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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 departure.

Activity	Price
Valley of Desolation tour	R380
Hluhluwe game drive	R 770
St Lucia boat cruise	R 450
Esijeni Cultural tour	R200
4x4 Game drive in Kruger National Park	R 950
	R 2 750

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. We also highly recommend that you book your flights to depart the day after the tour officially ends to allow for delays and changes.

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.

Tour departure point

11:00am Kings Beach Hotel, La Roche Drive, Humewood, Port Elizabeth, South Africa

Tel: +27 41 582 3720 www.tsogosunhotels.com/garden-court/kings-each/pages/overview.aspx

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

Tour ending point

Belvedere Estate, 87 Belvedere Road, Glen Austin, Midrand, South Africa

Tel: 083 741 5240 www.belvedereestate.co.za

What's included

Accommodation, meals (Breakfast x 13 / Lunch x 7 / Dinner x 13) (unless otherwise specified, all meals are prepared and served at the Nomad truck), / 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) / entrance fees (associated with optional activities / souvenirs / activity packages and optional activities, tips.

Countries Visited

South Africa, Swaziland, Lesotho.

Meals Included on Tour

Day	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	TOT
Breakfast	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	13
Lunch	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	7
Dinner	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	13

TOUR ITINERARY

Day 1 – Greater Addo Elephant National Park area

This morning you will meet your crew in Port Elizabeth and will be transferred to the accommodation. In the afternoon we visit 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.

Accommodation Kudu Ridge Lodge <http://www.kuduridge.co.za>
Facilities **Accommodated:** Two per permanent tent 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 Afternoon game drive in Addo NP (in the Nomad truck)

Day 2 – Graaff Reinet

The historic town of Graaff-Reinet nestles in the heartland of the Great Karoo and offers a unique insight into the history of this arid region. It is also the fourth oldest town in the country. 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.**

Accommodation Profcon Resort <http://www.profconresort.co.za/>
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 Addo to Graaff Reinet
Activity Package Valley of Desolation Sundowner Tour (Kindly note that during the winter months, this activity will become a Sunrise excursion to the valley of Desolation the following morning)

Day 3 - Lesotho – Malealea

This morning we cut across the vast expanse of the Great Karoo, our destination is nestled in the heights of Lesotho. This autonomous mountain kingdom boasts the highest peaks in Southern Africa and is one of the highest countries in the world, the entire kingdom lies over 1000m above sea level. Having crossed the mighty Orange River, we enter the border of Lesotho and make the climb to our camp set high in the mountains.

Accommodation Malealea Lodge <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 Graaff Reinet to Lesotho
Border Post South Africa: Van Rooyens Gate, Open: 06h00-22h00
 Lesotho: Van Rooyens Gate, Open: 06h00-22h00

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.

Accommodation Malealea Lodge <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.
Included Highlight Lesotho Village Visit and hike with Nomad Guide
Optional Activity Pony Trekking, Pitseng hike

Day 5 - South Africa – uKhahlamba Drakensberg Park

We exit Lesotho and travel through the sandstone cliffs of Golden Gate. Our destination is the mountains of the Drakensberg. Running the length of the Kwazulu-Natal province, the uKhahlamba 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 are a hiker's paradise and worthy of exploration.

Accommodation	Monks Cowl http://www.goodersonleisure.co.za/gooderson-monks-cowl-golf-resort OR The Nest https://www.thenest.co.za/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with En-suite Bathroom Camping: Shared cottage (2-rooms) with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Lesotho to Drakensberg
Included Highlight	Oliviers Hoek pass
Border Post	Lesotho: Maseru Bridge, Tel: +27 51 924 4300, Open: 24hrs South Africa: Maseru Bridge, Tel: +27 51 924 4300, Open: 24hrs

Day 6 - UKhahlamba Drakensberg Park

We set out this morning for a lengthy hike. 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 http://www.goodersonleisure.co.za/gooderson-monks-cowl-golf-resort OR The Nest https://www.thenest.co.za/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with En-suite Bathroom Camping: Shared cottage (2-rooms) with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Included Highlight	Hike with your guide in Ukhahlamba-Drakensberg Park

Day 7 - Kwa Zulu Natal Coast – St Lucia

It's all downhill as we leave the mountain scenery en-route to the Kwa-Zulu Natal Coast. On the 5th August 1962, police waved down a car on a lonely country road in KwaZulu-Natal. At the wheel was Nelson Mandela. He was arrested and spent 27 years in prison. Today you will have the opportunity to visit this historic capture site, marked by an impressive sculpture in honour of "Madiba". We will also stop at the Howick Falls to listen to the power of the falls and take some photos at the view point. Then it's onto the bustling city of Durban is South Africa's largest port where you will have time to stretch your legs with a stroll along the promenade before heading for our final destination, St Lucia. This evening we enjoy a Zulu cultural experience, sampling the local beer and will be taught the basic Zulu language.

Accommodation	Shonalanga http://www.shonalanga.net
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with En-suite Bathroom Camping: 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>
Route	Drakensberg to St Lucia
Included Highlight	Visit to the Mandela Capture Site, the Howick Falls Zulu Cultural evening

Day 8 - Hluhluwe – Umfolozi Game Reserve / iSimangaliso Wetland Park

We set out early this morning for a game drive in the nearby Hluhluwe-Imfolozi Game Reserve, one of the last strongholds of the endangered rhinoceros. While rhinoceros are the most famous of the parks inhabitants, the park also provides a home to many other species, including the Big-5 that we all hope to see. Returning to our lodging for a siesta, we freshen up for an afternoon boat cruise on St Lucia estuary.

Accommodation	Shonalanga http://www.shonalanga.net
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with En-suite Bathroom Camping: 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>
Route	Durban to St Lucia
Activity Package	Game Drive in Hluhluwe/Imfolozi National Park St. Lucia Boat Cruise

Day 9 - Swaziland – Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary

An early start and we are off to the Kingdom of Swaziland, this afternoon we have the opportunity to join many of the optional activities that are offered here. Take your choice from game drives, mountain biking or a visit to the Chief's village.

Accommodation Facilities	Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary http://www.biggameparks.org/mlilwane/ Accommodated: Two per Beehive hut with En-suite Bathroom Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered</i>
Route	St Lucia to Swaziland
Border Post	South Africa: Golela Border Post, Tel: +27(0)34 435 1070 Open: 07h00-22h00 Swaziland: Lavumisa Town Board, Tel: +268 20 790 93, Open: 07h00-22h00
Optional Activity	Game Drives, Swazi Cultural Experience, Mountain Biking and Hiking

Day 10 - Swaziland – Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary

Endless hours of self-guided exploration within the small 4560ha Mlilwane sanctuary are possible due to the relative absence of dangerous game. This morning our guide will lead us out on a nature walk to explore the “ Nature Trail “ which provides interpretation of historical and environmental information of the area. Later this morning, we embark on a 2-hour guided walk through the Esijeni community, allowing us a glimpse of life on a day-to-day basis.

Accommodation Facilities	Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary http://www.biggameparks.org/mlilwane/ Accommodated: Two per Beehive hut with En-suite Bathroom Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered</i>
Included Activity	Nature Walk with Nomad guide
Activity Package	Esijeni Cultural Tour
Optional Activity	Game Drives, Swazi Cultural Experience, Mountain Biking and Hiking

Day 11 - South Africa – Kruger National Park

Setting off back to South Africa, we make aim for the Kruger National Park and begin with our first game drive in the Nomad truck as we enter the gates of the park. The Kruger National Park is South Africa’s flagship national park and sightings of the “ big five “ has become something of a quest for many guests. The Kruger NP has more than its fair share of animals and with approximately 147 mammal species we will spend our time in search of both big and small.

Accommodation Facilities	Nkambeni Reserve http://www.nkambeni.com Accommodated: Two per Permanent tent with En-suite Bathroom Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered</i>
Route	Swaziland to Kruger National Park area
Included Activity	Game drive in Nomad truck, Kruger National Park
Border Post	Swaziland: Jeppes Reef Border, Tel: +27(0)13 781 0382, Open: 07h00 – 20h00 South Africa: Mananga, Tel: +27 (0) 13 793 7075, Open: 07h00-18h00

Day 12 - Kruger Park – Panorama Route

We set out a little later today and travel the short distance to the Panorama Route. Strung along the escarpment that divides the central plateau and low-lying bushveld of the Kruger, the sights of the Panorama route offer us a day of scenic delights. We will visit the highlights of Bourke’s Luck Potholes, the Three Rondavels and God’s Window before returning to camp in the late afternoon.

Accommodation Facilities	Nkambeni Reserve http://www.nkambeni.com Accommodated: Two per Permanent tent with En-suite Bathroom Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Included Highlight	Panorama Route - Bourke’s Luck Potholes, Blyde River Canyon, God’s Window

Day 13 - Kruger National Park

Rising early this morning we enter the Kruger National Park to enjoy a full-day of game viewing. Our activity package offers the added excitement of experiencing the park from an open-sided 4x4 vehicle. For those who have not chosen the 4x4 game drive through the park, your guide will take you on a game drive in the Nomad truck (full day). This evening there is an opportunity for an optional Sundowner Drive.

Accommodation Facilities	Nkambeni Reserve http://www.nkambeni.com Accommodated: Two per Permanent tent with En-suite Bathroom Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Kruger National Park
Activity Package	Kruger National Park 4x4 game drive
Included Activity	Game drive in Nomad truck (for non-activity package clients)
Optional Activity	Sunset Drive

Day 14 - Kruger National Park to Johannesburg

While those who elect to do the optional morning walk will have an earlier start, we will pack up and set off for our final destination, Johannesburg. We arrive at Belvedere Estate in the late afternoon and all travellers are invited to join us for a traditional meal tonight. This can be booked with your guide on the day before arrival. Many great tales are shared and tonight is for celebrating the many wonders of African travel.

Accommodation	Own Arrangements / Post tour accommodation can be booked through Nomad.
Route	Great Kruger NP area to Johannesburg
Optional Activity	Morning Bush Walk (Subject to Availability) / Traditional meal at Belvedere Estate

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