the Zambezi at sunset.

*Optional excursions may be purchased up to three days prior to departure or while on tour. Pre-purchased optional excursions cannot be canceled within three days prior to departure or while on tour. Select optional excursions require advance booking and cannot be purchased or canceled after the advanced reservation deadline. Go Ahead Tours accepts payment by cash, Visa or MasterCard for optional excursions purchased on tour. Additional fees may apply for optional excursions purchased on tour. Excursions require a minimum number of participants to operate. Details and prices are subject to change. Due to seasonal hours of operation and availability, some excursions may not operate. If this occurs, you will be refunded any payments made for that excursion post-tour. Learn more at <https://www.goaheadtours.com/about/terms>.