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Partaking in an adventure tour in Africa involves covering hundreds if not thousands of kilometres and our tours are as much about this journey as they are about the destinations we visit. Use your time during these drives to talk to your fellow travellers, have a drink and take note of the world passing by your window. Some roads you travel on will be smooth and easy while others could take up to an hour to cover 1 kilometre. There is just no telling what could happen with road, weather, traffic and other conditions that may exist that will either increase or decrease the amount of time you spend on the road so take your watch off, put your iPad away, turn off your phone and just relax. An average day could take anything from 5 to 14 hours, it all depends on the day... and that's only an "average"!

**Please ensure that you have downloaded and read a copy of the PRE DEPARTURE INFORMATION booklet as this document contains important information (e.g travel insurance, visas, your money, health etc) you need to know before you depart on tour.**

<http://nomadtours.co.za/media/Pre-Departure-Information.pdf>

### Activity Package

This is an optional payment that covers what we consider to be 'essential activities' on our tours. Ideally we would include all of these, but not everyone can afford this. This payment is 100% transparent and is listed below. The Activity Package must be pre-booked along with your tour booking. We cannot always guarantee availability of the activities if you only book on the morning of your tour departing.

Activity	Price
Cape Town cultural township tour	R 580
Cheese and wine tasting	R 70
Cango Caves basic tour	R 140
Graaff Reinet historical tour	R 360
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*This itinerary has been written with the Activity Package items included. If you wish to participate in all the activities listed, you will need to purchase the Activity Package.*

### Maximum Number of Passengers

20

### After hours emergency contact

Our reservations staff are available to receive emergency calls. We would like to request that you respect this emergency number and use it only in the event of emergencies. Please only contact this number if, for example, you have missed your incoming flight, you cannot find your airport transfer or you are running late for your tour departure.

*If calling from outside South Africa: 0027 82 578 2199*

*If calling within South Africa: 082 578 2199*

### Arrival / Departure

Please be sure to arrive 1 day before your tour is due to depart. This will avoid any unforeseen problems.

As the activities on your tour can be moved to any day during your tour, we also highly recommend that you book your flights to depart the day after the tour officially ends.

### Pre and Post Tour Accommodation

If you require accommodation before or after your tour we can arrange this for you. We can also arrange airport transfers – contact your travel agent or Nomad to make these bookings.

### Your tour will be departing from the following location

**07:00am** Garden Court South Beach, 73 OR Tambo Parade, South Beach, Durban, Tel: + 27 (031) 337 5511

Please ensure you arrive at the departure point at least 30 minutes before the scheduled departure time.

### Your tour will be ending at the following location

Nomad Adventure Tours, 39 Castle Street, (Corner Castle & Burg Streets), Cape Town, South Africa. Tel: +27 (0) 82 578 2199, [www.nomadtours.co.za](http://www.nomadtours.co.za)

### What's included

Meals (Breakfast x 12/ Lunch x 10 / Dinner x 10) (unless otherwise specified, all meals are prepared and served at the Nomad truck) / accommodation / qualified crew / transport in the Nomad truck / included highlights as per the itinerary / entrance fees to National Parks.

### What's excluded

Items of a personal nature (snacks, alcohol, bottled water, soft drinks, souvenirs, tips) / entrance fees (associated with optional activities) / activity packages and optional activities.

### Countries Visited

South Africa, Lesotho.

**Meals included on Tour**

Day	B	L	D
1	X	Yes	Yes
2	Yes	Yes	Yes
3	Yes	Yes	Yes
4	Yes	Yes	Yes
5	Yes	Yes	Yes
6	Yes	Yes	Yes
7	Yes	X	Yes
8	Yes	Yes	Yes
9	Yes	Yes	Yes
10	Yes	Yes	X
11	Yes	X	Yes
12	Yes	Yes	X
13	Yes	X	X

**TOUR ITINERARY**

**Day 1 - UKhahlamba Drakensberg Park**

A lazy morning offers the chance for a final swim or stroll along the beach before we leave the coast behind us, our destination is the mountains of the Drakensberg. Running the length of the Kwazulu-Natal province, the Ukahlamba Drakensberg Park is a UNESCO recognised world heritage site. Whether you go by the Zulu name uKhahlamba, meaning 'barrier of spears', or the Afrikaans name Drakensberge, meaning 'dragon mountains', these towering mountains will be our backdrop for the next two nights. On our way we make a stop at the scenic Howick Falls and a visit to the nearby site that marked the capture of South Africa's most famous man. In 1962, police waved down a car on a lonely stretch of road, they arrested Nelson Mandela who would go on to serve 27 years in prison before eventually becoming the president of South Africa in 1994.

**Accommodation** Monks Cowl or similar. <http://www.goodersonleisure.co.za/gooderson-monks-cowl-golf-resort>  
**Facilities** **Accommodated:** Two per Room with En-suite Bathroom  
**Camping:** Campsite with Shared Ablutions  
*Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.*  
**Route** Durban to Drakensberg  
**Included Highlight** Visit to the Mandela Capture Site, visit Howick Falls

**Day 2 - UKhahlamba Drakensberg Park**

We set out this morning for a day of hiking to explore the mountains of the Drakensberg, along our way we will have the opportunity to view examples of San rock art with a local guide. While we encourage everyone to make the most of the day in mountains, we may offer separate options depending on the activity level of the group. With a number of trails available we can ensure that we cater to every need, the most important aim is to ensure everyone enjoys this mountain paradise at their own pace.

**Accommodation** Monks Cowl or similar. <http://www.goodersonleisure.co.za/gooderson-monks-cowl-golf-resort>  
**Facilities** **Accommodated:** Two per Room with En-suite Bathroom  
**Camping:** Campsite with Shared Ablutions  
*Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.*  
**Included Highlight** Hike with your guide in Ukahlamba-Drakensberg Park

**Day 3 - Lesotho – Malealea**

Our journey today begins with a mountain pass and an opportunity to visit a Vulture restaurant where we hope to view these fascinating birds. Our route winds its way through the magnificent cliffs off the Golden Gate National Park before we enter Lesotho in the afternoon, we pass the capital city of Maseru as continue the climb to our base high amongst the mountain peaks.

**Accommodation** Malealea Lodge or similar. <http://www.malealea.com>  
**Facilities** **Accommodated:** Two per Room with En-suite Bathroom  
**Camping:** Campsite with Shared Ablutions  
*Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.*  
**Route** Drakensberg to Malealea Lodge  
**Included Highlight** Drive through Golden Gate  
**Border Post** South Africa: Maseru Bridge, Tel: +27 (0) 51 924 4300, Open: 24hrs  
 Lesotho: Maseru Bridge, Tel: +266 22 313 796, Open: 24hrs

#### Day 4 - Lesotho – Malealea

The clean air of the mountains accompanies us this morning as we explore the mountains on foot, our hike concludes with a village visit and the opportunity to gain insight into the community that calls these mountains home. The Basotho are famous for their traditional hats, blankets and their sturdy ponies. Basotho ponies are renowned for their surefootedness in the mountains and you have the opportunity of an optional pony trek this afternoon to experience this first-hand

<b>Accommodation</b>	Malealea Lodge or similar. <a href="http://www.malealea.com">http://www.malealea.com</a>
<b>Facilities</b>	<b>Accommodated:</b> Two per Room with En-suite Bathroom <b>Camping:</b> Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
<b>Included Highlight</b>	Morning hike, Lesotho Village Visit
<b>Optional Activity</b>	Pony Trekking, Additional Hiking Options

#### Day 5 - South Africa – Graaff Reinet

Returning to South Africa, we descend the mountains and take aim across the Great Karoo. The semi-arid Karoo represents the heartland of rural South Africa and presents a stark contrast to the mountains we leave behind. Our overnight stop is set in the historic town of Graaff-Reinet, the fourth oldest town in the country. We cross the mighty Orange (Gariep) River today as we journey through the vast countryside of the Karoo. This evening you will have the opportunity to join a sundowner excursion to the Valley of Desolation, this unique valley offers a panoramic view over the town and the wide open plains stretching out below. **Kindly note that during the winter months, this activity will become a Sunrise excursion to the valley of Desolation the following morning.**

<b>Accommodation</b>	Profcon Resort or similar. <a href="http://www.profconresort.co.za/">http://www.profconresort.co.za/</a>
<b>Facilities</b>	<b>Accommodated:</b> Two per Room with En-suite Bathroom <b>Camping:</b> Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
<b>Route</b>	Malealea to Graaff Reinet
<b>Activity Package</b>	Valley of Desolation sundowner tour ( <i>Kindly note that during the winter months, this activity will become a Sunrise excursion to the valley of Desolation the following morning.</i> )
<b>Optional Activity</b>	Historical tour of Graaff reinet ( <i>Time Permitting</i> )
<b>Border Post</b>	Lesotho: Vanrooyenshek, Tel: +27 51 583 1525, Open: 06h00-22h00. South Africa: Vanrooyenshek, Tel: +27 51 583 1516, Open: 06h00-22h00

#### Day 6 - Greater Addo Elephant National Park area

Graaff-Reinet is a town with one of the highest concentrations of monuments and offers a charming insight into the history of the land. Setting course for the coast once again, we roll through the open plains of the Karoo and the wildlife charms of the Addo National Park.

<b>Accommodation</b>	Kudu Ridge Lodge or similar. <a href="http://www.kuduridge.co.za">http://www.kuduridge.co.za</a>
<b>Facilities</b>	<b>Accommodated:</b> Two per permanent tent with En-suite Bathroom <b>Camping:</b> Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
<b>Included Highlight</b>	Afternoon game drive in Addo National Park (Nomad truck)
<b>Route</b>	Graaff Reinet to Addo

#### Day 7 – Greater Addo Elephant National Park area

This morning you will have the option to visit PE before returning to camp for lunch, this afternoon we visit the Addo, famed for the elephants after which the park was named, recent expansion has seen Addo grow to become the third largest of South Africa’s National Parks. The unique vegetation of Addo supports a wide variety of wildlife and we will spend the afternoon in search of the animals that call Addo home.

<b>Accommodation</b>	Kudu Ridge Lodge or similar. <a href="http://www.kuduridge.co.za">http://www.kuduridge.co.za</a>
<b>Facilities</b>	<b>Accommodated:</b> Two per permanent tent with En-suite Bathroom <b>Camping:</b> Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
<b>Included Highlight</b>	Afternoon game drive in Addo NP (in the Nomad truck)

#### Day 8 - Tsitsikamma National Park

Setting out early this morning we make a brief visit to the surfing mecca of Jeffreys Bay, most famous for its waves this little town is also home to a small Surfing Museum. We then turn west to Tsitsikamma region where we set up for the next two nights and where the wonders of the Garden Route await.

<b>Accommodation</b>	<b>Accommodated:</b> Tsitsikamma Cottages or similar. <a href="http://www.tsitsikamma.net/">http://www.tsitsikamma.net/</a>
<b>Facilities</b>	<b>Accommodated:</b> Two per Room with En-suites Bathroom <b>Camping:</b> Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
<b>Included Highlight</b>	Stop in the surfing town of Jeffreys Bay

### Day 9 – Tsitsikamma National Park

Tsitsikamma National Park is one of South Africa’s premier marine reserves and this morning we set out to explore the rugged coastline on foot. Our hike along the Waterfall Trail sees us cover the first section of the world renowned Otter Trail, this is not an easy hike and those who prefer a more leisurely option can make use of the boardwalks to the Storms River Mouth. For the adventurous the Waterfall Trail offers a spectacular winding path that follows the rocky coastline, an out and back trail we stop for a refreshing swim at the base of an icy Waterfall. For those who wish to get a birds-eye view of the magnificent forests an optional zip line tour through the canopy is offered this afternoon.

<b>Accommodation</b>	<b>Accommodated:</b> Tsitsikamma Cottages or similar. <a href="http://www.tsitsikamma.net/">http://www.tsitsikamma.net/</a>
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<b>Facilities</b>	<b>Accommodated:</b> Two per Room with En-suites Bathroom
	<b>Camping:</b> Campsite with Shared Ablutions
	<i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
<b>Included Highlight</b>	Tsitsikamma National Park entrance / beer tasting at Tsitsikamma Village Inn brewery
<b>Optional Activity</b>	Treetop Canopy Tours

### Day 10 - Heart of the Garden Route

The Garden Route is a treasure trove of beautiful beaches, forest walks and an exciting menu of optional adventures. While our morning is set aside for an exploration of Nature’s Valley, this beautiful village offers us a chance to enjoy a hike or simply relax on the pristine beach in this paradise. We end the afternoon on the beautiful beaches of the Keurbooms Lagoon. Today offers a number of optional activities and your guide will assist you with a plan to get the most out of the day, the truck will run a set schedule of pick-ups and drop-offs giving you the freedom to join or leave at the places of most interest to you.

<b>Accommodation</b>	Dunes Lodge or similar. <a href="http://www.plettenbergbayinfo.co.za/accommodation/selfcatering/dunes.html">http://www.plettenbergbayinfo.co.za/accommodation/selfcatering/dunes.html</a>
<b>Facilities</b>	<b>Accommodated:</b> Two per Room with En-suite Bathroom
	<b>Camping:</b> Two per Room with En-suite Bathroom
	<i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
<b>Route</b>	Tsitsikamma to Plettenberg Bay
<b>Included Highlight</b>	Morning Visit to Natures Valley and Afternoon at Leisure on Keurbooms Beach
<b>Optional Activity</b>	Bungee Jumping, Birds of Eden, Monkey Town

### Day 11 - Oudtshoorn

This morning the adventurous can join a number of optional activities on offer in the resort town of Plettenberg Bay, the winter months (July to November) offer some of the finest Whale Watching in the world and an ocean safari is not to be missed during these months. For those less inclined to adventure on the high seas, the morning can be spent at leisure on the beach or exploring this holiday town. This afternoon we cross the Outeniqua Mountains as we wind our way to the Klein Karoo, we end the day with a visit to the Ostrich Farm where we undertake a guide tour to learn more about the world’s largest birds.

<b>Accommodation</b>	Kleinplaas Holiday Resort or similar. <a href="http://www.kleinplaas.co.za">http://www.kleinplaas.co.za</a>
<b>Facilities</b>	<b>Accommodated:</b> Two per Room with En-suites Bathroom
	<b>Camping:</b> Campsite with Shared Ablutions
	<i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
<b>Route</b>	Plettenberg Bay to Oudtshoorn
<b>Included Highlight</b>	Plettenberg Bay Beaches, Ostrich Farm Tour.
<b>Optional Activities</b>	Ocean Safari, Township Tour, Sea Kayaking and Whale Watching (in Season)

### Day 12 - Oudtshoorn to Paarl

Our first stop this morning is visiting the impressive formations of the Cango Caves, we join a guided tour as we venture underground into this sprawling network of limestone caves. Travelling through the valley of the Klein Karoo, we follow the winding tarmac of Route 62. Road trips in South Africa are an exploration of the rural highlights that dot the lesser known byways of the land, no journey would be complete without sampling the offerings of a “Padstal” along the way. These small farm stalls offer a selection of homemade treats and bakes and are an important cog in the economies of rural towns. One of the more quirky highlights today is Ronnie’s Sex Shop, not a sex shop at all, but a rather interesting country pub!

<b>Accommodation</b>	Le bac Estate or similar. <a href="http://lebac.co.za/">http://lebac.co.za/</a>
<b>Facilities</b>	<b>Accommodated:</b> Two per Room with En-suite Bathroom
	<b>Camping:</b> Two per Room with En-suite Bathroom
	<i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
<b>Route</b>	Oudtshoorn to Paarl
<b>Activity Package</b>	Cango Caves Heritage Tour
<b>Included Highlight</b>	Stop at Ronnie’s sex shop

### Day 13 - Paarl – Cape Town

Cape Town is not only set in one of the most scenic parts of South Africa, but offers a wide variety of attractions and highlights. We will gain a unique insight into the city when we join a local guide for a Cultural Tour. We Sample some of the fine Cape wines and spend some time exploring the town of Stellenbosch. To allow for Sundays and Public Holidays the order of events may be reversed today, the tour will however always end in Cape Town in the afternoon.

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<b>Accommodation</b>	Own arrangements
<b>Route</b>	Paarl to Cape Town
<b>Activity Package</b>	Cape Town Cultural Tour & Cheese and Wine Tasting
<b>Included Highlight</b>	Self-Guided Walk through Stellenbosch

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