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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.**

<https://nomadtours.co.za/media/Pre-Departure-Information-2020.pdf>

Tour departure point

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

07:00 am 40onBurg, 40 Burg Street,

Cape Town, South Africa.

Tel: +27 (0)21 426 4338, www.40onburg.co.za

Tour ending point

Belvedere Estate, 87 Belvedere Road,

Glen Austin, Midrand, South Africa

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

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.

40onBurg Hotel

More than just comfortable rooms and delicious aperitifs, **40onBurg Hotel** focusses on providing personal, impeccable service associated with old-world hospitality, complete with all the necessary modern conveniences. Their warm and friendly, locally procured and experienced team are on hand to ensure you feel super-comfortable, well cared for, and completely at home during your stay! The en-suite rooms are luxuriously spacious by international standards with the smallest starting at 4.5X5 metres. 40onBurg is the official tour departure point and ending point for Nomad Africa Tours & Safaris, for Cape Town.

Belvedere Estate Boutique Hotel

Belvedere Estate is a gorgeous boutique guest lodge, modelled after a small Italian village. This gem in Midrand, Gauteng, is situated on two and a half acres of beautiful gardens with cobble paving and water fountains. The Main house overlooks the beautiful gardens. Breakfast, lunch and dinner can be served under the lapa, next to the pool and each room in the guest lodge is comfortable and cosy with a wood fire place and a kitchenette containing a microwave oven, fridge and all the comforts you would enjoy at home. Belvedere Estate is the official tour departure point and ending point for Nomad Africa Tours & Safaris, for Johannesburg.

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What's included

All meals which are prepared and served at the Nomad truck / accommodation / qualified crew / filtered water / 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, soft drinks) / entrance fees (associated with optional activities / souvenirs / tips).

Countries Visited

South Africa, Eswatini (previously known as Swaziland), Lesotho

Onward Travel

If you are interested to enhance your tour further, please [contact us](#) to receive a list of all the available options to suite your time frame and budget.

Green Seats – Travel Responsibly in Africa

Nomad has a non-profit Trust that looks after the people, animals and places that we visit. We realise that a footprint is left where we travel and for this reason, the Nomad Africa Trust was established. Your donation to the Trust is called a "Green Seat". If you would like to help Nomad making Africa Greener, simply choose the tick box during your booking process (or contact us afterwards to add it) and we will take care of the rest. The Nomad African Trust is responsible for the administration of the funds collected from the sale of the green seats and these funds are distributed to various projects as identified by the Trust.

TOUR ITINERARY

Day 1 – The Cape Whale Coast Route

Made up of a collection of villages, farms, rivers, bays, coves and valleys, the Cape Whale Coast is a pristine stretch of the South African coastline which runs from the town of Rooiels for roughly 150km, to the east. We have a full day ahead of us which takes us from the bustling city centre of Cape Town via the vineyards and town of Stellenbosch to the town of Hermanus - not forgetting a stop at the largest breeding colony of the African Penguin, Stony Point Nature Reserve. During the months of July to November you may be lucky enough to see the southern right whales that visit the bay in Hermanus.

Accommodation	Windsor Hotel https://windsorhotel.co.za/
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	Cape Town to Hermanus
Meals	Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Walk through the town of Stellenbosch, Stony Point Penguin Colony visit, Chocolate & Wine tasting

Day 2 - Route 62 – Oudtshoorn

Crossing the Hottentots-Holland Mountains this morning we set out for the Klein Karoo and our overnight stop in Oudtshoorn. We follow the scenic Route 62 today, stopping to experience one of the many farm stalls on the way. One of the more quirky highlights today is Ronnie's Sex Shop, not a sex shop at all, but a rather interesting country pub! Our day ends with a guided tour of the famous Cango Caves, we can only marvel at the astonishing formations that have formed in these impressive limestone caves.

Accommodation	Kleinplaas Holiday Resort http://www.kleinplaas.co.za OR Oude Meul Country Lodge http://www.deoudemeul.co.za/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with En-suites 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	Hermanus to Oudtshoorn
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Stop at Ronnie's Sex Shop, Cango Caves Basic Tour

Day 3 - Heart of Garden Route

Our morning starts as we make our way over the Outeniqua Mountains and descend to the beautiful Garden route coastline below. Our first stop for the day is a visit to the George Museum, a quirky and interesting museum displaying the local timber trade of the area. In the coming days we spend time hiking, relaxing at the beach and sampling the many optional activities available.

Accommodation	Gooderson Knysna http://www.goodersonleisure.co.za/Knysna/
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>
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	George Museum & Gardens
Route	Oudtshoorn to Garden Route

Day 4 – Tsitsikamma

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 some relaxation on the beaches of Plettenberg Bay, today offers a number of optional activities and your guide will assist you to get the most out of the day. This afternoon we have the opportunity to visit the hidden gem of Nature's Valley, this beautiful village offers us a chance to enjoy a hike or simply relax on the pristine beach in this little paradise. In order to make the most of this day, the truck will run a set schedule and you are free to join or leave at the places that interest you.

Accommodation	Accommodated: Tsitsikamma Village Inn https://www.tsitsikammavillageinn.co.za/ OR Stormsriver Guest Lodge https://www.stormsriverguestlodge.co.za/
Facilities	Camping: Tsitsikamma Cottages http://www.tsitsikamma.net/ OR Tube n Axe http://tubenaxe.co.za/ Tsitsikamma Accommodated: Two per Room with En-suites 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	Wilderness to Tsitsikamma
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Natures Valley Nature Walk
Optional Activity	Township Tour, Ocean Safaris, Sea Kayaking, Monkeyland, Birds of Eden and Bloukrans Bungee Jump

Day 5 - Tsitsikamma

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. We return after our hike and you will have the opportunity to book the Woodcutters Journey in the afternoon – experiencing the uniqueness of the Tsitsikamma biome and learning about the history of the area and it's indigenous fauna & flora.

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Facilities	Camping: Tsitsikamma Cottages http://www.tsitsikamma.net/ OR Tube n Axe http://tubenaxe.co.za/ Tsitsikamma Accommodated: Two per Room with En-suites Bathroom Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Tsitsikamma National Park entrance and hike with your Nomad guide
Optional Activity	Treetop canopy tours, Woodcutters Journey

Day 6 - Greater Addo Elephant National Park area

This morning we set out for the Eastern Cape and the Addo National Park. We make a stop this morning in the surfing mecca of Jeffrey's Bay, famous for its waves. You have the opportunity to visit the small surfing museum, catch a quick wave or simply enjoy a cup of coffee overlooking these famous waves. This afternoon we will make our first visit to seek the elephants after which Addo is named.

Accommodation	Kudu Ridge Lodge http://www.kuduridge.co.za
Facilities	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	Tsitsikamma National Park to Addo Elephant National Park
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Jeffrey's Bay and an afternoon game drive in Addo National Park (in the Nomad truck)

Day 7 – Greater Addo Elephant National Park area

This morning we will make the short drive to the windy city of Port Elizabeth, before heading into Addo Elephant National Park for our afternoon game drive. 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.

Accommodation	Kudu Ridge Lodge http://www.kuduridge.co.za
Facilities	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>
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Afternoon game drive in Addo NP (in the Nomad truck)

Day 8 – 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 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/
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Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room 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	Addo to Graaff Reinet
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Valley of Desolation Sundowner Tour

Day 9 - 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 <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Graaff Reinet to Lesotho
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Border Post	South Africa: Van Rooyens Gate, Open: 06h00-22h00 Lesotho: Van Rooyens Gate, Open: 06h00-22h00

Day 10 - 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. This activity is not for the inexperienced or fainthearted.

Accommodation	Malealea Lodge http://www.malealea.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room 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>
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlights	Morning Hike, Lesotho Village tour
Optional Activity	Pony Trekking

Day 11 - 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: Campsite 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
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
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 12 - 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 at Battle Cave. 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: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Hike with your guide in Ukhahlamba-Drakensberg Park

Day 13 – Kwa Zulu Natal Coast – St Lucia

It's all downhill as we leave the mountain scenery en route to the Kwazulu 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.

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
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Visit to the Mandela Capture Site, Howick Falls

Day 14 - 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
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Game Drive in Hluhluwe/Imfolozi National Park, St. Lucia Boat Cruise

Day 15 - Eswatini – Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary

An early start and we are off to Eswatini (formerly known as 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	Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary http://www.biggameparks.org/mlilwane/ OR Sondzela Backpackers https://biggameparks.org/properties/sondzela-backpackers-5
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Beehive hut with En-suite Bathroom / Two per room with en-suite (Sondzela) 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 Eswatini
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Border Post	South Africa: Golela Border Post, Tel: +27(0)34 435 1070 Open: 07h00-22h00 Eswatini: Lavumisa Town Board, Tel: +268 20 790 93, Open: 07h00-22h00
Optional Activity	Game Drives, Swazi Cultural Experience, Mountain Biking and Hiking

Day 16 - 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.

Accommodation	Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary http://www.biggameparks.org/mlilwane/ OR Sondzela Backpackers https://biggameparks.org/properties/sondzela-backpackers-5
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Beehive hut with En-suite Bathroom / Two per room with en-suite (Sondzela) Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered</i>
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Activity	Nature Walk with Nomad guide
Optional Activity	Game Drives, Mountain Biking and Hiking

Day 17 - 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	Nkambeni Reserve http://www.nkambeni.com
Facilities	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

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Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
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 18 - 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	Nkambeni Reserve http://www.nkambeni.com
Facilities	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>
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Panorama Route - Bourke's Luck Potholes, Blyde River Canyon, God's Window

Day 19 - Kruger National Park

Rising early this morning we enter the Kruger National Park to enjoy a full-day of game viewing. This full day game drive offers a unique view of the park from an open-sided 4x4 vehicle. This evening there is an opportunity for an optional Sundowner Drive.

Accommodation	Nkambeni Reserve http://www.nkambeni.com
Facilities	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
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Kruger National Park 4x4 game drive
Optional Activity	Sunset Drive (there is a concession fee applicable)

Day 20 - 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
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch
Optional Activity	Morning Bush Walk (Subject to Availability) / Traditional meal at Belvedere Estate