

WELCOME!

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We're excited that you are contemplating joining the Travel Africa Movement in South Africa in November/December 2024. We're ready to have you!

This document includes Country Info, Frequently Asked Questions, the tentative Itinerary, and the payment schedule for those who select the monthly payment plan option. If you have additional questions or are ready to set up your payment plan, reach out to us at info@travelafricamovement.com.



COUNTRY INFO

Officially the Republic of South Africa, South Africa is the southern- most and 9th largest country on the African continent. South Africa has three capital cities: Pretoria (executive), Cape Town (legislative), and Bloemfontein (judicial). Its largest city is Johannesburg.

South Africa is probably best known for its history of apartheid, a legal system of segregation and discrimination based on race. Although apartheid officially ended in 1994, its legacy is still seen present-day. Despite this storied history, the natural beauty, culture, and attractions of South Africa are unmatched.

Johannesburg (aka Joburg or Jozi) is South Africa's largest city and its heart and soul. Soweto, a primarily black township in the southwest of Joburg, was the heart of the anti-apartheid freedom struggle. Other popular attractions include the Apartheid Museum, Vilakazi Street, the Hector Pieterson Museum, and Mandela House. Cape Town (aka the Mother City) is its 2nd largest city and regularly ranks as one of the most beautiful cities in the world. Table Mountain is its most famous landmark. Other popular attractions include Robben Island, Boulder's Beach, Bo Kaap, and Cape Point. Mpumalanga province is one of South Africa's most scenic and popular tourist destinations. It's home to the infamous Kruger National Park, the Blyde River Canyon, and the Sudwala Caves, believed to be the oldest known caves in the world. You'll visit all three during your time in South Africa.





Do I need a passport?

A passport book is required for travel to South Africa. Your passport must be valid for 6 months after your arrival date and have at least 2 blank pages or you will be denied entry.

Do I need a visa?

US citizens are not required to have tourist visas for South Africa for stays of less than 90 days. If you are not a US citizen, check for your country requirements.

Do I need any vaccinations?

There are NO required vaccines for South Africa if you travel from the USA. However, if you're traveling from a country with risk of YF virus transmission or if you transit thru an airport located in a country with risk of YF virus transmission, the Yellow Fever (YF) vaccine is REQUIRED for all adults. There is limited availability of the YF vaccine in the US, so plan ahead if you need it.

Travelers to South Africa no longer have to present Covid vaccination certificates or negative PCR tests.

Check the <u>CDC Website</u> for the most up-to date information about required and recommended vaccines and anti-malarial medications.

What is the name of the arrival and departure airport/city?

The tour will start in Cape Town. You may arrive either at Cape Town International Airport (airport code: CPT) or at Oliver R. Tambo International Airport (airport code: JNB) in Johannesburg (then transfer to Cape Town via a domestic flight). The tour will end in Johannesburg so you can depart from JNB.

When should I arrive in South Africa?

We suggest that you arrive by 2:00 pm on November 30th, in order to get checked in to the hotel and refreshed before our Meet and Greet and Welcome Dinner. If you to decide to arrive a day or two early, we recommend staying at our arrival hotel for ease of planning.

Are flights included in the tour price?

Flights are not included in the tour price, however we will assist with information about fare bookings and deals. You will require two flights for this trip: (1) an international round trip flight from your home city. Current fares are about \$1,000-\$1,400 USD round trip; and (2) a one-way domestic flight from Cape Town to Kruger Mpumalanga. Current fares are about \$150 USD.

Is there a recommended airline?

Delta, Qatar Airways, Turkish Airlines, Ethiopian Airlines, United Airlines, and Virgin Atlantic appear to have the best routes from the USA for this itinerary.

What is included in the tour package?

Your tour package will include airport transfers, ground transportation, hotel accommodations, daily activities and entrance fees, daily breakfast, some meals, daily water and snacks, photographer, tour host/concierge services, and gift bag.

What type of accommodations are included?

Double occupancy hotel accommodations for 10 nights are included: 3 nights in Johannesburg, 3 nights in Mpumalanga, and 4 nights in Cape Town. All accommodations will be 4-star and well rated for service and quality.

Are meals included?

Daily breakfast is included. Food will also be provided at the Welcome dinner, Jazz Brunch, Lunch and Wine Tasting, Village visit and Farewell dinner. It will be a mix of South African fare, European, and Americanstyle cuisine. Other meals are at your expense. Meals average \$10-15 USD.

Are alcoholic beverages included?

Alcoholic beverages are only included for specific activities. Drinks will be included during the Welcome dinner, Wine Tasting Tour, and Farewell dinner. Other alcoholic drinks are at your expense.

Are tour and activity fees included?

One safari game drive, daily guided tours, and entrance fees are included for all activities in the itinerary. Any other activities are at your expense.

How much does this trip cost?

The trip is \$2,200 USD per person based on double occupancy.

Are single occupancy accommodations available?

Yes, a single occupancy rate of \$2,600 USD is available. Single occupancy spots are limited so be sure to book early to ensure availability.

Are children allowed to attend?

This is an adults only trip, so all participants must be age 18 or older.

Is roommate matching available?

While we make every effort to match solo attendees seeking roommates, we cannot promise to find one for you. In the event that no roommate is available, you will be required to pay the single occupancy rate.

Will I have any free time to relax and explore on my own?

Yes, although we have daily guided tours and activities, most evenings will be free for you to relax or explore by yourself or with others in the group.

How much should I expect to spend for out-of-pocket expenses?

Since most of your expenses are covered, you will only have to pay for lunch and/or dinner on some days, tips, incidental charges, souvenirs and personal shopping. Because of the favorable exchange rate, you will find most restaurants and shopping to be very affordable. Meals average \$10 - \$15 USD. We suggest you budget \$50 per day for food, shopping, etc.

Is travel insurance is included?

Travel insurance is not included but it is required for all travelers. Cost typically averages \$50-100. Proof of travel insurance must be provided before departure. We will provide a list of insurers upon request.

How can I reserve a spot on this trip?

Full or partial payment can be made. If you select the monthly payment plan, payments are due on the 15th day of each month and all payments must be complete by the final payment deadline of August 30, 2024. All payment plans include a \$50 administrative fee. The payment plan schedule is attached.

What if I pay for the trip and can no longer attend?

The trip is non-refundable, but it is transferable. You are permitted to resell your slot to another participant, but Travel Africa Movement is unable to offer a refund. See the <u>Terms and Conditions</u> on our website for more information.





ITINERARY

Day 1 - Sat 11/30/24

Meet and Greet, Itinerary Review, and Welcome Dinner

Day 2 - Sun 12/1/24

Robben Island Stellenbosch Lunch and Wine Tasting Tour

Day 3 - Mon 12/2/24

City Walking Tour Township Tour

Day 4 - Tues 12/3/24

Table Mountain
Cape Point, Chapman's Peak Drive, & Boulder's Beach

Day 5 - Wed 12/4/24

Travel to Mpumalanga Village visit

Day 6 - Th 12/5/24

Kruger National Park - Safari Game Drive Sudwala Caves and Butterfly Garden

Day 7 - Fri 12/6/24

Panorama Route

Day 8 - Sa 12/7/24

Travel to Johannesburg Nelson Mandela Square, Sandton City Mall

Day 9 - Sun 12/8/24

Rosebank Sunday Market Mandela Sanctuary Brunch City Tour

Day 10 - Mon 12/9/24

Apartheid Museum Soweto Tour

Day 11 - Tuesday 12/10/24

Departures

^{*} The Itinerary and order of events are tentative and subject to change based on logistical and scheduling needs

PAYMENT PLAN SCHEDULE

Double Occupancy
INITIAL DEPOSIT

\$250.00

MONTHLY PAYMENT PLAN

Jan 15, 2024 - \$250.00 Feb 15, 2024 - \$250.00 Mar 15, 2024 - \$250.00 Apr 15, 2024 - \$250.00 May 15, 2024 - \$250.00 June 15, 2024 - \$250.00

July 15, 2024 - \$250.00 Aug 15, 2024 - \$250.00

TOTAL: \$2,250.00

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SEE YOU IN SOUTH AFRICA!

