



## GR 0615 Cape Town Big 5 Safari & Victoria Falls

15th - 22nd Jun 2025 (8 days 7 nights)

**Day 1 - Arrive Cape Town**

**15 Jun 2025**



Welcome to South Africa!

Upon arrival at Cape Town International Airport, proceed through immigration formalities. Then collect your baggage and meet your representative holding a sign with your name. Transfer to your hotel for check-in and overnight.

South Africa, positioned at the southern tip of the African continent, is acknowledged as "a world in one country." It offers a wealth of pristine wilderness, which is complemented by the country's warm hospitality.

■ **Southern Sun The Cullinan Cape Town** Set in Cape Town's Central Business District, this upscale hotel is 1 mile from the ferry to Robben Island and 1.5 miles from Two Oceans Aquarium.

Warm, stately rooms come with flat-screen TVs, free Wi-Fi, minibridges, and tea and coffee-making facilities. Suites add butler service.

A buffet restaurant specializing in Cape Malay fusion cuisine offers breakfast and dinner. There's also a casual bar that serves drinks and light snacks al fresco. Other amenities include a spa, an outdoor pool, and a fitness center, as well as 7 conference rooms.

**Overnight: Southern Sun The Cullinan - Standard Rooms**



After breakfast at the hotel, meet your driver/guide for a Cape Town City & Table Mountain tour.

This afternoon, enjoy the Signature - Wine Chocolates and Diamond experience.

This evening, meet your driver and proceed to enjoy dinner at Gold restaurant with drumming experience.

■ **Meals Included-B/D** Breakfast at your hotel,, Dinner at Gold Restaurant

■ **Full Day Cape Town Tour with Table Mountain** Your tour offers the flexibility of seeing the highlights of Cape Town at your own leisurely pace. Enjoy breath-taking views from the cable car with fast track entry and summit to one of the seven natural wonders of the world: Table Mountain. Be moved by Cape Town's colourful past when you visit historic landmarks such as the Malay Quarter.

**Cape Castle or Castle of Good Hope:** Built by the Dutch after their arrival in 1666, the Castle was erected as a 5 pointed star on the foreshore of Cape Town. It is surrounded today by a variety of other monuments and places of historical interest. The Castle of Good Hope is the oldest surviving building in South Africa. Built between 1666 and 1679, this pentagonal fortification replaced a small clay and timber fort built by Commander Jan van Riebeeck in 1652 upon establishing a maritime replenishment station at the Cape of Good Hope for the Dutch East India Company, better known as the VOC (Verenigde Oost-Indische Compagnie). The Cape of Good Hope houses the regional headquarters of the South African Army in the Western Cape, the famous William Fehr Collection of historic artworks, the Castle Military Museum and ceremonial facilities for traditional Cape Regiments.

**Table Mountain** (weather permitting): Since the first person laid eyes on Table Mountain, it has exerted its powerful and charismatic pull, enchanting and drawing any and all who fall under its spell. The best views of Cape Town are seen from the top of Table Mountain. The Cableway summit is under 10 minutes and the cable car's rotating floor ensures that all passengers have an aerial view of the city. Table Mountain is a sandstone plateau rising up above the Cape Flats. The top is approximately 3km wide, and at its highest point, Maclear's Beacon, rises to 1085m. Over the centuries it has become one of South Africa's most famous landmarks. The steep cliffs and rocky outcrops of the mountain play home to a number of plants and animals. The mountain is home to approximately 1470 species of plants; more than the entire British Isles! Complimenting this vast array of flora is a stunning range of fauna, some, like the Table Mountain Ghost Frog, being found in no other place in the world.

■ **Signature - Wine Chocolates and Diamond Experience** This afternoon at 3 PM, we have a complimentary signature experience with Shimansky Diamond Factory which has been specially prepared for you (reservations are a must).

Rockwell Shimansky

Corner of Prestwich and Alfred Street, Green Point, 8001

**Ring the bell when outside.**

■ **GOLD Restaurant Cape Town** Enjoy dining in a uniquely African restaurant in the heart of Cape Town. The set 14-course Cape Malay and African menu is a taste safari that will transport you from Table Mountain to Timbuktu. This culinary experience is accompanied by unique interactive traditional entertainment.

Served family-style for sharing and tasting, experience traditional African inspired dishes as you are captivated by the tall and graceful Mali Puppets as they dance around your table. The live entertainment of drummers, dancers and singers will embrace and transport you into the heart of Africa.

Guests can also participate in an interactive drum circle where each participant is taught the different sounds and rhythms of the djembe. It is a truly invigorating start to a magical evening at GOLD!

GOLD is about more than the delectable cuisine and lively entertainment. The performers and servers hail from across the African continent and are at the heart of the experience. They are people who represent Africa and embody the continental thread that weaves the mosaic together into a colorful tapestry.

**Overnight: Southern Sun The Cullinan - Standard Rooms**



After breakfast, meet your driver/guide and proceed for a full-day Cape Peninsula tour followed by a visit to the vineyard.

■ **Meals Included-B/L/D** Breakfast at your hotel, Lunch at harbor

■ **Full-Day Cape Peninsula Tour** Cape Town is set on a spectacular mountainous peninsula jutting into the southern oceans. This full-day tour is an ideal way to see the highlights and appreciate the surrounding natural beauty. You'll travel along the Atlantic seaboard with its gorgeous white beaches and rugged mountains to Hout Bay. If open, you'll continue on Chapman's Peak Drive, renowned as one of the most stunning roadways in the world. You'll visit the Cape Point Nature Reserve, the tip of the Cape Peninsula that has captivated travelers for centuries with its dramatic scenery and fascinating history. The return journey to Cape Town takes you along False Bay coast with the option of visiting the colony of rare African Penguins at Boulders Beach. You'll pass through the naval village of Simon's Town, Fish Hoek, Kalk Bay, and Muizenberg.

**Chapman's Peak :** Cape Town's Chapman's Peak Drive is all about the scenery. Overlooking Noordhoek and Hout Bay, this rocky coastal roadway offers numerous points at which motorists can safely pull over and savor a panoramic view across the deep-blue waters of the Atlantic Ocean and the shapely shoreline that meets it. From stunning vantage points, some of which are up to 593m above sea level, it is not uncommon to see whales and dolphins frolicking in the ocean below, and baboon troops curiously observing passing tourists. This is a perfect place from which to take stunning photographs of the Cape.

**Boulders Beach:** Thereafter travel through the historic naval base of Simon's Town where guests will be able to visit a colony of African Penguins in their natural environment at Boulders Beach. Boulders Beach has a lot going for it: the ancient granite boulders protect it from the wind and large waves, making it an ideal swimming spot for kids. Because it falls under the Table Mountain National Park Marine Protected Area, the beach is always clean and safe, and it is rarely crowded.

**Overnight: Southern Sun The Cullinan - Standard Rooms**



After breakfast, transfer to the Airport for your flight to Hoedspruit.

Upon arrival, transfer to your lodge and stay for 2 nights.

■ **Meals included- B/L/D** Breakfast at your hotel, Lunch & Dinner at your lodge

■ **Karongwe River Lodge** At Karongwe River Lodge, a delicious food experience awaits you. Dining under the stars has never been so romantic as you enjoy their Pan African cuisine in a rustic outside Boma or, on alternate evenings, in the beautifully appointed dining room. To compliment your meal, choose from our extensive selection of top South African and imported beers and wine, together with a variety of spirits and soft drinks.

Spend the afternoon relaxing beside the pool or watching the game from your private deck before being whisked away on a late afternoon safari in an open game drive vehicle. The enchanting view over the Makhutsi River is a natural treasure providing insight into the secret river life. The spacious lounge area leading onto a vast deck allows for endless opportunity to view elephant, as well as grazing antelope.

Settle in at your leisure in one of our 11 spacious and air-conditioned suites, with en-suite bathrooms. River Lodge offers guests a choice of 5 Luxury, 2 Family and 2 Executive Suites, with the 2 Presidential Suites enjoying their own private plunge pools.

Includes:

- All Meals
- 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.
- Any transfers from Southern boom gate.
- Bush walks are an optional extra, and only arranged at the Lodge

**Overnight: Karongwe River Lodge - Luxury Suite**



Enjoy the activities offered by the lodge.

■ **Meals included- B/L/D All Inclusive**

■ **Karongwe Game Drives** Traversing over 9000 hectares of the supreme African bushveld, the Karongwe Reserve is home to the Big Five (Lion, Leopard, Buffalo, Rhino, and Elephant) as well as a wealth of other creatures. Our open-vehicle game drives are perfect for game viewing. Enjoy a sundowner while the sun sets over the magnificent Drakensberg Mountains.

The magnificent game viewing makes for perfect photographic opportunities; enjoy the view of the Lowveld from a “kopje” amid the lush vegetation, huge variety of trees, and over 365 different bird species. Game drives are conducted with our qualified game rangers and Shangaan trackers – who will share their vast experience of the African Bush and a chance to view Cheetah on foot.

Game drives are conducted in open safari vehicles with qualified and knowledgeable guides or go on foot for bush walks and get close to the little 5 and feel the true African bush.

**Morning Game Drive**

Wake Up Call at 5:00 am

Coffee, Tea, and Hot Chocolate Served with Rusk's in the Main Area

Morning Game Drive commences at 5:30 am and returns to the lodge at 8:30 or 9:00 am

Breakfast served from 9:00 am

**Evening Game Drive**

Lunch served from 2:30 pm

Afternoon Game Drive commence at 4:00 pm and return to the lodge at 7 or 7:30 pm

Dinner is Served

**Overnight: Karongwe River Lodge - Luxury Suite**



After breakfast, meet your driver and transfer to the Nelspruit Airport for your flight to Victoria Falls.

Welcome to Zimbabwe!

Upon arrival at Victoria Falls Airport, proceed through immigration formalities. Then collect your baggage and look for a signboard with your name. Transfer to Insika Lodge for check-in and overnight. This evening, enjoy the sunset cruise onboard the flagship Zambezi Explorer's Signature Deck'.

Victoria Falls - no doubt one of the major highlights - can be experienced at ground level or through "The Flight of Angels", which aptly refers to the Helicopter Flights over and around Victoria Falls. It originated from the phrase coined by David Livingstone when he first documented discovering the falls: "Scenes so lovely must have been gazed upon by Angels in Their Flight." It is a great name - it describes this activity perfectly as it is surely one of the finest experiences you can have. At ground level, you can feel the enormous power of Victoria Falls as tremendous volumes of water pound into the chasm below, but it is only when you take to the air that you can take in the whole panorama and enormity of this mighty spectacle.

■ **Meals included-B** Breakfast at your lodge

■ **Sunset Cruise- Signature Deck** A visit to Victoria Falls isn't complete without a mesmerizing Sunset Cruise, and the 'Signature Deck' of the flagship Zambezi Explorer is the best choice for this. Uniquely designed, the upper 'Signature Deck' is utter sophistication, and guests are encouraged to relax into the deep-set couches that reflect the earthy tones and river blues found in the surroundings. Enjoy uninterrupted views from the 6m elevation, delicious canapés, and the service of a dedicated mixologist.

■ **Insika Lodge** Insika (IN-SEE-KA) is an isi-Ndebele word meaning "Pillar of Strength". It speaks of the wonder of the Victoria Falls which shoots up a pillar of cloud that can be seen from as far as 32 miles at certain times of the year.

The main lodge area provides a variety of living spaces from which to appreciate the astounding natural beauty of the area. Expansive decks deepen connections with the landscape and our firepit and bar deli overlooks the woodland to provide the perfect setting for delicious meals and fireside storytelling.

Their exquisitely decorated rooms offer a rare African Elegance and the utmost comfort for weary travelers and energetic adventurers alike.

## Overnight: Insika Lodge- Luxury Room

### Day 7 - Victoria Falls - Tour of Falls

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After breakfast, embark on a guided tour of the Falls.

- **Meals Included-B** Breakfast at your lodge

- **Tour of Falls** If there is any magic in this world, perhaps it is contained in water. There is a little bit of heaven reflected on earth in the curtain of water that cascades down into the heart of the world that is The Victoria Falls. The Victoria Falls possess a beauty that is impossible to replicate through any man-made efforts, a natural wonder created by Mother Nature as a reminder of her power and complexity. A trip to Southern Africa would not be complete without laying eyes on this incredible spectacle.

A guided tour of the falls enables you to delve into the local customs and traditions while gaining insight into how such an exquisite creation came to be.

## Overnight: Insika Lodge- Luxury Room

### Day 8 - Departure

22 Jun 2025

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After breakfast at your hotel spend the day at leisure until it is time to check out. Transfer to the Airport for your international flight home, carrying fond memories of your trip back with you.

- **Meals included-B** Breakfast at your lodge



## PRICING

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### Adult (Sharing Double)

Per person in \$

3,780.00

## INCLUDED

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- ✓ Accommodation as specified and subject to availability. Changes to a hotel may reflect in a price difference.
- ✓ English Speaking Driver (Private for Transfers)
- ✓ Meals indicated in the itinerary (B - Breakfast /L - Lunch /D - Dinner)
- ✓ This quote is valid for 7 days from today.
- ✓ Flights - CPT/HDS - MQP/VFA (Economy Class)
- ✓ All government taxes and service charges
- ✓ Tour includes one arrival and departure transfer and any extra transfers will incur additional costs.
- ✓ 2 free changes are provided and any additional changes will result in additional fees
- ✓ Conservation and Park Entrance fees
- ✓ On game drives you will be in 4x4 safari vehicles - Shared
- ✓ Changes to the number of travelers will result in a change in your cost

## NOT INCLUDED

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- ✗ Travel Protection Plan
- ✗ International flights - Into Cape Town and depart from Victoria Falls
- ✗ Coverage for unforeseen events such as medical emergency, baggage loss or cancellation of your trip
- ✗ Passport, visa fees & other related arrangements
- ✗ Expenses of a personal nature such as telephone calls, laundry, beverages, massage & other spa treatments etc.
- ✗ Porterage, tips and gratuities
- ✗ Water in coaches
- ✗ Beverages during meals unless specified in the itinerary
- ✗ Optional tours and transfers