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BASED TOUR
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AFRICAN HIGHLIGHTS

21 DAYS



2019 & 20 DEPARTURES

DATE	TWIN	SOLO
18 Aug - 7 Sep 19	\$12,995*	\$14,495*
8 Sep - 28 Sep 19	\$12,995*	\$14,495*
22 Aug - 11 Sep 20	\$13,995*	\$15,495*
19 Sep - 9 Oct 20	\$13,995*	\$15,495*

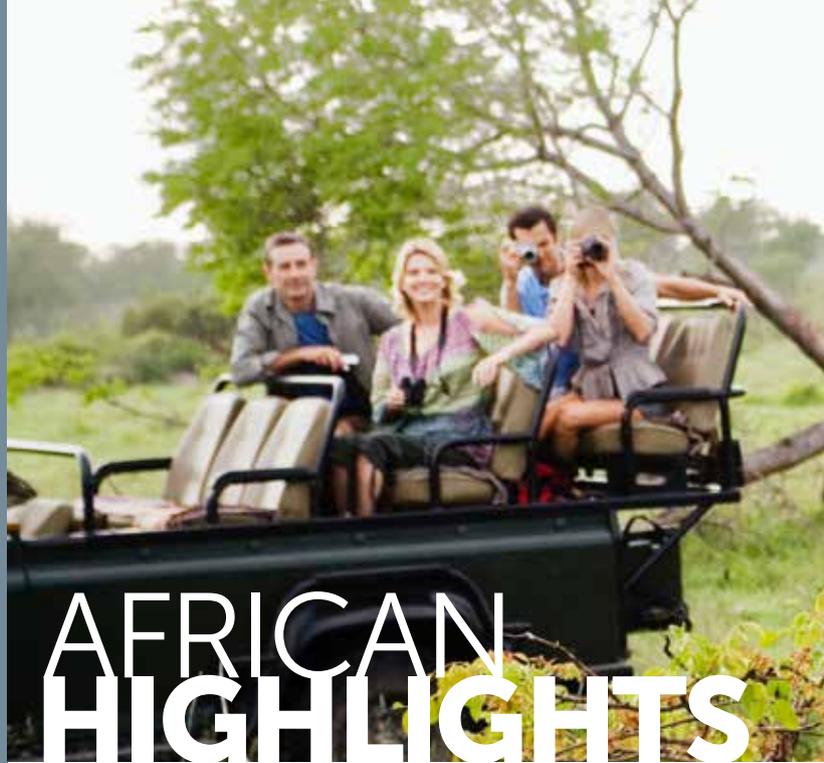
For additional information on this trip, including tour suitability and activity levels, please refer to the detailed trip notes at www.escortedescapes.com.au. Prices are per person.

THE ESCORTED ESCAPES INCLUSIONS

- ✓ AIRFARES INCLUDED*
- ✓ FULLY ESCORTED HOLIDAYS*
- ✓ VISAS, TRANSFERS, TIPPING INCLUDED*
- ✓ SMALL GROUPS*
- ✓ INCLUSIVE SIGHTSEEING*

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

- Experience majestic wildlife viewing during your stay at a luxury private game reserve
- Visit the world famous Kruger National Park on a full day safari
- Witness one of the seven natural wonders of the world, Victoria Falls
- Explore the coastal scenery along South Africa's renowned garden route
- Marvel at the majestic view of Victoria Falls on your included 'Flight of the Angels'
- View elephants and hippos up close as you cruise along the Chobe River
- Take the cable car to the summit of Table Mountain for views across Cape Town, one of the world's most spectacular cities
- Sample local wines at some of the beautiful West Cape vineyards
- Discover the stunning coastline of the Cape Peninsula on a sightseeing tour



DAY 1 AUSTRALIA

Our Escorted Escape begins today as you fly from your nearest capital city to Sydney. Tonight is spent at the airport hotel where you can meet your host and share a welcome drink with your fellow travellers.

Accommodation: Rydges Sydney Airport Hotel

DAY 2 AUSTRALIA - JOHANNESBURG

Fly to Johannesburg. On arrival we will be transferred to our hotel. Spend the rest of the evening at your leisure.

Meals: B Accommodation: Peermont Mondior Hotel

DAY 3 CHOBE NATIONAL PARK

This morning return to Johannesburg airport for our onward flight to Kasane, the gateway to Chobe National Park. Board a game cruise on the Chobe River before returning to the lodge for dinner.

Meals: B + D Accommodation: Cresta Mowana Safari Lodge

DAY 4 CHOBE NATIONAL PARK

Experience Chobe National Park on an open-vehicle game drive this morning. Chobe is home to the largest elephant population in the world. Late in the afternoon, return to the river for a sunset game cruise and enjoy a dinner feast on board.

Meals: B + D Accommodation: Cresta Mowana Safari Lodge

DAY 5 VICTORIA FALLS

Today we cross the border into Zimbabwe on our way to Victoria Falls. Spend the afternoon at your leisure, perhaps relaxing and watching the wildlife near the property. This evening we enjoy a group dinner at the famous restaurant Boma – Place of Eating.

Meals: B + D Accommodation: Ilala Lodge

DAY 6 VICTORIA FALLS

Board the unforgettable 'Flight of the Angels' helicopter tour this morning and marvel at the majestic views of the falls and iconic Zambezi river from the air. We will also enjoy the panorama of the falls from land while exploring the national park with our guide. In the evening we take to the upper Zambezi on a sunset cruise.

Meals: B Accommodation: Ilala Lodge

DAY 7 CAPE TOWN

Today we fly from Victoria Falls to Cape Town. Spend the afternoon at your leisure – perhaps you might like to go shopping, exploring the local neighbourhoods or relax at your hotel.

Meals: B Accommodation: Portswood Hotel





DAY 8 CAPE TOWN

Explore the city of Cape Town today, beginning with a trip to Robben Island, where Nelson Mandela and other anti-apartheid activists were imprisoned. We will also ride the cable car to the summit of Table Mountain to enjoy stunning views across the city and bay.

Meals: B + D Accommodation: Portswood Hotel

DAY 9 CAPE TOWN

Enjoy a full day of exploration along the stunning Cape Peninsula, following the coast down to the Cape of Good Hope. The views from the lighthouse are stunning as you look down on the meeting of two oceans. Enjoy the beauty of Clifton and Camps Bay, gaze at the peaks of the Twelve Apostles, visit a penguin colony and see the famous wineries of Constantia.

Meals: B + L Accommodation: Portswood Hotel

DAY 10 STELLENBOSCH

Spend a leisurely morning in Cape Town before we depart for the famous South African wine region of Stellenbosch. Explore the town before heading to our lodge to check in.

Meals: B + D Accommodation: De Zalze Lodge

DAY 11 STELLENBOSCH

Enjoy a day in the wine regions of Paarl, Franschhoek and Stellenbosch. Visit two local wineries for tastings, and enjoy a cellar tour and group lunch overlooking the vineyards.

Meals: B + L + D Accommodation: De Zalze Lodge

DAY 12 OUDTSHOORN

Farewell the wine region and head to the coastal town of Hermanus, recognised as one of the best whale watching destinations, from where we'll head out on a cruise to view the southern right whales. We continue on to Oudtshoorn via the Garden Route.

Meals: B + D Accommodation: Swartberg Country Manor

DAY 13 OUDTSHOORN

This morning we'll explore the Cango Caves - a series of hidden chambers cut deep into a thick limestone rock layer in the Swartberg Mountains. We then proceed to a local ostrich farm to enjoy a three course lunch and guided tour.

Meals: B + L + D Accommodation: Swartberg Country Manor

DAY 14 KNYSNA

We depart today for Knysna, a popular town in the heart of the Garden

Route. Knysna is situated on a beautiful lagoon and surrounded by ancient forest. We'll enjoy a boat cruise and lunch at Knysna Heads.

Meals: B + L Accommodation: Protea Hotel Knysna Quays

DAY 15 KNYSNA

Today we further explore the Knysna area, including the Tsitsikamma National Park and the famous Storms River Suspension Bridge, as well as visiting Birds of Eden: the world's largest free flight aviary and bird sanctuary.

Meals: B + L Accommodation: Protea Hotel Knysna Quays

DAY 16 KRUGER NATIONAL PARK

Fly from George to Kruger International Airport and transfer to our lodge. Spend the evening enjoying the facilities of the lodge.

Meals: B + D Accommodation: Muluwa Lodge

DAY 17 KRUGER NATIONAL PARK

Today is a full day game drive, exploring the stunning scenery and wildlife of the Kruger National Park. Covering an area of 19,485 square kilometres, the world-renowned Kruger National Park offers a wildlife experience that ranks with the best in Africa.

Meals: B + D Accommodation: Muluwa Lodge

DAY 18 PRIVATE GAME RESERVE

Following the Panorama Route, we visit a number of highlights including Gods Window, Bourkes Luck Potholes and the Three Rondavels. After checking in to our private game lodge, enjoy your late afternoon game drive.

Meals: B + D Accommodation: Karongwe or Moditlo River Lodge

DAY 19 PRIVATE GAME RESERVE

Embark on an early morning game drive before returning to the lodge for lunch and some down time. Explore different sections of the reserve today, enjoying sundowner drinks on your afternoon game drive where hopefully your checklist of the Big 5 sightings will be complete!

Meals: B + D Accommodation: Karongwe or Moditlo River Lodge

DAY 20 KRUGER - AUSTRALIA

Head out for one last game drive this morning before returning to the lodge for breakfast. Later, transfer to the airport for our flight to Johannesburg and onward to Australia.

Meals: B

DAY 21 AUSTRALIA

Our Escorted Escape concludes. On arrival, farewell your new friends and tour host as you head home.



TOP 10 REASONS TO TRAVEL WITH US

“Once a year,
go someplace you’ve
never been before.”

Dalai Lama

AUSTRALIAN-BASED TOUR HOST

Each and every tour is hosted by an experienced travel professional. Our hosts have travelled extensively themselves and have a passion for exploring our wonderful world. We are there to liaise with the local operators to ensure you relax and enjoy your holiday while we take care of the details.

AIRFARES INCLUDED

Every Escorted Escape includes return economy airfares from Australia (Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne or Adelaide), plus all internal flights as per the itinerary. For available upgrades (at additional cost) or departures from Australian cities not listed above please contact your consultant for pricing. We generally use premium airlines for all long haul travel, to give you the most direct flights and best connection times to our destination. Deviations from the group are often possible, please contact your consultant who will customise your itinerary to make the most of your trip.

SMALL GROUPS

We offer a small-group experience on all of our Escorted Escapes. We guarantee our group size will never exceed 20 travellers on any one tour. With fewer travellers in our groups, you'll spend less time checking into hotels and getting on (and off) transport and more time seeing the sights.

INCLUSIVE SIGHTSEEING

While our trips are leisurely paced, we pride ourselves on including the very best sightseeing on offer in each location. Please refer to the itinerary and trip notes for daily inclusions. Optional activities (at additional cost) may also be available in certain locations.

VISAS, TIPPING & TRANSFERS INCLUDED

We believe travel should be simple and easy for you, which is why we include as many costs as possible, including transfers from your home to the airport (to the value of \$100). Visa costs for Australian passport holders are also included in every tour. We take care of tipping for group activities as well as for your tour leader, local guides and drivers.

UNIQUE ITINERARIES

Each itinerary is carefully planned and unique to Escorted Escapes. They are individually designed with our clientele in mind, reflecting our extensive travel industry experience and valued customer feedback. We prefer to travel at a leisurely pace, minimising one night stays in favour of two and three-night stays at key destinations.

OUR ACCOMMODATION

We use a range of quality accommodation including hotels, lodges, luxury tented

camp and cruise cabins. We take pride in selecting the best locations and guarantee that all accommodation includes private ensuite facilities. With our small group sizes, we have the flexibility to stay in smaller boutique properties, where available, to further enhance your travel experience. Please refer to the trip itinerary for the hotels we have carefully selected for your trip*.

TOUR LEADERS & LOCAL GUIDES

Each of our trips include a local English-speaking tour leader who is your destination expert, in addition to your Australian-based tour host. We also utilise the services of expert local guides where appropriate to enhance your experience in the key destinations.

SOLO TRAVELLERS

If you're travelling solo you don't need to be travelling alone. With our Escorted Escapes, you have the opportunity to travel with a whole new set of friends. Our single supplements are designed to keep the cost down and remove the stress of travelling by yourself.

MEAL INCLUSIONS

Breakfast is included each day for your convenience. We also offer a selection of included meals as per the trip itinerary, while allowing plenty of opportunities for you to sample the local cuisine at your leisure.

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