



**Nature
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Cape Town, South Africa *The Mother City!* *October 2023*



October 12, 2023 – Victoria & Alfred Waterfront, Cape Town (4 nights): Upon arrival at the Cape Town Airport, clear immigration and customs, pick up your luggage and exit into the arrivals hall where Carol will be waiting for you, assist you to the vehicle and transfer you by road from the airport to your hotel on a B&B basis with Mountain Views. Check in and enjoy a well-deserved rest!

Victoria & Alfred Hotel <http://www.newmarkhotels.com/accommodation/hotels/victoria-alfred-hotel/>



This luxury hotel is perfectly situated in the heart of the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront. Framed by the ocean and Table Mountain, the elegance and luxury of the Victoria & Alfred Hotel is rivalled only by its relaxed atmosphere and warm personal service. With 94 spacious bedrooms, it's the detail that gives the Victoria & Alfred Hotel its elegance, intimacy, romance and reputation. OYO Restaurant and Cocktail Bar offers both a visual and culinary delight.

October 13 – Half Day Cape Town City Tour (4 hours): This morning you will depart on an informative Cape Town city tour and Table Mountain.



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. After your tour, the afternoon is on your own to visit Robben Island (4 hours) or at leisure to explore the V&A Waterfront.

October 14 – Cape Point Full Day Tour (7-8 hours – Includes Lunch) :



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 will 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 & Drive - 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 savour 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.



Cape Point National Park - Cape Point is in the Cape of Good Hope nature reserve within Table Mountain National Park, which forms part of the Cape Floral Region, a World Heritage Site. Named the 'Cape of Storms' by Bartolomeu Dias in 1488; the 'Point' was treated with respect by sailors for centuries. By day, it was a navigational landmark and by night, and in fog, it was a menace beset by violent storms and dangerous rocks that over the centuries littered shipwrecks around the coastline.



Boulders Beach - After lunch, travel through the historic naval base of Simon's Town where you will be able to visit a colony of African Penguins in their natural environment at Boulders Beach. Boulders Beach near Simon's Town has a 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. African Penguins – formerly known as jackass penguins because of their distinctive braying – are the only penguins found on the continent. Colonies can be found from southern Namibia all the way around the South African coast to Port Elizabeth; however, few places offer as remarkable a viewing point as Boulders Beach. Return to your accommodation.



October 15 – Winelands Full Day Tour (7-8 hours Includes Lunch): Depart Cape Town at approximately 0900hrs for a scenic and historic drive through the local wine regions in Cape Town: Stellenbosch, Franschhoek and Paarl (subject to change depending on wineries visited). The day will also include stopping at some of the famous wine estates to sample the local wines produced in South Africa.



Stellenbosch - 45 minutes from Cape Town city centre, a warm welcome awaits you, the visitor, to the Stellenbosch Wine Route - the first in South Africa - founded in 1971. Stellenbosch consists of tree lined streets and historical architecture. Guests can explore the popular Dorp Street and Oom Samie se Winkel.

Franschhoek -The Gourmet Capital, surrounded by majestic mountains culminating in an awe-inspiring pass, provides added value to the food and wine experience. Visit the Hugenot museum.

Paarl - Only 56km from Cape Town, the "Pearl of the Cape" lies nestled in the Berg River Valley, guarded by the huge granite rocks from which it gets its name. It is well known for its Wine, cuisine, culture and is home of the Afrikaans language. The guests will enjoy 3 wine tastings during the day. Return to your accommodation in Cape Town, rest of the day at leisure.

October 16, 2022 – A sad farewell to Cape Town as you will be transferred to the airport to connect to your flight to Maun, Botswana with South African Airways departing at approximately 1020hrs arriving Maun approximately 1300hrs.

Cape Town Extension

\$3150CDN per person sharing Single \$950CDN

Extra night and transfer in Cape Town - \$300CDN per person

Payable by cheque or credit card *Prices may increase for 2023**

Included:

- Accommodation in Mountain View Rooms.
- Tours & Transfers (air-conditioned vehicle) as indicated in itinerary, entrance fees as indicated in itinerary, lunch on 2 full days
- Gratuities for guides, porters, breakfast in hotel, 2 included lunches

Not included: Personal items; Entrance fees not mentioned; International air; airport departure taxes; Any travel medical or cancellation/interruption insurance; Optional tours and transfers are not included in the total person package cost

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