

# **BEST OF SOUTH AFRICA AND KENYA TOUR**

14 Days / 13 Nights

Nairobi (1N) – Masai Mara (3N) - Johannesburg (1N) - Sun City (2N) – Knsyna (1N) – Mossel Bay (2N) - Cape town (3N)





# **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- 1. Feed giraffes from your hand at the giraffe center in Nairobi
- 2. Enjoy thrilling game rides at Masai Mara National Park in search of the Big 5
- 3. Have the best time of your life at Sun City water park, casinos, golf and more
- 4. Enjoy a thrilling game ride at Pilanesberg National Park in search of the Big 5
- 5. See the fabulous sights of the world's most scenic place Garden Route
- 6. Feed Ostriches by your hand at Oudtshoorn Ostrich capital of the world
- 7. Try the famous South African wine at a beautiful Vineyard
- 8. Take a cable car to the top of Table Mountains and enjoy the wonderful views
- 9. Watch Penguins at play at the Boulder's beach in Cape Peninsula

# **ITINERARY IN BRIEF**

Day 01	Arrive at Nairobi and visit Giraffe Centre
Day 02	Transfer to Masai Mara by drive ( 200 Kms / 5 Hrs) and enjoy game drive
Day 03	Safari at Masai Mara National Reserve
Day 04	Hot Air Balloon Ride and Safaris at Masai Mara National Reserve
Day 05	Transfer to Johannesburg by flight
Day 06	Transfer to Sun City
Day 07	Pilanesberg Game Drive from Sun City
Day 08	Catch flight to Garden Route and transfer to Knysna
Day 09	Tsitsikama National Park Tour and transfer to Mossel Bay



Day 10	Oudtshoorn Tour - Cango Caves, Wildlife Ranch and Ostrich Farm
Day 11	Scenic drive to Cape Town
Day 12	Table Mountain and Cape Town city tour with Wine Tasting
Day 13	Full day Cape Peninsula Tour
Day 14	Fly back to India



#### DAY 01: ARRIVE AT NAIROBI AND VISIT GIRAFFE CENTRE

On arrival at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, you will be met by our local representative in Nairobi for a brief meet and greet. Later, proceed to your hotel in for check-in.



Nairobi, the capital of Kenya, is the cosmopolitan city in East Africa and is located along the Nairobi River. It makes a great starting place for safari tours in Africa in and around Kenya. Nairobi, the fourth-largest city in Africa, is a lively and exciting place. Although it has a reputation that discourages tourists from staying long, there are some fascinating attractions here, including its cafe culture, wild nightlife, National Museum, Karen Blixen Museum, and, most significantly, the only urban game reserve in the world, where wild lions and buffalo roam. Don't forget to stop by the David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust's elephant orphanage.

Following lunch, our driver will arrive to pick you up for a trip to the giraffe centre where you'll get the opportunity to interact with the giraffes and take pictures with them.





#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Arrive at Kilimanjaro International Airport and proceed to Nairobi
- Explore the giraffe centre.

# DAY 02: TRANSFER TO MASAI MARA BY DRIVE ( 200 KMS / 5 HRS) AND ENJOY GAME DRIVE

After breakfast, check out of the hotel and drive to Masai Mara. Upon arrival, check-in at the hotel.

The Masai Mara National Reserve covers more than 1500 square kilometres in the southwest of Kenya. It is without a doubt one of the country's most notable natural attractions. In addition to charismatic animals like elephants, lions, leopards, and buffalo, the park also preserves crocodiles and hippopotamuses in the Mara River. Over 450 resident bird species add to the outstanding wildlife. The Great Migration is a once-in-a-





lifetime experience that can be witnessed here. Every year, millions of wildebeests, zebras, and other herbivores migrate from the Serengeti in Tanzania to the Masai Mara in Kenya in search of fresh grazing land, creating one of the most spectacular wildlife events on the planet.

After check-in, embark on your first exhilarating game drive in the Masai Mara Game Reserve, one of the best places to go on safari in East Africa. On this adventure, you will

visit the reserve's areas and come across more animals, giving you more time to learn about their eating habits, modes of survival, and the reserve's stunning scenery. Lions, leopards, cape cattle. hyenas, cheetahs, zebras, wildebeests. antelopes, and many other creatures are among those to keep an eye out for.



Return to the lodge for overnight stay.



#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Drive to Masai Mara National Reserve and check-in at the camp
- Take our first thrilling game drive in the Masai Mara Game Reserve

#### DAY 03: SAFARI AT MASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE

After breakfast at the hotel, enjoy morning and afternoon safari drives in Masai Mara.

Safari in the Mara is always exciting, so be prepared and be alert to get the most fun out of the experience. There may be a family of Giraffes lurking in the trees, a pride of Lions playing in the bushes, or a Rhino hiding behind a rock in the distance. Those with good fortune have seen a family of cheetahs crossing the road in front of them. A family of warthogs may amuse you as they sprint as quickly as their little legs will allow them to until they lose their sense of urgency and halt to regroup. In the wild, the large creatures are not the sole source of entertainment.



Return to the lodge for overnight stay.

SEGV'S RECOMMENDATION : The Maasai are most iconic tribal group in all of Africa. This nomadic, warrior tribe lives in the Masai Mara region, and retain their traditions as they live largely untouched by modern day civilization You can visit a local Masai village and



learn about their culture and traditions, and even join the villagers for a folk song and dance session.



#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Spend a full day in the Masai Mara on morning and afternoon game drives
- Enjoy a wonderful time at local Masai Village (RECOMMENDED)

# DAY 04 : HOT AIR BALLOON RIDE AND SAFARIS AT MASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE

After an early breakfast, proceed for a once-in-a-lifetime experience of hot-air ballooning above the Masai Mara National Reserve.

Floating high up in the skies, you will definitely get the ultimate safari experience. From the heights, you'll witness a lush riverine forests, vast savannahs and roaring rivers. You get a unique vantage point of the abundant wildlife living below. Flying above the herds in a hot air balloon is one of the best ways to grasp the enormity of what's taking place. Watch predators, such as lions, hunt their prey or spot a leopard climbing up a tree while watching active hyena dens. Each balloon ride promises new and exhilarating sights making it an adventure like no other.





Afterwards, head to the reserve for a full day of exploration. The Masai Mara provides exceptional opportunities for wildlife photography. Whether you're a professional photographer or a hobbyist, you get a sense of joy in capturing the natural beauty and wild life in its natural habitat.

After a day of exciting safari adventures, you can unwind and relax at your accommodation which is set in scenic locations within the Masai Mara. Enjoying sumptuous meals, spa treatments, and sundowners while overlooking the wilderness adds an element of indulgence and relaxation to your safari experience.



Overnight stay at camp in Masai Mara.

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Have once in a lifetime experience of Hot Air Balloon Safari in Masai Mara
- Drive around the Masai Mara National Reserve and encounter more animals



#### DAY 05: ARRIVE IN JOHANNESBURG

After breakfast, check out from the hotel and proceed to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport in Nairobi to catch your flight to Johanesburg. On arrival at O.R. Tambo International Airport, you will be met by our local representative from South Africa for a brief meet and greet. You will then be transferred to your hotel in Johannesburg for Check-in.



With humble beginnings as a shanty town, Johannesburg took a complete turn almost overnight with the discovery of gold in the region by prospector George Harrison. Harnessing of the large-scale deposits of gold and diamond has made it the second largest city in South Africa and one of the wealthiest. Also known as Joburg or Jozi, the young city has an incredible history and legacy.

Overnight stay at the hotel in Johannesburg.

# HIGHLIGHTS

• Arrival at Johannesburg and check-in at hotel.



### DAY 06: TRANSFER TO SUN CITY

After breakfast, check out from the hotel and proceed to Sun City by drive. Upon arrival, we will check-in at our hotel there.

Sun City is a family friendly resort destination which offers entertainment for everyone. At sun city, you can enjoy the thrilling water slides and jet skis at its two water parks, place your bets at the posh Sun City casinos, feed rescued birds at the petting zoo, try your hands at shooting clay pigeons, and enjoy non-stop entertainment from Cabaret to Golf.



After freshening up at the hotel, head out for fantastic activities at the "mini Las Vegas" at your own leisure – casino, golf, zip line, bowling, crocodile farm, cultural village, etc. There is also Valley of Waves waterpark which is a thrilling and exhilarating water park located in the heart of Sun City.



Overnight stay at the hotel in Sun City.



#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Catch flight to Johannesburg and drive to Sun City
- Engage in numerous activities at Sun City casino, games and cultural village

#### DAY 07: PILANESBERG GAME DRIVE FROM SUN CITY

After breakfast at the hotel, proceed to Pilanesberg National Park for a game drive in Pilanesberg to see the big 5 in the wild - lion, leopard, elephant, rhino and buffalo.

Pilanesberg National Park is located in the environmentally rich transition zone between the Kalahari and the Lowveld. The cooler hours of the day see activity in the wildlife. Especially predators tend to hunt at dusk or dawn. The game drives are conducted by experienced rangers and game trackers in an open safari vehicle. The rangers are always eager to share their knowledge of the environment and also happily assist you with your wildlife photography. Open safari vehicles allow for great views while still guaranteeing your safety at all times.



After the game drive, return to Sun City in the afternoon

Overnight stay at the hotel in Sun City.

# HIGHLIGHTS

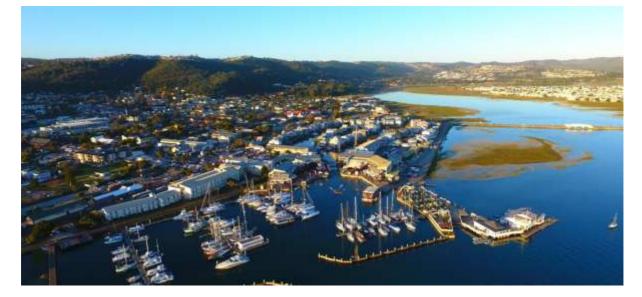
• Enjoy a game drive at Pilanesberg National Park and catch the Big 5 in the wild



#### DAY 08: CATCH FLIGH TO GARDEN ROUTE AND TRANSFER TO KNYSNA

After breakfast, check out from the hotel and transfer to Johannesburg airport to take a flight to George - a city in South Africa's Western Cape, the Garden Route.

Upon arrival in George, enjoy a beautiful drive to your hotel in the world-famous Garden Route National Park. The National Park is home to a wide variety of vegetation, wildlife and topography including beaches, mountains, forests, lakes and lagoons. Knysna is itself located on the Knysna Lagoon, a warm water estuary and is home to some of the best golf courses in the world.



Overnight stay at hotel in Garden Route.

# HIGHLIGHTS

Catch a flight to George and check in to the hotel in Knysna

#### DAY 09: TSITSIKAMA NATIONAL PARK TOUR & TRANSFER TO MOSEL BAY

After breakfast, check out from the hotel and proceed to Tsitsikamma National Park.

The National Park is home to a variety of beautiful landscapes, including rugged coastline, ancient forests, and spectacular waterfalls. Take a leisurely walk along the suspension bridge at Storms River Mouth, which provides a stunning view of the river and the ocean. You can also go on a boat tour or kayak adventure to explore the beautiful coastline.





After the tour, enjoy a beautiful drive to Mossel Bay and Check-in at the hotel there. Mossel Bay is a quaint town located in the heart of the world-famous Garden Route. Mossel Bay is known for the wide Santos Beach and the 19th-century Cape St. Blaize Lighthouse, which offers bay views.

Overnight stay at hotel in Mossel Bay.





#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Enjoy a scenic drive across Tsitsikama National Park
- Transfer to Mossel Bay and check-in at the hotel

# DAY 10: VISIT OUDTSHOORN - CANGO CAVES, WILDLIFE RANCH AND OSTRICH FARM

After breakfast at the hotel, we will proceed for a fun day out at Oudtshoorn - a charming town located in the heart of the Klein Karoo region in South Africa. It is known as the ostrich capital of the world.



We start the tour with a visit to Cango caves. These are 20 million year-old underground cave system that have been recognised as one of the greatest natural wonders of the world. It is the biggest cave systems in Africa and cave paintings indicate it has been inhabited since the early stone ages.



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Next, we will visit the Cango Wildlife Ranch - a sanctuary for endangered and rare animal species. The ranch offers a great opportunity to see these animals from up close, such as lions, tigers, cheetah, crocodiles and rare birds. The ranch also offers a chance to visitors to interact with these animals, and feed them with food at additional cost.



After the wildlife ranch, proceed for a once in a lifetime experience to interact with Ostriches at the Ostriches show farm. Oudtshoorn is home to to the world's largest Ostrich population and ostrich farms here supplied fine Ostrich feather to royalty and high society when it was the elite fashion trend around 1800s. At the Ostrich farms, we will interact with the ostriches and learn how they are incubated and reared, feed them by hand, and receive a 'neck massage' by the gigantic bird.



Overnight stay at the hotel in Mossel Bay.

# HIGHLIGHTS

- Marvel at one of the greatest natural wonders of the world Cango Caves
- Enjoy a tour of the Cango Wildlife ranch and see lions, cheetahs, crocodiles, etc
- Interact and feed Ostriches at a working Ostrich farm in Oudtshoorn



#### DAY 11: SCENIC DRIVE TO CAPE TOWN

After breakfast, check out from the hotel and transfer to Cape Town.



This 500km long journey through the Garden Route is widely considered as one of the most beautiful rides in the world. The drive from Mossel Bay to Cape Town is a scenic journey that takes you through some of South Africa's most beautiful landscapes. Upon reaching Cape Town, check-in at your hotel there.



**Cape Town** is the capital of South Africa and was voted as "the greatest city on Earth" by The Daily Telegraph in 2014. A potbelly of different cultures, religions, cuisines and



landscapes, Cape Town is a beautiful city that is towered by the majestic Table Mountain. It is the second largest city in South Africa and the cities' mild climate, natural setting, and well-developed infrastructure makes it the top tourist destination for millions of Tourists around the world.

Overnight stay at the hotel in Cape Town.

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

• Drive across the most scenic journey through Garden Route to Cape Town

#### DAY 12: TABLE MOUNTAIN AND WINE TASTING TOUR

After a delicious breakfast at the hotel, we will proceed for a sightseeing tour of Cape Town City.

We begin the sightseeing tour with a visit to Table Mountain, the most iconic landmark of Cape Town. A revolving cable car to the top offers mesmerising panoramic views of the city. Aside from being the country's most photographed attraction and the perfect place to take photos of the landscape of Cape Town, it is also home to about 2,200 species of plants and 1,470 floral species, many of which are endemic to the mountain.





After the tour of Table Mountain, we shall explore the city on a panoramic city tour. We shall visit the Victoria and Alfred Waterfront, one of the oldest harbours in the country with a rich history and cultural significance. Other popular sights that will be covered on this tour are – Signal hill, District Six museum, and the picturesque neighborhood of Bo-Kaap.

Post the city tour, proceed for a Wine Tasting Tour to a vineyward in Cape Town.



South Africa produces some of the best wines in the world since vineyards were introduced in the country by the Dutch in the 17th century. The sweet wine produced in the Stallenbosch region near Cape Town was once the most prized in the world. During his tour, we shall visit select wine estates near Cape Town, built in their signature Dutch style and learn about the different varieties of red's and white's produced in the region.



Overnight stay at the hotel in Cape Town.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- visit to Table Mountain, the most iconic landmark of Cape Town.
- Learn about South African wines on a delightful wine tasting tour

# DAY 13: FULL DAY CAPE PENINSULA TOUR

After breakfast at the hotel, we shall enjoy a spectacular drive across Cape Peninsula.

Cape Peninsula is a peninsular landmass that is bounded by Table mountain in the North and Cape of Good hope in the south. Large parts of the peninsula come under the Table





Mountain National Park and is extraordinarily rich in biodiversity. During the tour, we shall visit Hout Bay, a historic and colourful fishing village, catch sight of playful penguins at Boulder's Beach, visit Cape of Good Hope which is widely believed as the southernmost tip of African continent and enjoy one of the world's most scenic drive across Chapman's Peak.

Overnight stay at the hotel in Cape Town.

# **HIGHLIGHTS**

• Have the best time of your life while exploring Cape Peninsula

# DAY 14: FLY BACK TO INDIA

After breakfast at the hotel, we check out from the hotel and transfer to Cape Town International Airport to board your return flight to India.

Arrive home with pleasant memories of your South African tour organised by State Express Global Voyages, which we are sure you will treasure for a lifetime.

# HIGHLIGHTS

• Board flight to return back to India





