



EXPLORE SOUTHERN AFRICA ESCORTED GROUP DEPARTURE ESCORTED BY SUSIE POTTER

Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe - Johannesburg - Kruger Private Reserves - Sabi Sand Private Game Reserve - Cape Town

13 Days / 12 Nights

10 February 2020 - 22 February 2020



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Introduction

Accommodation	Destination	Start	End	Basis	Duration
Overnight Travel		10 Feb	11 Feb		1 Night
Gorges and Little Gorges	Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe	11 Feb	14 Feb	FB+	3 Nights
Peermont Metcourt Suites Emperors Palace	Johannesburg	14 Feb	15 Feb	D, B&B	1 Night
Chisomo Safari Camp	Kruger Private Reserves	15 Feb	17 Feb	FB+	2 Nights
Idube Private Game Reserve	Sabi Sand Private Game Reserve	17 Feb	18 Feb	FB+	1 Night
The PortsWood Hotel	Cape Town	18 Feb	21 Feb	B&B	3 Nights
Overnight Travel		21 Feb	22 Feb		1 Night

Key

B&B: Bed and Breakfast

D, B&B: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

FB+: Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities Daily

Transport

Flight Information

Date	Flight	Airline	Departure Airport	Time	Arrival Airport	Time
10 Feb	SA7257	SAA	Sydney	1900	Perth	2115
10 Feb	SA 281	SAA	Perth	2345	Johannesburg	0435 +1
11 Feb	SA 40	SAA	Johannesburg	1050	Victoria Falls	1225
14 Feb	SA 41	SAA	Victoria Falls	1325	Johannesburg	1505
15 Feb	SA8851	SAA	Johannesburg	0950	Hoedspruit	1050
18 Feb	SA8652	SAA	Skukuza	1120	Cape town	1355
21 Feb	SAA354	SAA	Cape Town	1645	Johannesburg	1840
21 Feb	SAA280	SAA	Johannesburg	2055	Perth	1220 +1
22 Feb	SAA7258	SAA	Perth	1530	Sydney	2240

Day 1: Overnight Travel (Mon, 10 February)

Day Itinerary

Depart Sydney on South Africa Airways flight via Perth to Johannesburg (Overnight flight)

Day 2: Gorges and Little Gorges, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe (Tue, 11 February)

Day Itinerary

On arrival into Johannesburg connect with your flight to Victoria Falls

On arrival into Victoria Falls - you will be met and transferred to GORGES LODGE for 3 nights including all meals

This afternoon we will relax at the lodge and enjoy a few drinks overlooking the spectacular gorge.

Gorges Lodge – Victoria Falls including all meals and activities

Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Resting on the southern banks of the Zambezi River at the western end of the eponymous falls, this popular tourist town is compact enough to walk around and makes an ideal base for travellers exploring the seventh wonder of the world, the unfathomably vast Victoria Falls. About two thirds of the falls can be viewed from the Zimbabwean side and, while the falls are undoubtedly the star attraction, the area provides both adventure seekers and sightseers with plenty of opportunities to warrant a longer stay. Popular activities include scenic flights over the falls in helicopters or micro lights, bungee jumping off the Victoria Falls Bridge, white-water rafting (seasonal), and day trips to Chobe National Park. The town itself offers some excellent accommodation and restaurant options as well as an eclectic variety of African curios and authentic art sold by friendly Zimbabwean locals who are wonderfully welcoming and eager to help you enjoy your stay.

Overnight: Gorges and Little Gorges [View iBrochure](#)

Gorges and Little Gorges is a mere 30 minute drive from Victoria Falls town and offers a unique Victoria Falls experience from a peaceful and idyllic base on the edge of the Batoka Gorge - a perfect choice for your Victoria Falls safari adventure!

At Gorges you can relax away from the hustle and bustle of Victoria Falls town - our peaceful guest accommodation is nestled in a landscaped garden that makes walking to your room a joy, and our staff are renowned for their warm hospitality.

Gorges is famous for its spectacular views, described by some as the best in southern Africa; whether you are enjoying a cup of coffee at sunrise on your private veranda or a cool refreshment by the pool at sunset, you will be constantly drawn to the stunning vistas provided by the Batoka Gorge and the rushing waters of the Zambezi River below.

Little Gorges is perched on the edge of the Batoka Gorge next to main Gorges. This tented extension of Gorges overlooks the dramatic junction of the Dibu Dibu River and the Zambezi, where black eagles and lanner falcons nest in the sheer cliff faces. Construction of the luxury tents in this rugged, rocky and broken terrain necessitated careful planning and feats of engineering and is a wonderful alternative to the main Gorges chalets while still providing all the same comforts.



Basis

Full Board and Activities

Day 3: Gorges and Little Gorges, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe (Wed, 12 February)

Day Itinerary

Today we can enjoy a guided tour of the falls and a sunset cruise on the mighty Zambezi River.

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Full Board and Activities

Day 4: Gorges and Little Gorges, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe (Thu, 13 February)

Day Itinerary

Today we will visit a local village and then enjoy the rest of the day at leisure to enjoy the many activities available to you at the falls.

Optional Tours are available including a Heli Flight over the falls and/or a Game Drive.

Basis

Full Board and Activities

Day 5: Peermont Metcourt Suites Emperors Palace, Johannesburg (Fri, 14 Feb)

Day Itinerary

Transfer to the airport this morning for your flight to Johannesburg

On arrival you will be met and transferred to the Metcourt Hotel for overnight.

Tonight we have a group dinner at the Portuguese Restaurant within the complex.

Overnight: Peermont Metcourt Suites Emperors Palace [View iBrochure](#)

Affordable accommodation with friendly service...the Metcourt Suites offers a home away from home. The hotel features 77 spacious suites with contemporary furnishings. All the usual technology is available in the rooms with Wi-Fi connectivity available in public areas. Breakfast is served in the stylish Primavera restaurant. Guests also have access to the casino, dining, entertainment, convention and relaxation facilities of the Emperors Palace resort.



Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 6: Chisomo Safari Camp, Kruger Private Reserves (Sat, 15 February)

Day Itinerary

Breakfast at the hotel before checking out. Transfer to the airport for your flight to Kruger National Park

Check in at the lodge and enjoy lunch - afternoon game drive and dinner at the lodge

Rate Includes

- All meals, teas, coffees and snacks.
- Accommodation.
- Dawn and dusk safaris in open Land Rovers.
- Drinks on dusk safaris are limited to one per person with a choice of local beer, wine or soft drink.
- Wi-Fi at all lodges.
- Tourism levy/Reserve entrance fee and Rhino Levies are all included in the per person per night cost.

Rate Excludes

- Mini Bar, curio, telephone, spa and laundry expenses.
- Premium and imported brands.

Kruger Private Reserves

Scattered along the unfenced western boundary of the world-renowned Kruger National Park, private game reserves combine with the Kruger to establish one of the world's largest game reserves. This incredible destination offers visitors excellent Big Five game viewing opportunities and an array of luxury safari accommodation complete with world-class cuisine, relaxing spas and private pools. Visitors can look forward to fascinating night-drive safaris, guided nature walks, and open-top safari adventures. Some of these prestigious private reserves include: Sabi Sands Private Game Reserve, Thornybush Private Game Reserve, and Timbavati Private Game Reserve, to name a few.

Overnight: Chisomo Safari Camp

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Chisomo Safari Camp is the ideal camp for group traveling. Luxury safari tents face the beautiful Makhutswe River and wildlife may be watched from the decks as it emerges from the reeds for grazing Kudu, Nyala, Bushbuck are as common a sight as elephant and even the elusive leopard. Guests enjoy dinners at the luxuriously furnished, thatched public area overlooking the river and the bush or a traditional braai at a specially created bush dinner site where traditional dishes are served under the stars. Chisomo is a perfect hub for exploring the tourism hotspots of the Valley of the Olifants as the camp is located closely to both the Blyde River Canyon and the Kruger National Park. Chisomo Safari offers a range of excursions that can be booked on spot. Game viewing on the Karongwe is exceptional with an unequaled variety of flora and fauna additional to the famous Big Five.

All tents have en-suite bathrooms with a shower, mini-bar, fan, heater, blow dryers, multi-plug, tea & coffee making facilities and a private deck with chairs for guest's viewing pleasure.



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Full Board and Activities

Day 7: Chisomo Safari Camp, Kruger Private Reserves (Sun, 16 February)

Day Itinerary

Morning and afternoon game drive in the reserve.

Basis

Full Board and Activities

Day 8: Idube Private Game Reserve, Sabi Sand Private Game Reserve (Mon, 17 Feb)

Day Itinerary

This morning participate in a game drive before breakfast and checking out. Depart to the Sabi Sands Game Reserve with a stop at Blyde River Canyon en-route. Arrive at Idube Game Lodge in time for lunch. Lunch, afternoon safari and dinner.

1 night at Idube Game Lodge including: 3 full meals daily, all teas and coffees, 2 game drives daily in open Land Rovers and a safari walk. Game activities are with skilled and well-trained rangers and Sabi Sand entrance fees and Sabi Sand Rhino Conservation Levies.

The rate excludes bar bill, soft drinks, telephone and fax calls, curios, gratuities, items of a personal nature.

****We have two suites available at this property. Suites have their own private plunge pool and fully stocked mini bar, why not consider an upgrade for the night!**

Sabi Sand Private Game Reserve

Adjacent to the Kruger National Park, the Sabi Sand Private Game Reserve is a private premier game viewing destination. It was the first ever private nature reserve established in South Africa. The landscape features 65 000 hectares of savannah-covered land interspersed with watering holes, dry river beds, lowveld woodlands, and the perennial Sabi and Sand rivers. This spectacular reserve offers exceptional game viewing opportunities with frequent sightings of the renowned Big Five as well as cheetah, zebra, giraffe, and a variety of antelope. Visitors can enjoy excellent wildlife viewing, dining under the stars, guided bush walks and enjoying a stay in some of South Africa's most luxurious safari lodges.

Overnight: Idube Private Game Reserve

Idube is a safari lodge situated in the Sabi Sand Game Reserve, in the heart of South Africa's premier wildlife conservation area of the Greater Kruger Park. Game, including the Big 5, is viewed really close by from open Landrovers, or spotted on guided walks.

The lodge has 10 comfortable chalets, set amongst green lawns and shady trees. In between drives, guests can enjoy the pool and bird watch, or relax on their private decks and watch the warthogs and the nyala families on the lawn



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Full Board and Activities

Day 9: The PortsWood Hotel, Cape Town (Tue, 18 February)

Day Itinerary

Morning game drive and breakfast before checking out. Transfer to Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport for flight to Cape Town. Meet and greet and transfer to the Portswood Hotel

Dinner included (drinks for own account)

3 nights at the Portswood Hotel in standard rooms on a bed and breakfast

Cape Town

Resting at the confluence of the Indian and Atlantic Ocean, sandwiched between the slopes of the iconic Table Mountain and the glistening sapphire waters of Table Bay, the exceptionally scenic city of Cape Town is in a class of its own. Some cities boast rich culture, vibrant nightlife, a cosmopolitan atmosphere and extraordinary architecture, while others boast breath-taking landscapes and extraordinary natural wonders. Cape Town, is lucky enough to be blessed with all of these attractions and so much more. With its bustling harbour, world-class beaches, top-notch vineyards, and its mountainous surroundings brimming with diverse flora and fauna, Cape Town consistently captivates the hearts of all who visit.

Overnight: The PortsWood Hotel [View iBrochure](#)

The PortsWood is part of Cape Town's colonial history. The restaurant and lobby are built over the original well and holding cells for prisoners en-route to Robben Island some 300 years ago. Today the PortsWood is famous for its uniquely personal approach to service - catering to the international travellers every need and anticipating their every desire. Rich in South Africa's unique culture, the PortsWood is a must for any traveller.



Basis

Bed & Breakfast

Day 10: The PortsWood Hotel, Cape Town (Wed, 19 February)

Day Itinerary

Full day tour – including Table Mountain , Cape of Good Hope and Lunch at the Black Marlin and a visit to Boulder Beach to view the Penguins

Tonight we will visit GOLD for an interactive dinner experience

Activities

Gold Restaurant
Cape Point

Gold Restaurant

GOLD Restaurant is a vibrant pan-African experience offering a set Cape Malay and African menu, together with live entertainment and djembe drumming 7 nights a week. Operating from an old warehouse building and a modern function venue, GOLD offers visitors a sophisticated African experience.

Enjoy an award-winning, 14-dish tasting menu inspired by ingredients and textures from all over the African continent. Be seduced by live dancing and singing to the rhythmic beating of African djembe drums. Feel part of their tribal community with some optional pre-dinner drumming under the guidance of an experienced facilitator.

Cape Point

Cape Point is a spectacular sight, covered in endemic fynbos and home to breath taking bays, beaches and rolling green hills and valleys, just 60km outside of Cape Town. Cape Point falls within the Cape Floral Region, a World Heritage Site. The Cape Floral Region is one of the richest areas for plants in the world – it is home to nearly 20% of Africa's flora. Cape Point is open daily and is a must-see.

Basis

Bed & Breakfast

Day 11: The PortsWood Hotel, Cape Town (Thu, 20 February)

Day Itinerary

Full day tour to the Winelands including three wine estate visits and wine tasting, including lunch (drinks for own account)

Dinner tonight is included at a local restaurant in the Waterfront area.

Activities

Cape Winelands

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Resting at the foot of the Boland Mountains, the Cape Winelands is renowned for producing some of the world's finest wines. The breathtakingly beautiful landscape boasts incredible mountain scenery and numerous luxury wine farms laden with vineyards stretching across lush fertile valleys. Visitors can look forward to a variety of wonderful activities including: exploring a collection of historic little hamlets and towns dotting the countryside, sampling a wide selection of world-class wine at a historic Cape Dutch farmstead as well as many other wine estates; and enjoying a network of hiking and biking trails traversing the picturesque landscape. While the wine is undoubtedly the highlight of the region, visitors can also enjoy a meal at some of the country's best restaurants offering delicious food and wine pairings.

Basis

Bed & Breakfast

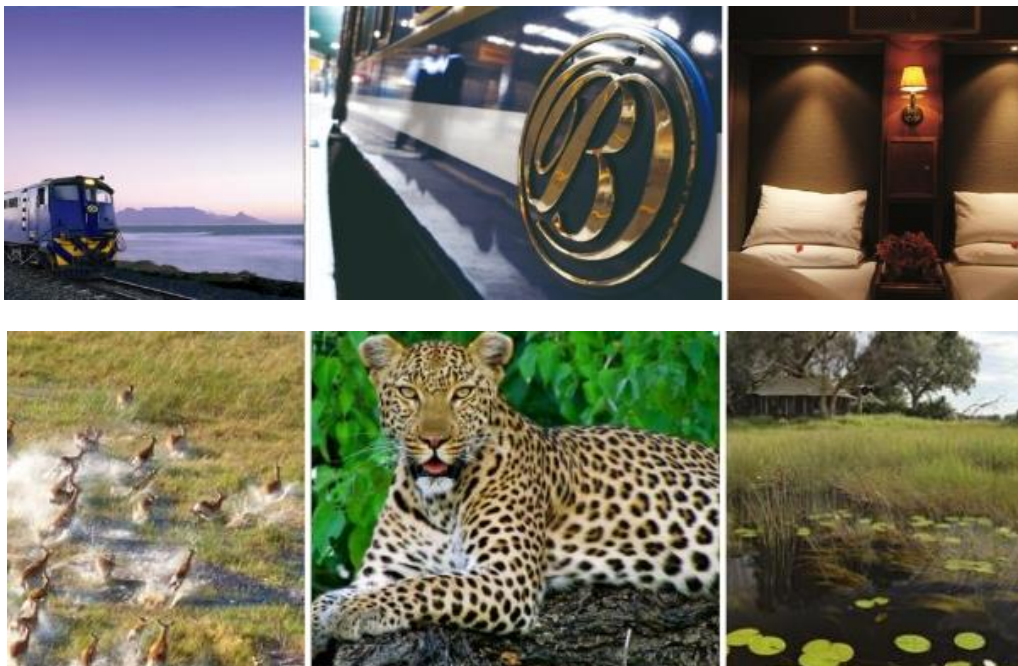
Day 12: Overnight Travel (Fri, 21 February)

Day Itinerary

Morning at leisure and some free time before transfer to the airport for your flight via Johannesburg and Perth back to Sydney.

Optional Extensions:

Ask Susie for a price on a trip extension, perhaps catch the iconic Blue Train from Cape Town to Pretoria or extend with a safari into Botswana's Okavango Delta.



Terms and Conditions

Included:

- Services of experienced tour escort Susie Potter – From Sydney.
- Economy class airfares with South African Airways from Sydney as per itinerary. (option to upgrade)
- 10 nights luxury accommodation throughout Zimbabwe and South Africa with meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner most days), activities and transport included as specified on the itinerary

Not Included:

- Zimbabwe Visa (visa's on arrival USD30 subject to change)
- Tip Fund of approximately \$200AUD to be collected before departure.
- Travel insurance is compulsory for this trip. Susie will provide the pricing to be paid with deposit.
- Items of a personal nature eg: laundry, meals not included, drinks, souvenirs etc
- Any optional touring

Pricing:

This trip is only being offered as a twin/double share option as we only have a limited number of rooms available to us.

\$8,995 per person, twin share

****Book and pay 50% deposit by 15 July 2019, save \$250 per person or \$500 per couple**

Deposit:

A non-refundable deposit of \$2,000 per person plus Travel Insurance is due at time of booking.

2nd Deposit:

A second deposit of \$1,000 per person is due by 23 September 2019

Final Payment:

Balance due 01 November 2019

The price is in Australian dollars and inclusions are as per itinerary. The price is based on minimum numbers and should this number not be reached the price of the tour may increase or may not be escorted. Sutherland Shire Cruise and Travel will reassess as required and will try to avoid possible price increases. Pricing is subject to currency fluctuations, if the currency fluctuations are more than 3% then the itinerary may need to be re-costed.

Cancellation:

Deposits are non-refundable. Once full payment has been made 100% cancellation fees apply.

Itinerary changes:

We reserve the right to vary itineraries should circumstances dictate. We are not liable for changes made by third party suppliers that are outside our control.

Booking Form:

Your booking form should be completed and returned with your deposit to confirm your booking on the trip.