

SOUTHERN CROSS SAFARI  
 KRUGER \* VIC FALLS \* ROVOS RAIL \* CAPE TOWN



KRUGER NATIONAL PARK \* SABI SANDS PRIVATE RESERVE \* VICTORIA FALLS (ZAMBIA) \* THE ZAMBEZI RIVER \* THE ROVOS RAIL \* KIMBERLY \* CAPE TOWN \* CAPE POINT \* STELLENBOSCH  
 11 NIGHTS - PRIVATE TOUR



ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

- Big 5 Safari in Kruger
- Open Air Safaris & Night drives
- Cable Car to Top of Table Mountain
- Whale Watching at Hermanus
- River Cruise on the Zambezi River
- Tour of Victoria Falls
- Zambia Game Drive
- Elephant Back Safari - Vic Falls (optional)
- African Entertainment & Dance
- Art Market in Cape Town
- Visit the Kimberly Diamond Mine
- Travel on the Rovos Rail
- Visit to Cape Point
- Robben Island and Table Mountain
- Victoria & Alfred Waterfront
- Tour of the Wine Region
- Boulders Penguin Colony
- Chapman's Peak Scenic Drive
- Great White Shark Viewing (optional)

African Dream Travel arranges private travel and special interest vacations to South Africa. Our goal is to provide our guests with quality adventures that are exciting, meaningful and educational, and that support South Africa's local residents, environment and economy.



Time of Year: December (summer)

Time Frame: 11 Nights

Rating: Diamond

Age Group: All ages

Category: Luxury Adventure Safari

## AREAS TO BE VISITED



### KRUGER NATIONAL PARK

Lying in the heart of the Lowveld is a wildlife sanctuary like no other, its atmosphere so unique that it allows those who enter it's vastness to immerse themselves in the unpredictability and endless wilderness that is the true quality of Africa. Game drives are what the Kruger National Park is all about. If you're on a Kruger Park safari then the highlight to any day is venturing out on the back of an off-road vehicle, binoculars clutched in one hand while the other hangs on to the constantly rolling vehicle as it makes its way through the bush in hot pursuit of the latest pride of lions, sighted feeding on a kill just over the rise.

### BLYDE RIVER CANYON - PANORAMA ROUTE

The Panorama Route offers the traveler a number of spectacular scenic viewpoints to experience this wonderland and includes views of the Blyde River Canyon (the 3rd largest canyon in the world) and its Three Rondavels, God's Window, Pinnacle Rock & The Bourke's Luck Potholes. The region also has a historical influence and a visit to the historic gold mining town of Pilgrims Rest is a must.



### MALA MALA - SABISANDS PRIVATE RESERVE

Sabi Sabi promises the finest game viewing on the African sub-continent and regularly provides the subject matter for a large collection of international and local wildlife documentaries (including National Geographic). Many of these documentaries have won international accolades amidst critical acclaim. Several publications are available, showcasing the treasures that make the property one of the most sought-after on any traveler's itinerary. It is a near-impossible task to bring to life a Sabi Sand/MalaMala safari through the written word, but the annual statistics published by the property serve to prove the frequency and consistency of Big 5 sightings experienced by visitors.

### VICTORIA FALLS - ZAMBIA

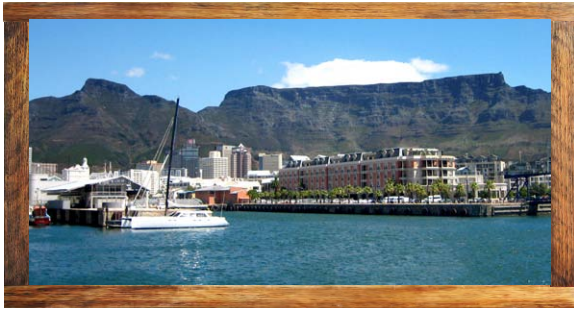
Victoria Falls is one of the most spectacular natural wonders of the world - hence its almost universal appeal to travellers. The mighty Zambezi flows broad and placid to the brink of a 1700m wide basalt lip before taking a headlong 110 metre plunge into the thunderous, frothy chasm of the gorge below. This is the world's largest sheet of falling water and known to the locals as "Mosi-oa-Tunya" -- the smoke that thunders. The national parks in the area contain abundant wildlife including sizable populations of elephant, buffalo, giraffe, zebra, and a variety of antelope.



### THE ROVOS RAIL

Experience the extravagant elegance of rail travel on the most luxurious train in the world. Rovos Rail's unique train safaris through the heart of Africa combine some of the most magnificent scenery with the glamour and excitement of the golden age of rail travel. Since its establishment in 1989, Rovos Rail has earned an international reputation for its truly world-class travel experiences. Step aboard the wood-paneled coaches - classics remodelled and refurbished to mint condition - and enjoy fine cuisine in five-star luxury as some of the most varied scenery imaginable unfolds beyond the windows.

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### CAPE TOWN

Cape Town, South Africa's Mother City, is situated in the Western Cape, an area regarded as one of the most beautiful regions in the world. The city is a rare cultural gem, resulting from the blend of Indonesian, French, Dutch, British and German settlers, the local Bushman and Koi tribes and the Bantu tribes from the north. The impressive presence of Table Mountain, flanked by the legendary Devil's Peak and historical Signal Hill, stands proudly above the city. Cape Town is a city not to be missed during a visit to South Africa.

### ROBBEN ISLAND - NELSON MANDELA'S JAIL CELL

From the 17th to the 20th centuries, Robben Island served as a place of banishment, isolation and imprisonment. Today it is a World Heritage Site and museum, a poignant reminder to the newly democratic South Africa of the price paid for freedom. The power to eradicate apartheid was believed to have been strongly supported by the presence of this far away prison island. Where many of the leading members of South African political parties and ANC members were incarcerated.

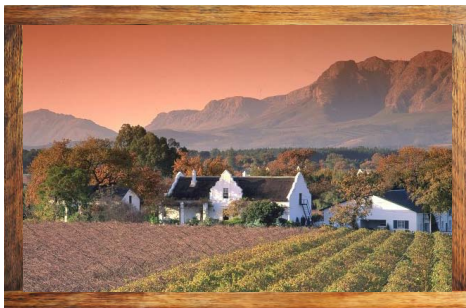


### CAMPS BAY AND THE V & A WATERFRONT

Camps Bay has long been a favorite destination for overseas visitors to Cape Town. Just behind Table Mountain, nestled beneath Lions Head and the majestic Twelve Apostles, boasting a magnificent palm fringed sandy beach, Camps Bay is a real gem. The Victoria & Alfred Waterfront is an energetic working harbour and one of South Africa's most popular tourist attractions. Cape Town is a city of culture, built on a history that reflects in the architecture, cuisine, music and dance.

### CAPE POINT

Tourists flock from around the world to the famed Cape of Good Hope (or Cape of Storms). At this high, windy tip of the continent, you'll feel truly on the edge of the world. After marveling at the views, a short drive up the twisting, baboon-lined road reveals another famed locale: Boulders Beach, home to some 3,000 African Penguins. If you still have an appetite for rugged scenic beauty, a drive over Chapman's Peak will leave you with visions you will never forget. The dramatic Two Oceans Restaurant hanging off the cliffs of Cape Point offers great seafood and stunning views of the coastline.



### STELLENBOSCH & WINE COUNTRY

Stellenbosch is South Africa's second oldest town (after Cape Town) and is the sentimental heart of the Wine Lands. The town is virtually surrounded by fabulous cellars where you can participate in tastings, join a cellar tour or perhaps enjoy a leisurely lunch in the shade of the Stellenbosch oaks. Pretty as it is, though, the proof of the Wine Lands is in the tasting. Once just a collection of independent wineries, the Wine Lands has become more user-friendly in recent years with the formation of wine routes. Many argue that the South African wine region produces the finest wines in the world.

# BEST OF SOUTHERN AFRICA TRAVEL ITINERARY

## ON THIS TRIP, YOU WILL TRAVEL TO:

*Kruger National Park, Sabi Sands Private Reserve, Victoria Falls (Zambia), The Zambezi River, The Rovos Rail, Kimberly, Cape Town, Cape Point, Stellenbosch Wine Region.*

## THE TRIP INCLUDES:

*11 nights of luxury accommodation, a full-time guide, all air and ground transportation inside South Africa and to Victoria Falls, all safaris, scheduled activities, maid service, and daily hot breakfasts. (All meals are included while on safari, at the private reserves, on the Rovos Rail, and at your lodge at Victoria Falls)*

## EXCLUDED:

*International airfare, gratuities, special interest activities, restaurant meals*

### ARRIVAL DAY 1 - PRETORIA

*You will be met by your Dream Travel host at O.R. Tambo International Airport in Johannesburg and transferred to your luxury Guest House in Pretoria. Dinner at the hotel and relax after the long flight.*

**Sleep at Villa Sterne 5-Star Boutique Hotel in Pretoria**



### DAY 2 - KRUGER NATIONAL PARK

*After breakfast you will take a commercial flight to The Kruger Mapumalanga Airport. Drive the Panorama Route before your transfer to the world famous Sabi Sands Private Reserve on the border of the Kruger National Park. Book into your luxury rest camp and venture out on an afternoon or evening Big 5 safari. All meals are included at the private reserves and the facilities are luxurious and comfortable.*

**Sleep at Mala Mala in the Sabi Sands Private Reserve**



### DAY 3 - KRUGER (SABI SANDS PRIVATE RESERVE)

*Enjoy a full day of game drives and walking safaris in one of the world's best "Big Game" areas. See the notorious "Big 5" in their natural environment and let the magic of the Bushveld take you away.*

**Sleep at Mala Mala**



### DAY 4 - VICTORIA FALLS

*Air transfer to Livingston in Zambia near the famous Victoria Falls and book into Thorntree River Lodge Reserve on the Zambezi River. Enjoy a sundowner safari cruise on the river and enjoy great food and an authentic African experience a couple of miles up stream from the falls in your own private luxury chalet. Elephant Back Safaris are available at the Lodge.*

**Sleep at Thorntree River Lodge**



### DAY 5 - VICTORIA FALLS

*Take a tour of the falls and spend the morning exploring the area and take in the ambiance created by the miles of mist created by the waterfall during the rain season. Take an afternoon game drive at Oa Tunya National Park and enjoy yet another evening under the Zambian sky. \* Bungy Jumping, River Rafting and Tiger Fishing available upon request*

**Sleep at Thorntree River Lodge**



## DAY 6 PRETORIA & ROVOS RAIL

Enjoy an early morning game walk and breakfast before you depart towards Johannesburg. You will be met by your guide at the airport and he will transfer you to the Rovos Rail Station in Capital Park, Pretoria. Your train journey will begin at 15:00 as *The Pride of Africa* departs. Guests may freshen up in their suites before joining fellow travellers in the midway Lounge car or Observation carriage.

**Sleep on the train**



## DAY 7 ROVOS RAIL - KIMBERLY (THE BIG HOLE)

It is amazing to be travelling with the Blue Train through Africa . . . sit back and relax. You will wake up and have breakfast in the very stylish dining car and refresh before arriving in Kimberly to take a tour of the diamond mines of De Beers and the "Big Hole" left over from the turn of the century diamond rush.

**Sleep on the train**



## DAY 8 ROVOS RAIL - MATJIESFONTEIN TO CAPE TOWN

Continue on your journey and stop at the town of Matjiesfontein and afterwards enter the very scenic and rugged Hex River Valley and continue into the heart of Cape Town. Get picked up by your guide and driven over the shoulder of Table Mountain to your guest house in the posh Camps Bay. Enjoy some time on the beaches and have dinner at one of the excellent oceanfront restaurants.

**Sleep at African Dreams Guest House**



## DAY 9 - CAPE TOWN

Take a cable car ride up Table Mountain; visit Nelson Mandela's jail cell on Robben Island; enjoy the star-studded beaches at Camps Bay; spend the evening on Cape Town's posh beach strip -- the Cape's culinary scene is exquisite, and your guide will point out the best restaurants if you'd like. (Alternate activities available: shop at the V&A Waterfront, visit Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens)

**Sleep at African Dreams Guest House**



## DAY 10 - CAPE POINT & CAPE TOWN

Drive to Cape Point for a spectacular view of the Cape of Storms from high up on the rocky cliffs. Visit Simons Town and Boulders Beach with a penguin population of almost 3,000. Boulders remains the only place in the world where one can actually swim amongst the penguins. Drive back via the scenic Chapman's Peak drive and visit the town of Hout Bay.

**Sleep at African Dreams in Camps Bay on the foothills of Table Mountain**



## DAY 11A - TOUR THROUGH THE WINELANDS

We'll visit some of the most popular wine estates along the Stellenbosch Wine Route, and drive the "Helshoogte Pass" all the way to the old French town of Franschoek. Wine tastings, cellar tours and interesting shops and cafes will make this an unforgettable experience. Authentic African diner and live entertainment at Moyo on the Spier Estate . . . Great Experience! Cheetah cub interactions optional.

**Sleep at Rosenview Wine Farm near Stellenbosch**



## DAY 11B - HERMANUS (WHALE OR GREAT WHITE WATCHING)

Early breakfast and off to Hermanus Harbour for a day of Whale Watching or Shark Viewing/Cage Diving (Boat Rides - weather permitting). Afterwards visit the old holiday town of Hermanus, take the chance to kick back at one of the many oceanfront restaurants and maybe spot a whale or two. Transfer back to Cape Town or stay at one of the cozy B & B's along the coast.

**Sleep at Saxon House near Hermanus**



## DAY 12 - DRIVE THE COAST VIA GORDON'S BAY - FLY HOME

Spend some time at your leisure and transfer to the Cape Town International Airport for your flight home.



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# ACCOMMODATION

## MALA MALA IN THE SABI SANDS PRIVATE RESERVE



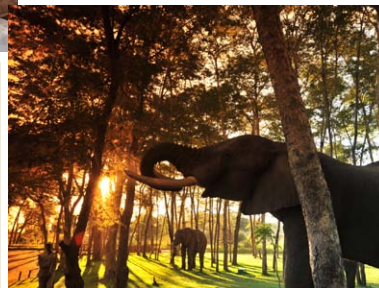
If the African Safari were personified, her home would be MalaMala... MalaMala Game Reserve is the Safari Industrys blueprint to the luxury photographic safari. In existence since 1927, this massive thriving tract of land produces the most exciting wildlife experience this side of the equator. MalaMala Game Reserve is the largest private Big Five game reserve in South Africa. Comprising 13 300 ha, MalaMala shares a 19 km (12 mile) unfenced border with the world-renowned Kruger

National Park and lies sandwiched between the National Park and the Sabi Sand Reserve. Guests to MalaMala will still spend hours beneath an inky sky in the traditional boma exchanging stories from the wild - a sumptuous meal, good company and relaxed faces warmed by the crackling fire, accompanied by the nocturnal symphony of sound.



## THORNTREE RIVER LODGE - VICTORIA FALLS, ZAMBIA

Set inside the Oa Tunya National Park, Zambia, 12.5km from Livingstone, a few kilometres upstream from the famous Victoria Falls, Thorntree River Lodge - known as 'home of the elephant' - offers a riveting bush experience with breathtaking views over the Zambezi River. Thorntree River Lodge is perfectly positioned with nine secluded, comfortable and spacious suites, all with en-suite bathrooms and thatched verandas overlooking the Zambezi.



Meals are served al fresco African style, quietly under the stars on a private and secluded section overlooking the river, or in the main lodge where guests interact socially around the communal dining room table with flickering candles in true African tradition and spirit, sharing their day's experiences and travel stories, reminiscing on the lives of famous explorers.

## AFRICAN DREAMS GUEST HOUSE - CAMPS BAY , CAPE TOWN

Nestled between beautiful Lions Head and the 12 Apostles mountain range, African Dreams Guest House is situated in the heart of Camps Bay and boasts a panoramic sea and mountain view that has to be seen to be believed. Minutes away from Cape Town's world famous Clifton and Camp's Bay beaches, as well as the City of Cape Town, one couldn't find a location that is this close to so many of the charms and so much of the beauty that Cape Town has to offer.

Within walking distance to the Camps Bay Promenade, guests will easily be able to experience all the delights of the area: from shopping, to theatre, to a vast selection of renowned restaurants and cocktail bars, Camps Bay is an area that will constantly surprise and delight visitors



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### THE ROVOS RAIL - LUXURY TRAIN

Edwardian features, the air-conditioned suites accommodate two people offering the option of twin or spacious double beds. In the en-suite bathrooms, original fittings combine with the modern technology of hot showers, hair dryers and shaver plugs. The Pullman Suites (±7 sq metres/±76 sq feet) are equipped with a comfortable sofa-seat during the day with a conversion to double or twin beds for the evening, and also have an en-suite bathroom with shower.

The very spacious suites offer passengers the opportunity to travel in privacy, comfort and luxury, with fittings and facilities that are of the highest standard. All are equipped with a writing surface and a personal safe for valuables. There is also a bar fridge filled with beverages of the passengers' choice and room service is available 24 hours a day.



### ROSENVIEW WINE FARM - STELLENBOSCH

Tucked away in the center of a working vineyard on the rolling foothills of the Helderberg Mountains, Rosenview Guest House is a peaceful hideaway along the Cape Region's famed wine route. Wake to romantic views of the winelands and a distant Table Mountain, sit back as you are treated to a traditional farm breakfast, and then spend the day hopping from vineyard to vineyard, sipping the area's award-winning wines and brandies.



Nearby Mooiberge Strawberry Farm, known for its amusing array of scarecrows, offers seasonal strawberry picking and hundreds of local wines for purchase. A 30-minute drive takes you to the lively beaches of Gordon's Bay and first class dining and world famous wine estates are just just around the corner. The nearby student town of Stellenbosch is a must see when you visit the area.

One's destination is never a place,  
but a new way of seeing things.