



Reid Park Zoo Hosted Tour - Johannesburg, Swaziland, and Kruger

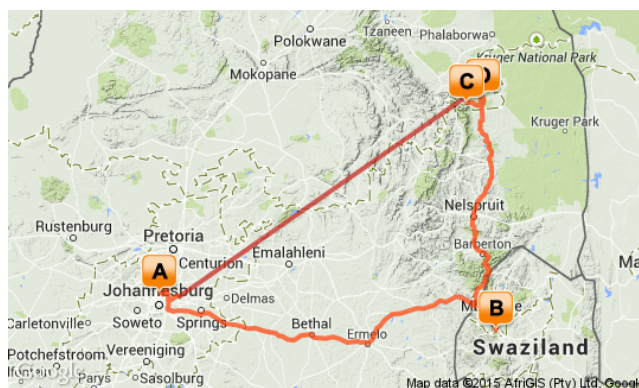
Johannesburg - Swaziland - Lowveld - Kruger Private Reserves

14 Days / 13 Nights

May 31, 2015 - June 13, 2015



This safari experience will trace the roots of Reid Park Zoo's elephant herd in Swaziland and Kruger



An Invitation from Reid Park Zoo's Administrator

Reid Park Zoo's adult African elephants trace their roots to South Africa and Swaziland. Our elephants were brought to the United States in 2003 as part of a conservation program as well as to serve as ambassadors to their wild cousins. With the birth of Nandi, it seems natural for Reid Park Zoo to schedule a safari so we can visit the homeland of these animals.

Reid Park Zoo's safari to South Africa and Swaziland, scheduled to depart May 31st, will visit the ancestral homes of Tucson's elephants. This tour will be the perfect blend of wildlife and culture. We will visit several wildlife conservation areas, exploring different habitats and viewing a diverse array of wildlife. The trip to Swaziland includes a visit to the Hlane Royal National Park, home to the largest herds of wildlife in the Swazi Kingdom. South Africa is home to the BIG FIVE- buffalo, lion, leopard, rhinoceros and, of course, elephant. We'll visit several different habitats within the world famous Kruger National Park, while staying in lovely lodging.

In addition to wildlife viewing, the safari will explore the culture of South Africa with visits to the Apartheid Museum and other city sites within Johannesburg - as well as trips to the Johannesburg Zoo and the National Zoo of South Africa in Pretoria. Both zoos display species that are seldom seen in North American zoological parks such as honey badger, snake eagle, and more.

As a Zoo Director, I've traveled around the world to see wildlife. I've hiked through Alaska to view brown bears, canoed the mangroves of Florida to see manatee, and trekked into the jungles of India to track tiger. Right here in Tucson, I've tried to photograph javelina in my own neighborhood...to no avail. My best experiences viewing wildlife have been while on several safaris to Africa. There is no substitution for watching a herd of elephants, seeing a predator stalk its prey, or spying an exotic bird such as hornbill or barbet. It is these wildlife experiences that have made me thankful for the opportunities zoos give people, every day, to view animals and make a connection with them.

So join me on a trip of a lifetime to South Africa! I look forward to hosting you and introducing you to some of my favorite wildlife experiences.

Jason Jacobs

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Jason Jacobs', written in black ink.

Zoo Administrator

Overview

The Reid Park Zoo cordially invites you on their hosted tour of South African as Swaziland.

Destination	Accommodation	Nights	Basis
Johannesburg	Protea Hotel Balalaika Sandton	4	B&B
Swaziland	Royal Swazi Spa	2	D, B&B
Lowveld	Moholoholo Forest Lodge	2	FB
Kruger Private Reserves	Kapama Buffalo Camp	3	FB+

Key

B&B: Bed and breakfast

D, B&B: Dinner, bed and breakfast

FB: Dinner, bed, breakfast and lunch

FB+: Dinner, bed, breakfast, lunch and activities daily

Day 1: Travelling (Sun, May 31)

Today you will depart from Washington Dulles (IAD) onward to South Africa

Day 2: Protea Hotel Balalaika Sandton, Johannesburg (Mon, June 1)



Johannesburg is one of Africa's biggest and most vibrant cities. It is the economic capital of Africa and the gateway to Southern Africa. Although not as famous as other South African destinations, there is plenty to do in Johannesburg and nearby Pretoria. The old city is a multi-cultural mixture of traditional medicine shops, Chinese restaurants, taxi ranks and ultra modern skyscrapers. There are excellent museums, art galleries and organised tours of historical and political interest. The shopping is Southern Africa's best and the many restaurants cater for all tastes. The nearby township of Soweto is Johannesburg's most popular tourist attraction.

Day Notes

On arrival at OR Tambo International Airport, you will be met by the local English speaking guide for the transfer to the hotel.

Overnight: Protea Hotel Balalaika Sandton

The Protea Hotel Balalaika on Maude Street, in Sandton, is located in Johannesburg's economic heartland. The hotel's charming colonial theme is accentuated with wooden elements and delicate floral accents. The English countryside atmosphere defines this four-star hotel as a little bit of country in the heart of Sandton. Birdsong makes guests forget that they are in a bustling metropolis. Complimentary high-speed Wi-Fi is available throughout the hotel; and a complimentary shuttle to and from the Gautrain station makes the Balalaika easily accessible. Whether it is for business or leisure, the central location and warm hospitality of the Protea Hotel Balalaika are unrivalled, making it your first and only choice when staying in Johannesburg.



Included

Bed & Breakfast

Day 3: Protea Hotel Balalaika Sandton, Johannesburg (Tue, June 2)

Day Notes

After breakfast at the hotel, you will be met by the guide for a full day visit to the Pretoria Zoo (own arrangements) before returning to the hotel. No lunch or dinner is included on this day.

Included

Bed & Breakfast

Day 4: Protea Hotel Balalaika Sandton, Johannesburg (Wed, June 3)

Day Notes

After breakfast at the hotel, you will be met by the guide for a full day visit to the Johannesburg Zoo (own arrangements) before returning to the hotel. No lunch or dinner is included on this day.

Included

Bed & Breakfast

Day 5: Protea Hotel Balalaika Sandton, Johannesburg (Thu, June 4)

Day Notes

After breakfast at the hotel, you will be met by the guide for a full day Journey to Freedom Tour beginning at the Hector Pieterse Museum, where we start to unravel the cause of the devastating riots, before travelling past Mandela House, where you have the option of visiting this small museum (own account). Our next significant stop is the fascinating Regina Mundi Church, site of so many of the underground meetings of the then banned political parties. Standing there, you can feel the tension; picture the intensity, the strain on the faces of those unthinkably brave souls, committed at any cost to changing the way of life of a nation. Lunch is included in Soweto at a local restaurant, before visiting the legendary Apartheid Museum. This is an interactive voyage of discovery, one which takes you from the dark days of 'whites only' privilege, through to Nelson Mandela's historic release. The Apartheid Museum is a multimedia experience, with documentary film snippets, texts, sound clips and live accounts, recapturing life in the dark days of South Africa. Dinner is not included on this evening.

Activities

Hector Pieterse Museum
Regina Mundi Church
Soweto
Apartheid Museum

Optional

Mandela Family Museum

Hector Pieterse Museum

On 16 June 1976 in the Johannesburg township of Soweto, what began as a peaceful march in the name of educational reforms turned to chaos when police troops responded to the demonstrating students with a barrage of live bullets and teargas. One of the most tragic casualties of this debacle was 13-year-old Hector Pieterse, who was killed when he was caught in the cross fire. The Hector Museum, located close to the site of his death, was built to commemorate his untimely passing and the events that ultimately caused it.

Soweto

Johannesburg's biggest township and tourist attraction.

Apartheid Museum

The Apartheid Museum opened in 2001 and is acknowledged as the pre-eminent museum in the world dealing with 20th century South Africa, at the heart of which is the apartheid story.

The Apartheid Museum, the first of its kind, illustrates the rise and fall of apartheid.

An architectural consortium, comprising several leading architectural firms, conceptualised the design of the building on a seven-hectare stand. The museum is a superb example of design, space and landscape offering the international community a unique South African experience.

The exhibits have been assembled and organised by a multi-disciplinary team of curators, film-makers, historians and designers. They include provocative film footage, photographs, text panels and artefacts illustrating the events and human stories that are part of the epic saga, known as apartheid.

A series of 22 individual exhibition areas takes the visitor through a dramatic emotional journey that tells a story of a state-sanctioned system based on racial discrimination and the struggle of the majority to overthrow this tyranny.

For anyone wanting to understand and experience what apartheid South Africa was really like, a visit to the Apartheid Museum is fundamental.

Mandela Family Museum

The Mandela Family Museum is where Nelson Mandela, as a lawyer and political activist, lived with his family from 1946 to 1961 – initially with his first wife, Evelyn Mandela, until their divorce and later with his second wife, Winnie Madikazela Mandela – before going on the run from the law. While he was in jail his family continued to live here. The small “matchbox” house has been converted into a Museum displaying an array of multimedia displays, photographs and the great man’s memorabilia.

Included

Lunch in Soweto at local restaurant

Bed & Breakfast

Excluded

Mandela Family Museum Entrance Fee

Day 6: Royal Swazi Spa, Swaziland (Fri, June 5)



This tiny, land-locked nation boasts a rich historical and cultural heritage. Swaziland encompasses a diverse array of ecosystems – towering mountains and low-lying savannah, tangled rainforests and lush river valleys. Highlights of this laid-back land include the mesmerizingly beautiful ‘Valley of Heaven’, the handicraft haven of the Malkerns Valley and the Hlane Royal National Park, famed for its white rhinos, antelopes and lions.

Day Notes

After breakfast at the hotel, depart with the guide for the drive to Swaziland including visits to the Ngwenya Glass Factory and the Swazi Candle Factory en route. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant en route and dinner at the hotel.

Overnight: Royal Swazi Spa

In the kingdom of Swaziland is a lush and verdant valley named ‘heaven’. In this valley lies a sensational casino resort and its top hotels is the 5-star Royal Swazi Spa. The combination of luxury accommodation conference centre, country club, casino and an elegant new Health Spa, make it the ideal destination for leisure visits, conferences,

incentives, as well as sporting events.
The Royal Swazi Sun has 149 rooms.



Activities

Swazi Candles
Ngwenya Glass Factory

Included

Lunch en route
Dinner at hotel
Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 7: Royal Swazi Spa, Swaziland (Sat, June 6)

Day Notes

After breakfast, depart with the guide for a full day visit to the Hlane Royal National Park. Hlane Royal National Park is home to the largest herds of game in the Swazi Kingdom, encompasses 22,000 hectares of Swazi bushveld dominated by ancient hardwood vegetation. Home to Lion, Elephant, White Rhino, Giraffe and a whole host of other species, Hlane is also blessed with an abundant and diverse bird life, including the highest density of nesting white backed vultures in Africa. Enjoy a 2 ½ hour open vehicle game drive in the park before returning to the hotel. Lunch is included at Hlane and enjoy dinner at the hotel.

Activities

Hlane Royal National Park

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Hlane, named by King Sobhuza II, with its adjacent dispersal areas covers 30 000 hectares of Swazi bushveld, dominated by ancient hardwood vegetation. Hlane is home to lion, elephant and white rhino, with an abundant and diverse bird life, including the highest density of nesting white backed vultures in Africa

Included

Lunch in Hlane
Dinner at hotel
Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 8: Moholoholo Forest Lodge, Lowveld (Sun, June 7)



The Mpumalanga Lowveld lies between the northernmost reaches of the Drakensberg Escarpment and the Kruger National Park. It is renowned for its sub-tropical climate, excellent farming areas and great access to the game reserves and attractions of the Panorama Route.

Day Notes

After breakfast at the hotel, depart with the guide and travel through to Pilgrims Rest for a lunch stop at a local restaurant before continuing to the Moholoholo Rehabilitation Centre. Nestled in a picturesque setting at the base of the Drakensberg escarpment in the Limpopo Province of South Africa, Moholoholo has become a haven for the rehabilitation and care of abandoned, injured and poisoned wildlife. Overnight on a full board basis at Moholoholo Forest Camp

Overnight: Moholoholo Forest Lodge**Activities**

Pilgrim's Rest
Moholoholo Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre

Pilgrim's Rest

A stay in Pilgrim's Rest will soon have you plotting your search for gold! This living museum town was declared a National Monument in 1986 to commemorate the gold rush days in South Africa during the late 1800s and early 1900s. History is evident throughout in its antiquated shops, hotels and museums.

Included

Lunch at Pilgrims Rest
Full Board

Day 9: Moholoholo Forest Lodge, Lowveld (Mon, June 8)

Day Notes

After breakfast at the lodge enjoy the full day to explore Moholoholo. Moholoholo ("The Very Great One") is ideally situated for day excursions to the Blyde River Canyon, Bourkes's Luck Potholes, Graskop, Sabie, each place known for either beautiful waterfalls, views or history.

Included

Full Board

Day 10: Kapama Buffalo Camp, Kruger Private Reserves (Tue, June 9)



All along the world renowned Kruger National Park's western boundary are private game reserves which combine with the Kruger to create one of the world's largest game reserves and a truly remarkable destination. These reserves offer excellent game viewing opportunities together with the advantages of smaller, hosted accommodation and game drives. A trip to the Kruger is an unforgettable and potentially life changing experience.

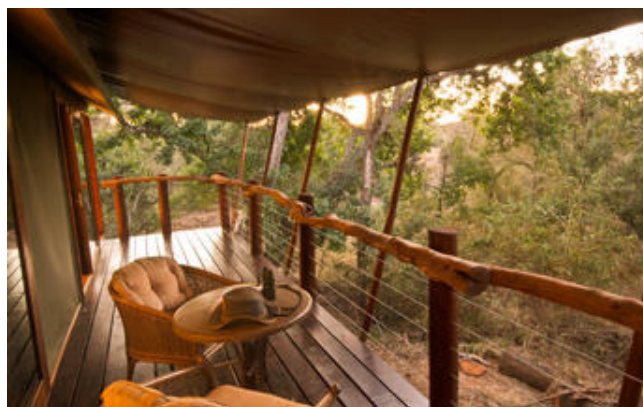
Day Notes

After breakfast at the lodge, depart with the guide to Kapama Game Reserve. Your guide will leave you here. At the lodge you will be met and shown to your rooms. After settling in join the other guests for lunch. After lunch there is free time to relax during the heat of the day. All guests will congregate in the late afternoon for "high tea" before embarking on your first open vehicle game drive under the guidance of your experienced ranger and tracker team in search of Africa's famous wildlife. At sunset stop for sundowners to toast the end of another day in Africa, before continuing the safari after dark with the aid of powerful spotlights to, hopefully, glimpse some of the elusive nocturnal game. Return to the camp for dinner.

Overnight: Kapama Buffalo Camp

Kapama Private Game Reserve is situated in the greater Kruger National Park region, the reserve is home to the Big 5 and an abundance of other animals. Buffalo Camp's custom built luxury safari tents are positioned beneath sturdy trees along a dry river course and include a bath and air-conditioning.

Buffalo Camp guests are invited to join experienced rangers in the exciting challenge of interpreting the sights and sounds of the African bushveld and tracking down the wildlife on dawn and dusk safaris.



Included

Full Board and Activities

Day 11: Kapama Buffalo Camp, Kruger Private Reserves (Wed, June 10)

Day Notes

Enjoy the full days on safari. Your twice daily safaris take place at dawn and dusk, when the bush is at its most active and chances of spotting game the best. Your experience ranger and tracker team will help you make the most of your time on safari through their extensive knowledge of the African savannah. The reserve is home to a wide variety of African game, including the “Big Five” lion, elephant, rhino, leopard and buffalo. Safaris are conducted in open 4x4 vehicles which allow you a truly thrilling safari experience.

Included

Full Board and Activities

Day 12: Kapama Buffalo Camp, Kruger Private Reserves (Thu, June 11)

Day Notes

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Included

Full Board and Activities

Day 13: Departure (Fri, June 12)

Day Notes

Awake early for a final morning safari in this unspoiled wilderness, and a last chance to maybe spot that elusive leopard! Return to the lodge for a hearty breakfast before the road transfer to Hoedspruit Airport to board the flight to Johannesburg and the onward flight home.

Day 14: Travelling (Sat, Jun 13)

Upon arrival connection onward to your final US destination.

Transport

Flight Information

Date	Flight	Departure Airport	Time	Arrival Airport	Time
May 31	SA 208	Washington Dulles International Airport [IAD]	17:40	OR Tambo International Airport [JNB]	17:10
Jun 12	SA 1228	Eastgate Airport [HDS]	13:55	OR Tambo International Airport [JNB]	16:55
Jun 12	SA 207	OR Tambo International Airport [JNB]	18:20	Washington Dulles International Airport [IAD]	18:25

Transfers

Date	Pick Up	Drop Off	Time	Vehicle
Jun 01	OR Tambo International Airport [JNB]	Protea Hotel Balalaika Sandton	TBD	TBD
Jun 05	Protea Hotel Balalaika Sandton	Royal Swazi Spa	TBD	TBD
Jun 07	Royal Swazi Spa	Moholoholo Forest Lodge	TBD	TBD
Jun 09	Moholoholo Forest Lodge	Kapama Buffalo Camp	TBD	TBD
Jun 12	Kapama Buffalo Camp	Eastgate Airport [HDS]	TBD	TBD

Includes

International coach air from Washington Dulles (IAD), Africa domestic internal coach air in South Africa as per the itinerary (Hoedspruit- Johannesburg) ~ Accommodation as per the itinerary ~ Meals as per the itinerary ~ Ground transfers as per the itinerary in a luxury, air-conditioned 15-seater coach, Guide and Driver, Reid Park Zoo Escort

Excludes

Add on air from other US cities ~ Any meals, services, or fees not mentioned above ~ Any items of personal expense - i.e. drinks, telephone calls, laundry etc. ~ Gratuities for rangers/guides/drivers

Land Price PER PERSON		
	USD	\$4,460

Domestic and International Air		
PER PERSON	USD	\$1,421

TOTAL (LAND + Air)		
PER PERSON TOTAL	USD	\$5,881
TOTAL for DOUBLE OCCUPANCY	USD	\$11,762

Single Supplement		
	USD	\$1,478

Reid Park Zoo Donation: **\$300 usd per person**

Terms:

Price is per person based on required double occupancy. Valid as of October 31, 2014 for travel between May 31, 2015 through June 13, 2015, with the same itinerary available at higher prices during other travel periods. Price for other departure cities and/or travel dates may vary. Subject to availability and currency exchange rate fluctuations. Prices are valid for new bookings only, are not retroactive and may change without notice. Baggage and optional service fees, cancellation charges and other restrictions may apply. Package include all government and airline imposed taxes and fees.

Please take note that there are no reservations for hotels or excursions being held under your name at this time.

All availability and pricing is subject to change until time of booking when itinerary is secured with payment from a credit card.

-Add-on- Cape Town Extention

Cape Town

4 Days / 3 Nights

June 15, 2015 - June 18, 2015



Destination	Accommodation	Nights	Basis	Room Type
Cape Town	Southern Sun Cullinan Hotel	3	B&B	

Day 1: Southern Sun Cullinan Hotel, Cape Town (Fri, June 12)



Cape Town is one of the world's most beautiful cities and a top international destination. Large numbers of tourists flock to Cape Town to enjoy this unique city with its fascinating history, interesting culture, natural beauty, award winning wines and laidback lifestyle. Whether you are a serious tourist or just want to lie on the beach and enjoy life, Cape Town will satisfy your needs.

Day Notes

On arrival at Cape Town International Airport, you will be met by your local English speaking guide for the transfer to the hotel. No lunch or dinner is included on this day.

Overnight: Southern Sun Cullinan Hotel

Boasting a total of 394 rooms, each befitted with a host of amenities such as direct-dial phones, free WiFi, tea and coffee stations, electronic safes, en-suite facilities and supremely comfortable double or queen beds. Additional touches such as porter service, 24-hour room service and a wake-up service ensure that you sleep even more deeply each night, while beautiful furnishings and décor are a treat for the rest of your senses too.

As for the hotel itself, you can expect to be treated like royalty throughout your stay. Take a dip in our large outdoor pool, relax on the spacious deck, work up a sweat in our fully-equipped fitness centre, savour delicious food and fine wine at our outstanding dining options such as The Star Bar and Terrace and The Peach Tree Restaurant.

Conferencing facilities, loyalty specials and many other perks also await you as a guest at the hotel.



Included

Bed & Breakfast

Day 2: Southern Sun Cullinan Hotel, Cape Town (Sat, June 13)

Day Notes

After breakfast, you will be met by the guide for a full day Cape Peninsula Tour, beginning travelling along the Atlantic Seaboard past Clifton to Hout Bay and experience a cruise past the seals on Seal Island. Continue over Chapman's Peak to the Cape Point Nature Reserve. Enjoy a lunch at a local fish restaurant (included) before paying a visit to the penguins on Boulders Beach and Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens. Return to the hotel in the late afternoon. Dinner is not included on this evening.

Activities

Cape Point Tour Full Day

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Highlights of a trip down to Cape Point include; one of the world's most spectacular drives, Hout Bay, Chapman's Peak, Noordhoek Beach, the Cape Point Nature Reserve, two lighthouses on the tip of Africa, Boulders Penguin Colony, Simonstown, Kalk Bay and the Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens.

Included

Bed & Breakfast

Day 3: Southern Sun Cullinan Hotel, Cape Town (Sun, June 14)

Day Notes

After breakfast, depart with the guide for a full day tour exploring the fabled Cape wine region. Your journey will take you through the breath-taking scenery and the historic towns of Stellenbosch, Franschhoek and Paarl. During the course of the day you will enjoy two wine tastings as well as a full cellar tour to gain better knowledge of the wine making process. Lunch is included at a local wine estate en route. Dinner is not included on this evening.

Activities

Cape Winelands Day Tour

Cape Winelands Day Tour

From Cape Town make your way out into the picturesque winelands visiting South Africa's most famous wine regions – Paarl, Franschhoek and Stellenbosch. Aside from the excellent wines the area is renowned for its food and is steeped in history such as the Taal monument, various museums and the contribution of the French Huguenots. There are also many attractions you wouldn't expect to find on a wine route, from butterflies to cheetahs and pretty much everything in between.

Included

Bed & Breakfast

Day 4: Departure (Mon, June 15)

Day Notes

After breakfast at the hotel, enjoy time at leisure until you are met by the guide for the transfer to the airport to board the flight to Johannesburg and the onward flight home.

Transport

Flight Information

Date	Flight	Departure Airport	Time	Arrival Airport	Time
Jun 12	SA 1242	Eastgate Airport [HDS]	12:45	Cape Town International Airport [CPT]	15:20
Jun 15	SA 336	Cape Town International Airport [CPT]	14:10	OR Tambo International Airport [JNB]	16:10

Transfers

Date	Pick Up	Drop Off
Jun 12	Cape Town International Airport [CPT]	Southern Sun Cullinan Hotel
Jun 15	Southern Sun Cullinan Hotel	Cape Town International Airport [CPT]

Includes

Africa domestic internal coach air in South Africa as per the itinerary (Hoedspruit- Cape Town – Johannesburg) ~ Accommodation as per the itinerary ~ Meals as per the itinerary ~ Ground transfers as per the itinerary ~ Scheduled Cape Peninsula Tour ~ Scheduled Winelands Tour ~ Reid Park Zoo Escort

Excludes

Add on air from other US cities ~ Any meals, services, or fees not mentioned above ~ Any items of personal expense - i.e. drinks, telephone calls, laundry etc. ~ Entrance fees on Cape Peninsula tour to Boulders penguins, Seal Island cruise ~ Gratuities for rangers/guides/drivers

Add-on Price Estimate:

Add-On Pricing Per Person (Double Occupancy)		
	USD	\$895
Add-On Single Supplement		
	USD	\$292

Reid Park Zoo Donation:
\$50 usd per person**Terms:**

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