



Activities Description

Photographic safari in luxury Private Game Reserve combined with river cruise

You will visit one of the most well-known private game reserves in South Africa. Your private driver will pick you up in the morning and take you to the game reserve located just few kilometers from the ocean shore. Before going to this reserve, which is reached by boat, you will have the opportunity to visit the spectacular beach of this picturesque place. Once in the game reserve, your guide will start with a boat tour upriver, where you will have the opportunity to see abundant birdlife during the 14km boat cruise. Once in the camp, you will have lunch serve in the Riverfront, in a restaurant with true African style overlooking the beautiful river views. After lunch and a good resting time, your guide will pick you up on a open 4x4 vehicle to go on safari in search of the Big 5 . This safari will end at sunset. Your driver will be waiting for you to take you back to the lodge after the tour.



Elephant Sanctuary and elephant back safari

Located in the majestic Zuurberg Mountains is the elephant sanctuary where guests can live the experience of interacting with these huge pachyderms. The activity is a half day and you may choose to make the visit in the morning or afternoon. The boldest will start the excursion by riding elephants through the reserve merging with nature and being able to observe other animals from the elephant perspective. The ride will last between 40 minutes and an hour, depending on the wishes of our guests. Back in the camp of the sanctuary, you will enjoy a walk with elephants closely, watching his majestic walk and customs. As a final part of the activity, you will feed the elephants with a deserved snack after the walk. You can take as many photos as you wish and after that you will say goodbye to the elephants. For an end, you will have a refreshing drink watching the sunset from the bar, and then return to our main camp.





Visit to the National Park with highest density of elephants in Africa

This National Park, second largest in South Africa after the famous Kruger National Park, is home to a large number of elephants, having the densest population in the world in this species. Your private driver will pick you up at the lodge and will take you through the park guiding your safari. The day begins with a brief visit to the visitor center, where you will get to know a little bit more about the history of the park and its animals. From there, you will go on photographic safari till lunch, you will be able to see many elephants and other animals such as kudu, zebra, warthog, etc ...

At noon, we will stop for lunch, either in the park restaurant or making a traditional barbecue (customer's choice). After lunch, you will go on safari again until sunset when the park closes to public.



Visit to the rescue center of big cats

The visit to the rescue center of big cats, starts at 11 am and 3 pm. Your private driver will pick you up at the lodge and take you to the facilities. There you will go on a tour and get to know the history of rescued animals. In this center, you will see lions and leopards that have been rescued from various parts of the world. Each has a fascinating history behind it, so we are sure you will love to see them up close and know them better. On the tour, you will watch a video with the history of the foundation and an interactive presentation for kids will take place so they can get familiarize with the animals.





Shopping day in Port Elizabeth

This will be open to customer suggestions day. Your private driver will be available when you ready to go to Port Elizabeth (main city located at about 100km from the lodges) .As suggestion, will make a first stop at "Nanaga Farm Stall" shop with traditional farm products situated midway, where you can buy curios and try some typical South African snacks. From there you will go to the waterfront, where you can shop in the traditional market or go to the curio shops. You can enjoy a walk along the beach and then go to one of the largest and most popular shopping centers in the city "The Broad Walk" where you can continue shopping traditional handicrafts, jewelry, clothing, etc ...

You can choose here between wide variety of restaurants to eat and try your luck in the casino if you wish. The mall has several attractions such as Ferris wheel, bumper cars, boats and recreational salon for the little ones. In the evenings, they offer a fountain show with lights, water and music.



Visit the local village

In companion of one of our guides, you will be able to enter a local village and see how people live in this part of Africa . You will visit their school , you will see their homes and infrastructure, you will also experience firsthand their lifestyle in these small towns. You have the opportunity to interact with the local people, discover and share their culture and live a unique experience for a day.





Photographic safari on private lion reserve

This activity takes place in the afternoon. After lunch, your private driver will be waiting to take you to this reserve known as "The Lions Reserve ". Arrival at the reserve is scheduled for 2:30 pm. There you will be offered coffee or tea while waiting for the checking in order to start. About 3 pm, your guide will pick you up in an open 4x4 vehicle and will take you on safari in search of the big 5. By midafternoon, there will be a break, so you can have a refreshing drink or coffee and learn more about the history of the early settlers of the area and its customs in the small museum on the premises. After the break, you will go back to the 4x4 for the second part of the safari, which will last until nightfall. After the safari, you will go to the "boma" of the reserve, which is the largest in South Africa where dinner will be served. It is a structure with thatched roofs in pure African style, with its fire place in the center. A traditional dinner based on "potjie" will be served (a typical South African stew) made with antelope meats and vegetables. After dinner, you will go on a night safari with spotlights back to reception, where your private driver will pick you up and take you back to the lodge.



Horseback Safaris

You can choose to make your horseback safari in a private game reserve or take a ride along the beach. Depending on your choice, you will be taken to different locations, where you will enjoy watching the extensive African wildlife astride his horse, if you decide to choose a bush ride or the fresh sea breeze and great views of the dunes on the Indian Ocean beach if you choose a ride along the beach. The excursions last from one hour to two hours, these times being expandable at client request.





Day of relaxation and spa treatments

For those who want to spoil their bodies, we offer a relaxing day at the spa. A private driver will take you to the facilities near Addo village,. There, a professional team will take care of you. You can enjoy relaxing massages and treatments as well as sauna, steam bath, jacuzzi, etc ...

Upon arrival the therapist team will explain in detail all treatments available to help you choose your favorites.



Photographic safari in the best Private Game Reserves in Eastern Cape

Family Hunting Safaris has rights to organize photo safaris in the most exclusive and renowned game reserves in the area. Your private driver will take you to the reserve where you will be attended by a reserve guide.

Normally this activity takes place in the afternoon, after lunch and lasts being 2, 5 hours to 3 hours. During the game drive, your guide will delight you with all kinds of information and interesting facts about the animals and plants in the region, so that you can take home a wide overview of ecosystems of the area and obviously lots of pictures.





Golf

In the Eastern Cape area, where your safari will take place, there are many golf courses where you can enjoy an unforgettable day practicing your swing. You can choose to just go for a day of golf or for the enthusiast of this sport you can go on a tour of several days through the different courses in the area. Among others, you can play on one of the courses designed by the famous Gary Player and courses with amazing sea views where antelopes are free roaming, each and every one of them has a particular charm and varying degree of difficulty.



Day on the beach combined with a river cruise. (Optional Fishing)

In the morning, your private driver will pick you up at the lodge and will take you to the coast. The day starts with a bit of hiking through the dense coastal forest leading to the spectacular dunes on the beach facing the Indian Ocean. During your excursion, while enjoying an atmosphere of tranquility and fresh air, you will have the opportunity to see the smallest antelope in South Africa (the Blue Duiker), barely larger than a hare. From the top of the dunes you will have a great view of the ocean from where you could spot whales and dolphins, which come very close to our shores from early June to October. After the walk along the beach, we will go to Port Alfred, a peculiar seaside town where you can enjoy a premium seafood meal. After lunch, a boat cruise on the Kowie River will take you through the Port Alfred Marina and upstream on the river. Our guide will offer you a refreshing drink along the trip making even more enjoyable the spectacular sunset views. When back into the Marina, your private driver will take you back to the lodge.





Watching of whale, dolphins and penguins

Your private driver will pick you up very early in the morning to take you to Port Elizabeth Marine Club. The start time of this activity is scheduled at 8 am at the harbor, where a briefing will take place before boarding. During the 4-hour boat cruise through the Algoa Bay, you will have the opportunity to see dolphins, penguins, whales and seals. These marine animals may be sighted throughout the year having better seasons than others for specific species. The best time of year for this activity is from February to August, when all marine predators are following the large shoals of sardines migrating. Known as "The Sardine Run" this event is world famous and is a natural spectacle. Huge shoals of sardines, several kilometers long and few kilometers wide and deep, can be seen from the sky. Humpback whales can be spotted close to our shores during July and August and on migration their way back in December and January.



Fishing from the shore

If you want to go fishing and tide does not allow going on the boat or if you want to try a different type of fishing, we offer fishing trips from the shore. Our experienced guides will take you to the fishing spots where through the years they have had best results and they will help with the assembly of the equipment, tackle and bait, so everybody can enjoy a day of fishing without tangles regardless his fishing experience. For more experienced anglers, our team will put the surf casting gear at their disposal and they can learn new fishing techniques used in this area as the "non return slide".

You can fish from the shore or from the rocks using different techniques and baits, looking for different species of fish and large sharks.





Deep sea fishing

If you want to enjoy a deep sea fishing day, we offer fishing trips with professional skippers. Fishing experience is not required, so do not worry if you are not familiar with gear and techniques. Our guides and the skipper will always be at your disposal and help you with tackle and bait, so you only have to worry about reeling your fish in and enjoy the fight. The experienced skipper will take you to places known as the best fishing spots where you will do some bottom fishing. After a day of fishing, you can take your catch back to the lodge and enjoy a good dinner with your own fresh catch. The duration of the activity is 4 to 5 hours going out very early in the morning.



Freshwater fishing

In dams or rivers, looking for Black bass or carp and catfish. Enjoy an outdoors day fishing with your family and friends. We will provide you with fishing equipment and bait. We will also make sure you take with a cooler box full of refreshments. The best season for this fishing is from September to March, on our southern summer.





Visit the Tsitsikama National Park

Visit with our guides, one of the most charming national parks of the South African Cape region. The park covers several kilometers of protected coastline with special beauty. A short hour and a half drive from Port Elizabeth is this jewel of nature where you can enjoy with your family and friends wonderful views during the tour. Walk on the hanging bridges over the cliffs, with a spectacular landscape. You can also take a walk through the dense forest and the more adventurous will have a chance to slip into the zip line.



Bungee jumping

For brave people, we offer guaranteed adrenaline by bungee jumping from the highest bridge in the world. You will face a jump over 200 meters of free fall that will test your courage. Do not miss the chance to make history as this bridge holds several Guinness records. The company in charge of logistics, has a history of 25 years without accidents and safety is the highest priority.





Quad biking

Looking for extra fun during the holidays? We offer quad biking for the whole family and friends. You will enjoy exciting times riding these machines. Your private driver will take you to Addo village, where the guide of the activity will brief you about the use of the vehicle and safety standards to follow. Get ready for adventure. Wear clothes that you don't mind getting dusty and let your adventurous spirit ride. The activity lasts an hour and a half. Contact us to extend time. Not suitable activity for children under 16 years.



Interaction with cheetahs and visit the Cheetah Project

Your driver will pick you up at the lodge and take you to visit the Cheetahs breeding project. This center is part of a wide network of breeding projects in South Africa fighting for the recovery of this beautiful animal through intensive breeding programs. This project's aim is to help on conservation of cheetahs and their genetic pool and to educate and show visitors about conservation of this wonderful specie.

Known by all to be the fastest land mammal, this animals can become very docile so you will have the opportunity to interact with them and take a picture.

During this tour you can see and learn about suricats, wild cats, servals, caracals, cheetahs, leopards and lions. All children can do the tour, but for safety reasons, the minimum age to enter the enclosure is 14 years and a minimum size of 1.5 meters to interact with some cats is required.





Visit to Grahamstown

Visit the famous town of Grahamstown with our guides. This town with lots of history and beautiful buildings was one of the main English settler's cores. Walking on these streets, you might feel like walking through UK on the early 1800's. The town has many churches and a big cathedral. Known as the "saints town" or the "settlers city", Grahamstown is today a cosmopolite town where the famous Rhodes university with students from all over the world is based. This town is also well known for its annual Art Festival that takes place in July, been a big event getting people from all over Africa.



Helicopter and fix wing charters

If you want to enjoy a safari with bird's eye view, we offer the possibility of making an exclusive tour. You can fly over the coastline and can see from the heights diverse marine fauna or overfly private game reserves spotting antelopes from the sky. If desired, the pilot could pick you up at your lodge if you choose the helicopter or our private driver will take you to nearest airfield if you choose the plane. Give yourself an exclusive treat and enjoy a different excursion.





Sky diving

For the more adventurous who do not know fear and always wanted to know the feeling of flying, we offer sky diving. Your private driver will take you to the airfield, where a qualified instructor will give you the basics to make your first freefall jump. The jump is done in "Tandem" with a harness hooked to your instructor. You will jump from several thousand feet high, with an average free fall of about 30 seconds. After the freefall, your instructor will pull the parachute and you can enjoy a slow descent of about 5 to 10 minutes with amazing views and a great sense of freedom . Half day activity



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