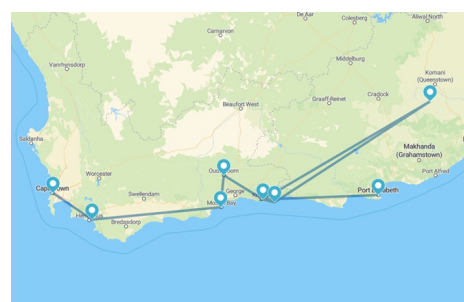




South Africa, 10 Days · Tailor-made by car

Garden Route

We propose a journey through the southernmost part of the uncharted African continent. This is where it seems that the Earth ends. Explore this South African coastline, its closest coast to Antarctica but where you can still feel the heat, for a unique experience. Make your way from the cosmopolitan epicentre of art and design, Cape Town, down to Port Elizabeth, enjoying a drive along the scenic "Garden Route" as you meander along the spectacular "Route 62", flanked by the Indian Ocean amid white sandy beaches, dunes, lagoons and native forest mountains. Partake in some adventure sports amid unforgettable landscapes: hiking, scuba diving, kayaking, surfing... And, if you dare, skydiving and the highest bungee jump in the world. Immerse yourself in an amazing culture, which includes unique gastronomy and the best wines in the country. Experience the wild nature of Africa in its national parks and reserves, and along its coasts, where you will be surprised by penguins, dolphins and whales. And you can't leave without seeing elephants, which will create even more great memories of your trip.



NATURE

ADVENTURE

Departure date: Departures from July 2026 till July 2027

From: London

Travel details

● DAY 1 · CITY OF ORIGIN - CAPE TOWN

Flight departure from the city of origin to Cape Town. Night on board.

DAY 2 · CAPE TOWN

Upon arrival at the airport and, after collecting your luggage, head to the car rental offices to sign the contract and pick up your car.

Today you'll have the rest of the day at your leisure to explore this cosmopolitan city, which with two million visitors a year is also the most popular tourist destination in Africa. Cape Town is the second most populous city in South Africa after Johannesburg, which snatched the number one position after the Witwatersrand Gold Rush at the end of the 19th century. It's also the administrative capital, with the seat of both the Government and Parliament located here. The influences of Britain and Holland, the countries that alternated control over South Africa, can be felt in the country's heritage. Make sure you explore this fascinating city well to unearth its past and present. Multiculturalism is one of its hallmarks, as well as it being the birthplace of leaders of the anti-apartheid movement. In fact, Robben Island (which means 'Island of the Seals'), a penitentiary island located ten kilometres from Cape Town, is famous for having imprisoned key political figures, among them the world-famous Nelson Mandela, who in 1994 became South Africa's first black president (and first to be elected by universal suffrage) after a total of twenty-seven years locked up on the island.

Overnight stay in Cape Town.

DAY 3 · CAPE TOWN AND SURROUNDINGS

After breakfast, we recommend leaving the hotel to visit the city. Start by climbing the famous Table Mountain, from where you can enjoy a spectacular panoramic view of both sides of the city and the bay. Alternatively, you can make the ascent by cable car to the highest point of the Table Mountain reserve, where you can take a stroll and soak up an exceptionally beautiful landscape. You have to stop at the top of Signal Hill, from where you will return to enjoy a different perspective of the city. Table Mountain is a famous flat mountain peak, flanked by Devil's Peak to the east, and by Lion's Head to the west. It is part of a national park that bears the same name. In 2011, Table Mountain was voted one of the world's 'Seven Wonders of Nature' and it has also been declared a World Heritage Site. You will hopefully see some Cape hyrax, or rock hyrax, known to locals as the "'dassie'", a mammal which somewhat resembles a large marmot. There are also porcupines and tortoises in this region. It was previously the land of lions and leopards, but today there is no trace of them. This Park is ideal for hiking and climbing, and you will also come across some caves, regarded as exceptional due to their sandstone composition. After enjoying this wonderful natural area, descend back down to the city. We recommend you visit the picturesque Muslim neighbourhood and its colourful houses; the historic city centre, which includes the Castle, District Six, Company's Garden, surrounded by important buildings such as the Parliament; the Anglican cathedral; and several museums. Today you can take a trip to explore the famous Winelands region, renowned for its wineries and Cape homesteads of Dutch architecture.

Overnight stay in Cape Town.

DAY 4 · CAPE TOWN - CHAPMAN'S PEAK - CAPE OF GOOD HOPE - BOULDERS BEACH - CAPE TOWN

Set off this morning along the west coast of the Cape Peninsula up to Cape Point. Along this route, a round trip of little more than three hours, you can make a stop at the Kirstenbosch National Botanical Garden, the world's largest botanical garden covering an expanse of some thirty-six hectares. It's also worth stopping at local wineries and paying a visit to the Wine Museum. And there's also the wonderful Chapman's Peak, one of the most beautiful scenic spots along the route (road conditions permitting). As you travel through the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve, located an hour and a half away from Cape Town, you'll catch sightings of the local fauna, including baboons, ostriches, antelopes and, of course, marine wildlife such as whales and Cape fur seals. We recommend taking a boat over to Duiker Island to check out the seal colony. You can board one at Hout Bay, a stunning town surrounded by soaring mountains. (Not included). The highlight of today will be your arrival at Cape Point, thanks to the jaw-dropping view of the fierce cliffs that for centuries were the nightmare of sailors. Climb up to the old lighthouse, enjoying the brisk breeze and breathtaking views offered by the fury of the ocean. If surfing is your thing, don't miss Muizenberg Beach. On the way back along the Route via False Bay, you can make a stop at Boulders Beach. It is located near Simon's Town towards Cape Point. Part of the Table Mountain National Park, this spot is also home to a colony of African penguins that first settled here in 1982. (Note: There's an admission fee to get on to the beach. Not included).

Overnight stay in Cape Town.

● DAY 5 · CAPE TOWN - BETTY'S BAY - HERMANUS (OPTIONAL BOAT TRIP TO SPOT RIGHT WHALES OR WHITE SHARKS)

Today's suggestion is a trip over to Hermanus, an hour and a half's drive away. The Route snakes along the coastline past a landscape of cliffs and breathtaking views of the sea. We recommend making a stop in Betty's Bay, an exceptional spot for sighting a community of African penguins, which have sadly now become an endangered species. Onward to Hermanus. This town, thanks to its cliffs and the depth and temperature of its waters, is an ideal place for catching sight of right whales on their way here from the Antarctic for the breeding season between June and December. There are so many whales making the journey at this time of year that you'll definitely get to see some. Alternatively, you can set off on a whale-watching cruise or pop over to nearby Gansbaai, an ideal location for sighting white sharks. This is a great place for the brave among you to head out on a boat trip and dive down inside a cage to see the sharks in their natural habitat. (Optional excursions not included).

Overnight stay in Hermanus.

● DAY 6 · HERMANUS - MOSSELBAAI - OUDTSHOORN - KNYSNA

Get up early, as today there's a long journey ahead to savour the very best of the famous "Garden Route". You will explore the fantastic "Route 62" to Knysna, located some four and a half hours away. Its peaceful lagoon, separated by limestone cliffs, make this town a serene and unique point along this Route. We recommend you make some interesting stops along this journey. The first, Mosselbaai, is three hours away. Here, you will soak up beautiful beaches and stroll along the Cape St. Blaize trail, enjoying imposing cliffs which overlook the Indian Ocean. The adrenaline junkies among you may wish to partake in some parachuting in a region so spectacular it is simply unforgettable. If you prefer something a little less risky, try your hand at sandboarding among the dunes. Resume the journey and head towards Oudtshoorn, in the Klein Karoo, or 'Little Karoo', known as the "ostrich capital of the world". Nearby, about 30 kilometres away, are the Cango Caves, a natural wonder that we highly recommend you visit. These subterranean caves are more than 100 million years old. The spectacular stalactites and stalagmites in these caves are carefully illuminated between vaults up to 16 metres high and narrow gorges and funnels, and they will leave you speechless. Afterwards, return to "Route 62" to continue your journey. This region is famous for its wines, so you mustn't forget to sample them. Overnight stay in Knysna.

● DAY 7 · KNYSNA - PLETTENBERG BAY - ROBBERG NATURE RESERVE - TSITSIKAMMA NATIONAL PARK - KNYSNA

Free day in the region. One of our trip recommendations is the nearby Elephant Park, where you can live out an unusual experience. This reserve, founded in 1994, was the first in South Africa to rescue and care for these great pachyderms that became orphaned, left behind by mothers who were hunted or taken to perform in circuses. There is currently a herd of ten elephants, with which it is possible to interact responsibly. Another point of interest is Plettenberg Bay, half an hour away, where you can spot playful dolphins close to the beach. At the Robberg Nature Reserve, along an immensely beautiful rocky coast, you can spot whales with a bit of luck. The Route continues on to the Tsitsikamma National Park, an hour's drive away, which combines native forest with the attractions of the lovely Indian coast. You can take up a range of activities in the Park, such as hiking and kayaking. On the way there you can see the Bloukrans Bridge, the location for the highest bungee jump in the world at more than 200 metres high. Overnight stay in Knysna.

● DAY 8 · KNYSNA - PORT ELIZABETH

Make your way to Port Elizabeth, a journey by road of almost three hours. Port Elizabeth brings the Garden Route to an end. It is a paradise that draws surfers, windsurfers and kitesurfers on account of being the windiest city in South Africa. In fact, as well as being well known for the large port that gives it its name, Port Elizabeth is famous for its beaches. We recommend you take a boat trip along the coast, where it is easy to spot whales and marine birds. Don't miss the old colonial district, which contrasts nicely with the modern part of the city, which is full of businesses and leisure centres. The "Donkin Heritage Trail", named after the founding governor of the city (whose wife was called Elizabeth and hence the name of the port), runs through the Victorian monuments of the Old Hill neighbourhood. Port Elizabeth forms part of the municipality of Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality and serves as one of the venues of the High Court of South Africa. One of the main attractions of this city is "Route 67", a sort of open-air metropolitan museum that exhibits 67 works of art designed by local artists, displayed in public spaces that symbolise the political years and life of Nelson Mandela, the first president of the country elected by universal suffrage, the father of democracy and unwavering anti-Apartheid fighter. Enjoy a delicious dinner in one of the city's many restaurants. We recommend the seafood dishes. Here, you can enjoy mouth-watering crab, oysters and squid. Overnight stay in Port Elizabeth.

● DAY 9 · PORT ELIZABETH - CITY OF ORIGIN

Arrival at the airport with enough time to drop off your rental car and flight back to the city of origin.

Night on board.

● DAY 10 · CITY OF ORIGIN

Arrival. End of the trip and our services.

Your trip includes

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- ✓ Return flight.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Cape Town.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Cape Town.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Hermanus.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Hermanus.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Knysna.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Knysna.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Port Elizabeth.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Port Elizabeth.
- ✓ Rent-a-car.
- ✓ Insolvency protection.
- ✓ Amount of the supplement for collection and return of the vehicle in a different office.

Your trip doesn't include

- ✗ Possible toll charges.
- ✗ Entrance to reserves and national parks.

Destinations Visited

Cape Town



Hermanus



Mossel Bay



Oudtshoorn



Knysna



Plettenberg Bay



Tsitsikamma



Port Elizabeth



Important remarks

- Driving in South Africa. 1. We recommend driving in South Africa with an international driving permit. 2. Keep in mind that many paths are roads of dirt and sand, and very few of them are asphalt, which requires drivers to go slowly and carefully. It will undoubtedly take you more time to cover the route than your GPS indicates. 3. Be careful with exceeding speed limits, since heavy fines are imposed. 4. We recommend a full tank before undertaking long routes because stations are few and far between in some areas.

NEW MANDATORY PROCEDURE FOR TRAVEL TO SOUTH AFRICA: Please be advised that South African authorities have introduced a new requirement for all travelers bound for the country. Starting July 1, 2026, all passengers must complete the SARS Traveller Declaration before their flight to South Africa departs. The process involves accessing the official portal (<https://tools.sars.gov.za/sarsonlinequery/traveller>). Once the declaration is submitted, passengers will receive an email confirmation containing the relevant instructions from SARS. We recommend saving a copy on your mobile phone or printing it out, as customs authorities may request it upon entry into or departure from the country.

- Triple rooms in Africa are generally rooms with twin beds or a double, in which a folding bed is installed to accommodate the third person. Due to the inconvenience this causes, we advise against using this option as far as possible.

- Check-in time at the hotel on the day of arrival depends on each establishment, but in no case will it be before 3:00 p.m., unless otherwise indicated.

- The proposed excursions and tours for each day are purely suggestions, as you can tailor the trip to suit your times, tastes and needs.

- A credit card is considered a guarantee, so sometimes you will need one for check-in at hotels.

- Hotels usually have cots available. Otherwise, babies will have to share a bed with an adult.

- To pick up your rental car, you'll need a credit (not debit) card in the name of the person who made the booking,

who must also be the named driver of the vehicle.

- Consult the necessary documentation to enter the destinations visited and for transit in the countries where air stopovers are made.