

8 night South Africa Big 5 Photo Safari / Sights with Matthew Greeff Safaris

This 8 night combination trip will explore Mpumalanga's fantastic wildlife, including the must see Big 5, herds of giraffe, zebra and so much more in the Kruger National Park & Private reserves, Drakensberg sightseeing tour, optional Elephant trunk-in hand experience or even a ride. Game drives & exciting walking trails though the African bush, visit a wildlife rehabilitation centre, curio shopping etc...

Combine your private game-viewing experience for the 147 mammal species and over 500 different bird species found in our National park & surrounding game reserves, with the exclusive & personal attention of your experienced and entertaining MGS guide,

Sylvia & Amber's incredible cuisine and well known wild game dishes, local South African wines and a campfire at night.

All the ingredients for a "Bucket List" trip never to be forgotten!!

Day 1 + 2 - Arrival day at Gold Valley Lodge

Settle in, have a light lunch, enjoy our incredible views and go on a late afternoon game drive on our own 3000 acre of wild bush with over 200 bird species and 15 species of game including giraffe, zebra, kudu, wildebeest, waterbuck, nyala, impala, baboons, vervet monkeys ...to name a few!

At Gold Valley Lodge / ranch you can find your feet, do game drives and bush walks, shoot sporting clays / skeet or trap at our registered Gold Valley Gun Club & Mountain venue range, as well as nearby sight-seeing trips to the gold rush town of Barberton, the Geo-trail, Kaapsehoop, Sudwala Caves, and lots more.

Day 3

After breakfast, head north for a scenic route tour of the Drakensberg mountains / Graskop Gods Window, Berlin Falls, the Pinnacle and more... Lunches in mountains.

Pending the weather you have the option to do the popular Elephant Interaction experience & optional Ride

(See website below)
Dinners and overnight at Gold Valley Lodge.

Day 4 + 5

Early morning departure for the famous Kruger National Park in search of Africa's Big 5, giraffe, zebra, hippo and

Spend next 2 evenings in the Park's overnighting camps for game-viewing in your private special adapted 9 seater open game viewing vehicle (only if more than 3 guests) and with private experienced MGS guide.

Day 6 + 7

Work your way out the Park to arrive at the next Safari lodge in the early afternoon.

Different terrain brings different animals and birds to light, as you
settle in at your new luxury lodge. Light lunch, maybe a siesta, then a game drive in the afternoon, returning in the evening.

Spend 2 evenings

Day 8

After your final game drive / bush walk, an easy breakfast and then a scenic drive via the mountains with a a lunch and some curio shopping en-route for final afternoon / easy evening around campfire at Gold Valley Lodge.

Day 9

Easy morning, breakfast and transfer to Kruger Mpumalanga International (KMI) for your next scheduled flight....

To where ?

If you still have a few days / nights available you could connect to the mighty Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe ...

Or fly directly down to Cape Town.... Or visit the nearby Mozambique coast ??

Special Note:

If your international arrival flight gets into OR Tambo JHB in the late afternoon / early evening then we arrange a meet and greet at OR Tambo airport,

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(For your own account)

Next day our guests fly from JHB to our Nelspruit town's Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport, also called KMIA.

Direct scheduled flights daily from

JHB OR Tambo International to Kruger Mpumalanga International

(Code MQP) (flight duration @ 50 min).

Met and picked up by one of our guides and transferred the +-40 minutes to our own Gold Valley Lodge to start your 'Dream trip'

MGS Safari 8 Nights - Included in costs

- Full time experienced guiding services
- All above and full time services of experienced guides, all camp staff, activities and all ground transportation / transfers throughout safari.
- Goverment Value Added Tax of 15% (current)
- 8 safari nights with all private accommodations, all meals & game drives at Gold Valley, Scenic mountain tours.
- All Kruger National Park / Private Reserve game drives
- All Park entrance fees & conservation levies

- All vehicles and transfers between Lodges/attractions while on safari and any airport transfer from and back to Kruger Mpumalanga International.
- Barberton Musuem & Geo Trail
- Drakensberg Mountains scenic tour
- Town visits / Curio shopping
- Big 5 Safari lodge reserve game drives / lunches
- Laundry service during trip

Whats Excluded in cost

- Pending flights, your arrival evening and meet and greet service at Africa Sky guesthouse (own account)
- Liquor, beer and table wines
- Bar bill / drinks
- Personal items and curios
- Optional staff / guide gratuities
- Any additional laundry at other lodges

- Some additional activities (extra costs) to consider:
- ElephantWhispers near Hazyview (Interaction program or Elephant Back Ride)

(www.elephantwhispers.co.za)

- Clay pigeon shooting and tuition at our Gold Valley Clay Shooting range
- Freshwater fishing

$\mathbf{USD}~\$~7~700$ -00 total per couple on a sharing room basis

To secure lodges and our services and dates, we would require a deposit of 50 % per couple as per above to our MGS account. The remaining 50 % payment will be due 90 days before start of trip.

Cape Town Option @ 3 Nights

Find below a typical 3 night visit to Cape Town and surrounding area, pre or post your MGS Safari... And some of the many attractions & activities available!

Arrival Day:

Fly via JHB or directly from KMI Airport to Cape Town. Meet and greet at Cape Town airport. Transfer driver will be waiting in the arrivals hall with guest's surname printed on Hotel welcome banner.

With so some many fantastic Hotel options at the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront and in the surrounding area, trust us to assist with the planning and arrangements for our guests, pending your personal requirements.....

Transfer to your Hotel +- 45 minutes

Check in, settle in, relax and spend the afternoon enjoying the surroundings and hotel amenities.

Easy dinner on your own... Either at hotel or at the nearby V & A Waterfront with it 's many restaurant options.

<u>Day 1</u>

Met by tour guide at reception of V &A hotel at 8 am for ½ Day tour of Cape Town city.

Our first visit of the day is Table Mountain. The shape of Table Mountain is very characteristic with a flat top of more than 3 kilometres. After our visit up Table Mountain we will drive along the coast passing the following areas. Camps Bay, Maiden Cove & Clifton beaches. We will continue around the mountain into Bantry Bay, Seapoint, Green Point & finally arriving in the historical center of the Mother city.

Time permitting, we will walk downtown through some of the historical places of interest. This tour gives one the opportunity to sense the spirit of the city of Cape Town and designed to give you sufficient time to enjoy and feel the beat of the Mother city.

Tour ends at 12:45 pm.

Either have relaxing afternoon ... Easy dinner.

OR

We can arrange another outing for the afternoon.

Note: If the weather does not play along in the morning, then the Table Mountain trip may not be possible.

An option then would be to consider the City Tour in the afternoon.

Lunch and dinners for own account.

<u>Day 2</u>

Met by tour guide at reception of V &A hotel at 8 am.

The Cape of Good Hope private Full day tour is one of the great outing excursions in Cape Town with stunning vista 's and many photo opportunities along the way. The day tour route starts from Camps Bay and head's south toward the Cape of Good Hope nature reserve. Our first stop will be in Hout Bay for an optional boat excursion to see the seals colony at Duiker island, where one can see thousands of Cape Fur Seals close up and in their natural habitat. Our next highlight on the way down the peninsula will be Chapman's Peak Drive, while only 9 km in length, there are over 100 tight, winding curves carved into the vertical rock face of the mountain. After traveling approximately forty five minutes from Chapman's Peak we reach the entrance of the Good Hope nature reserve. Our route back to Cape Town will take us along the eastern coastal drive of the peninsula False Bay to visit the endangered African Penguins colony at Boulders. In 1982 four penguins found their way to this beach and never left. From Boulders Beach, the route hugs the coast passing the towns of Simon's Town, Fish Hoek, Kalk Bay and Muizenberg, this beautiful stretch of beach caters to surfers and water enthusiasts. Our last stop of the day will be the visit of Kirstenbosch Botanical garden. This UNESCO World Heritage Site is situated on the eastern slopes of Table Mountain, a part of the Cape Floral Kingdom Kirstenbosch home to approximately 7,000 plants species from all over South Africa.

Tour returns to Hotel at 17:45 pm.

Easy dinner on your own ... Either at hotel or at the nearby V & A Waterfront with it's many restaurant options

<u>Departure day</u>

Transfer back to Cape Town International with transfer company for flight to JHB or KMI (if a pre-safari trip)

Or

Fly direct to Victoria Falls from Cape Town

Or

via JHB to USA.

Total costs = \$2500 -00 per couple total for 3 nights

Includes:

Return Transfers from airport to Hotel

Victoria and Alfred "Mountain Facing" Double Room booked on a bed and breakfast basis for 3 nights .

½ Day City Tour

Full Day Cape of Good Hope tour

Excludes:

Entrance fees to attractions

Lunches and dinners for own account.

Dinner at any of the many restaurants on the waterfront!!

Victoria Falls Option (a) 3 Nights

Arrive Victoria Falls Airport, with direct flights from KMI or via JHB Clear customs and immigration, pay for Visas etc.

Meet and greet at V/Falls airport with Hotel / Lodge transfer.

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They will have a sign with your names on it!

Check in at Hotel / Lodge

See Websites:

www.africaalbidatourism.com

Other options we also use:

Victoria Falls Hotel

https://www.victoriafallshotel.com

Ilala Lodge Hotel

www.ilalalodge.com

Batonka Guest-lodge

www.batonkaguestlodge.com

and many more options...

Includes:

3 nights in Luxury Rooms

Full English / Continental Breakfasts daily

One Boma Dinner + Drum show at Vic Falls Safari Lodge and return transfers.

Return Airport transfers.

Private Guided Tour of Falls (Park entry fees @\$30-00 excluded)

Luxury Sunset cruise and transfers (excluding \$10 river usage fee p/person to be paid directly)

Half -Day Chobe Day trip and transfers, see description below.

Complimentary Wi-Fi

Accommodation rates include 2% Government levy and 15% VAT

Excludes

Airfare – international and domestic flights

Multi entry Visas obtainable on arrival at airport.

Extra 2 night Hotel dinners (your choice and many options at Hotels / cruises / train and in town) and any additional meals / lunches.

Vulture Culture lunches in the MaKuwa-Kuwa Restaurant.

Any extra items of personal nature e.g. phone calls, laundry, and bar.

Gratuities & porterage fees.

Any other optional tours and activities...

Additional activities /options that can be considered:

(See attached - Matt to quote / book accordingly)

Visit Zambia / Livingstone Island / Museum

Bushtracks Express Dinner on Steam Train or Canapés Steam Trip

White Water rafting

Village Tour / Bungee jumping / Tiger Fishing

Flight of Angels with Helicopter and much more options.....

Additions / attractions / tours can all be booked / added at later stage but I suggest it is done a few months before arrival - Matt to book

Chobe Half-Day trip

Chobe National Park is approximately two hours from V/Falls-Livingstone.

Your transfer is by road and boat across the Zambezi River, as you are crossing into Botswana you will need your passport. Your safari begins with a river game-viewing cruise on the Chobe River with refreshments while the boat takes you close up to the wildlife and waterfowl along the river. The cruise ends at around 12h30 and you are taken to one of the riverbank hotels for lunch.

Some important entry info:

Please check your health requirements with your nearest travel clinic for accurate information about compulsory and recommended inoculations.

Americans can get a visa on arrival in Zambia /or Zimbabwe. Multi-Entry visa recommended.

Please note that names on bookings must be correct as per your passport (first name and surname only) and with enough free /open pages.

Please make sure that your passport is valid for more than six months after your intended return date and that you have fulfilled all the visa requirements for the country that you plan to travel to.

Total Costs @ Victoria Falls Safari Lodge 3 nights

\$ 2 850-00 per couple for 3 nights!

 $\star\star\star\star$ All of the above Rates / Prices are subject to change and are to be confirmed with MGS at time of booking.

After 35+ Years in the Safari business and offering discerning guests the very Best of Africa and with a reputable operation and over 90 % return clientele.....We must be doing something very Right!!

Combine your South African Safari with MGS or let us assist in your planning for your next trip to Tanzania / Kenya for the Serengeti Migrations, the island of Zanzibar, Namibia or the Okavango Delta in Botswana or to see the wild Gorillas in the forests of Rwanda / Uganda with a personal guide from MGS....