



Cape Town International Convention Centre, South Africa

## TOURS AND SAFARIS

### PRE AND POST-CONGRESS TOURS

#### SAFARIS

Please note: pre and post-congress tours do not depart from Cape Town.

#### 5 DAYS – KRUGER PARK SAFARI

**R8500pp sharing; R9900 single**

An experienced local veterinarian will accompany these tours.



The tour departs from the Farm Inn, on the outskirts of Pretoria. To facilitate matters, it is recommended that delegates book accommodation at the Farm Inn for the night before the tour commences, as well as for the night after the tour. Transfers from OR Tambo International Airport (Johannesburg) to / from the Farm Inn can be arranged, on request.

**Pre-congress tour: 4-8 October 2011**

**Post-congress tour: 16-20 October 2011**

#### Day 1:

Depart from the Farm Inn, Pretoria. The drive to Kruger National Park takes us through the rolling grasslands of the Highveld (up to 2000 m above sea level), until we reach the mountainous Eastern



Escarpment with its dramatic scenery & waterfalls. We descend to the region known as the Lowveld, an area rich in legend & history. The world-renowned Kruger National Park is on most tourists' "must-see" list and is one of South Africa's greatest natural assets. With its huge diversity of creatures, many of which are nocturnal, Kruger is unquestionably one of Africa's leading game reserves. The birdlife is prolific. Africa's famous "Big 5" (lion, leopard, rhinoceros, elephant & buffalo) were considered the most dangerous trophies to bag during the days when hunting was rife in Africa. Kruger has good aircon accommodation, restaurants, shops & an excellent infrastructure of roads & facilities. Visitors to Kruger can spend all day from dawn to sunset on the vast road network in search of animals, although most prefer to restrict game-viewing to a few hours during early morning & late afternoon, when the wildlife tends to be more active. Dinner in the camp restaurant overlooking the Sabie River, the haunt of hippos and crocodiles.

Overnight at Skukuza rest camp, headquarters of the Park (DB&B)

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## Day 2:

After an early-morning game-viewing drive, we return to Skukuza for a leisurely breakfast. Later that morning we visit the veterinary facilities at Skukuza, for a fascinating peek



behind the scenes. Meet the vets involved in clinical wildlife work as well as disease surveillance. Early afternoon at leisure, to rest, visit the Park information centre or browse in the gift shop.

Late afternoon we depart on a sunset game drive in an open vehicle with one of the Park rangers, returning to camp after dark. Dinner in the camp restaurant.

Overnight at Skukuza rest camp (DB&B)

## Day 3:

Early-morning game drive, which allows the option of a lie-in for those who need their sleep. Return to Skukuza for breakfast. We then head north towards the game-rich plains of the central areas of the Park, arriving at Satara camp in time for a late lunch.

Late afternoon we depart on a sunset game drive in an open vehicle with one of the Park rangers, returning to camp after dark. Dinner at the camp restaurant.

Overnight at Satara, the favourite camp of many knowledgeable locals (DB&B)

## Day 4:

Early-morning game drive followed by breakfast. The plains & river-beds in the immediate area of Satara are considered prime game-viewing area. Lion, hyaena, buffalo & cheetah are often spotted in the early mornings.

Late afternoon game-viewing drive. Optional: a sunset drive with one of the Park rangers, returning to camp after dark. Dinner in the camp restaurant.

Overnight at Satara (DB&B)

## Day 5:

Enjoy a final early-morning game drive before we leave the Park for the drive of approx 6 hrs back to Pretoria, following a different route up the escarpment.

and other experienced wildlife vets will include elephant immobilization in the world-famous Kruger National Park.

## Course content:

- Practical demonstrations and active participation in field work
- Applied physiology
- Pharmacological principles, from injection to recovery
- Current and new pharmacological preparations
- Equipment: darting with a wide range of projectors
- Basic principles of immobilisation
- Species-specific information
- Problems under anaesthesia
- Accidental human injection
- Confined-space darting
- Legal aspects of darting, keeping records and registers.

## Fee includes:

- Taxes (14% VAT)
- Transfers from Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport (Nelspruit, South Africa) on the specified arrival and departure dates
- 6 nights accommodation (sharing) in Terra Luna Lodge situated 10km outside Nelspruit, South Africa. Surcharge of R2200 per person for single accommodation (space limited and dependent on availability)
- Breakfast, lunch & dinner
- All lectures & course notes
- Kruger National Park entrance fee

## Fee excludes:

- Beverages during meals
- Flights to Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport, Nelspruit (Mbombela). (Daily flights between KMIA and Johannesburg/ Cape Town offered by South African Airways and Kulula. Check websites for details: [www.flysaa.com](http://www.flysaa.com) and [www.kulula.com](http://www.kulula.com))
- Accompanying persons can register for accommodation and meals at a fee of R5000.00 per person but may not attend any part of the presented courses and will be responsible for own programme/itinerary. Limited couple accommodation available (First come, first serve.)

## Note:

- Courses are CPD-accredited with the South African Veterinary Council; certificate of attendance issued
- Courses are restricted to 20 participants
- The organizers reserve the right to cancel a course, in the event of insufficient registrations.

**To register for this course, please go to [www.worldvetcongress2011.com](http://www.worldvetcongress2011.com) click on Wildlife Immobilisation Course.**



## WILDLIFE IMMOBILISATION COURSE

**Course fee: ZAR11400 per person (VAT inclusive)**

**(Veterinarians only)  
COURSE DATES: 2-8 OCTOBER 2011 &  
16-22 OCTOBER 2011**

World Veterinary Congress in South Africa offers veterinarians a unique, hands-on experience in wildlife immobilization. A course conducted by Dr Cobus Raath



## VETERINARY PRE-CONGRESS TOURS

These are tailor-made, veterinary-centred tours that will be run to end in Cape Town to coincide with the start of the World Veterinary Congress. They will enable participants to see representative aspects of South Africa's agriculture, especially the livestock industry and veterinary involvement. Other aspects will not be neglected, however, and participants can also expect to obtain insight into the country's geography, geology, mining, wildlife, cultures, history, infrastructure, economy, food and wines and its great variety of people.

Visitors will be accompanied by veterinarians and will meet others who are involved in a wide variety of practices and industries. Participants will arrive in Cape Town well informed and prepared to get the maximum benefit from the Congress. We will offer the following 2 options, which may be duplicated or restricted depending on the interest.

Further details will be given as soon as the programmes are finalised.

### TOUR A (JOHANNESBURG – CAPE TOWN)

**R12000.00 pp sharing (minimum 15 persons)**

*A 9-day, 8 night odyssey by coach from Johannesburg to Cape Town.*



**Day 0** (30 September 2011): Book in at hotel in Johannesburg from 14h00. (For own account.)

Local sight-seeing tours can be arranged that day.

**Day 1** (1 October 2011): Depart from Johannesburg (early morning). Travel through the gold fields that formed the foundation of South Africa's current financial wellbeing, visiting a beef feedlot on the way to Kimberley and meet the local vets and obtain insight into their practices. Overnight in Kimberley

**Day 2** (2 October 2011): Visit the Big Hole, the greatest hand-dug diamond mine in the world; visit Magersfontein, site of an epic Boer-British battle, a nearby wildlife ranch and a veterinary practice. Overnight in Kimberley

**Day 3** (3 October 2011): Travel to Bloemfontein, across the area of a recent Rift Valley Fever outbreak, see an artificial insemination station and then travel through the semi-arid Karoo and visit a racehorse stud. Overnight in Colesberg and hear a talk on the local history.

**Day 4 & 5** (4 & 5 October 2011): Visit Grootfontein, the Agricultural College, before visiting a Merino farm that has been in the same family for 150 years and that also has a large private collection of early dinosaur fossils. Visit the quaint village, New Bethesda, and its famed Owl House. Overnight in the historic Drostdy Hotel in Graaff-Reinet for 2 nights. From this base explore the local points of interest like the Valley of Desolation, a local Angora goat farm and a pig farm. Graaff-Reinet also has many places of historical interest.

**Day 6 & 7** (6 & 7 October 2011): Travel to the centre and origin of ostrich farming, Oudtshoorn. En route we see the towering, contorted cliffs of the Meiringspoort pass. Overnight for 2 nights in Oudtshoorn and visit an ostrich farm, an abattoir, the Cango caves and a predator research centre.

**Day 8** (8 October 2011): Visit the town and nearby dairy farms in George and Mossel Bay, where the first Europeans landed in 1488. A replica of the ship and the first Post Office will be visited. Overnight in Swellendam.

**Day 9** (9 October 2011): Travel on to Caledon, visit a boutique brewery, see the whales at Hermanus and visit farms. View the spectacular scenery around False Bay before arriving in Cape Town.



### TOUR B (PORT ELIZABETH – CAPE TOWN)

**R9500.00 pp sharing (minimum 15 persons) Flight to Port Elizabeth not included**

*A 6-day, 5-night exploration by coach from Port Elizabeth to Cape Town*

**Day 0** (3 October 2011): Book in at hotel in Port Elizabeth from 14h00. (For own account.)

**Day 1** (4 October 2011): Do a sightseeing tour of Port Elizabeth and move on to Jeffrey's Bay with its magnificent surfing beaches, see lush dairy farms. Overnight in Plettenberg Bay.

**Day 2** (5 October 2011): Travel through the lush forests of Knysna, visit animal sanctuaries and then visit dairy farms before an overnight stop in George.

**Day 3** (6 October 2011): Day tour to Oudtshoorn: visit an ostrich farm, an abattoir, the Cango caves and see a predator research centre. Overnight in George.

**Day 4** (7 October 2011): Travel to Mossel Bay, where the first



Europeans landed in 1488. Visit a replica of the ship and the first Post Office. Visit sheep farm near Riversdale. Overnight in Riversdale.

**Day 5** (Saturday 8 October 2011): Visit dairy farms en route to Worcester, where wine farms are visited. Overnight in Worcester.

**Day 6** (9 October 2011): Travel through magnificent mountain scenery via Wellington to Paarl; see local sights, a pig farm and a wine farm before arriving in Cape Town.

## 3 DAYS - SUN CITY

Drive 2.5 hours to Sun City, a famous sports & entertainment resort located in an extinct volcano crater. Sun City hosts one of the world's most prestigious annual golf tournaments. Apart from the casino, attractions which can be visited at extra cost include Pilanesberg Nature Reserve, the Valley of the Waves, Water World and a guided tour of the Palace of the Lost City.

**Option 1: Sun City Cabanas Hotel (B&B) – R3900pp sharing; R5800 single**

**Option 2: Sun City Main Hotel (B&B) – R4300pp sharing; R6700 single**



### Day 1:

Transfer 2 ½ hours out of Johannesburg to Sun City. The Sun City complex is surrounded by two championship golf courses, numerous swimming pools and a huge man-made lake offering various water sports. This magical city knows no limits - you have the chance to win a fortune at the Casino and Entertainment Centre, there are lavish extravaganzas and a number of restaurants to cater for every taste. Overnight at Sun City (B&B)

### Day 2:

Spend the day at leisure and enjoy optional activities that include Hot Air Ballooning, Valley of the Waves, or take a walk through the gardens of the Lost City. There is also jet-skiing, windsurfing, water-skiing and for those who want a leisurely cruise, there's a

barge to take you around the lake at Sundowner time.

Alternatively spend the day exploring the world-renowned Pilanesberg National Game Reserve next to Sun City, (Arrange this easily from your hotel on arrival at Sun City) Overnight at Sun City (B&B)

### Day 3:

Morning check out and transfer to Johannesburg.

## CAPE TOWN EXCURSIONS/DAY TOURS/ACCOMPANYING PERSONS PROGRAMME

### HALF-DAY CITY TOUR

**R300 per person**

Highlights include Table Mountain (weather permitting, cableway ticket R200 excluded) or Signal Hill, a coastal drive through Clifton & Sea Point, stroll through the Company Gardens and drive past the Houses of Parliament, City Hall, the historic Castle & Slave Lodge.



### HALF-DAY WINELANDS

**R420 per person**

Drive through the historic university town of Stellenbosch and visit a picturesque wine estate for a cellar tour, cheese and wine tasting. This is a good opportunity to buy estate wines, which can be shipped back to your home.



### HALF-DAY TOWNSHIP

**R330 per person**

A morning guided orientation of the "other side" of Cape Town's history, with visits to District Six Museum, a local market in Langa, a community centre and a traditional healer. Visit the Amy Biehl Memorial to



the USA social worker who was murdered by the very community she was trying to assist, then continue through the townships of Nyanga, Crossroads & Khayelitsha. This is an opportunity to see how millions of people are trying to eke out a living.

## FULL-DAY PENINSULA TOUR

R600 per person



Highlights include Table Mountain Cableway (weather permitting, cableway ticket R200 excluded), a boat cruise to Seal Island, Chapman's

Peak Drive, Cape Point Nature Reserve, a photo-opportunity at the south-western tip of Africa, Cape Point & the African penguin colony at Boulders beach. Lunch is excluded.

## FULL-DAY WINELANDS

R600 per person

The tour includes visits to 3 wine estates for tastings/cellar tour and a city tour of the University town of Stellenbosch and all its historical sights. Wine estates are carefully selected to give clients an interesting mix of red/white wines & small, intimate estates compared with large establishments. Lunch is excluded.



rolling hills are a tapestry of orchards, vineyards, olive groves & indigenous fynbos. This tour takes guests over 2 of the famous Cape mountain passes. Lunch is included.

## FULL-DAY TOWNSHIP/ROBBEN ISLAND

R650 per person



The morning tour is identical to the township tour detailed above.

After a lunch stop in the Waterfront (lunch excluded), you will depart for Robben Island by ferry where you will tour the Island. Former political prisoners who had been detained on the Island will act as your guides.

## EVENT ORGANISER

For all congress enquiries:



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## FULL-DAY FRUIT & FLOWER FARMS

R800 per person, including lunch



Visit the Elgin valley which is a comfortable 1 hour drive out of Cape Town. Elgin is one of SA's most important deciduous fruit areas. There are also some outstanding wine-producing estates and a flourishing cut-flower export industry. Elgin's green