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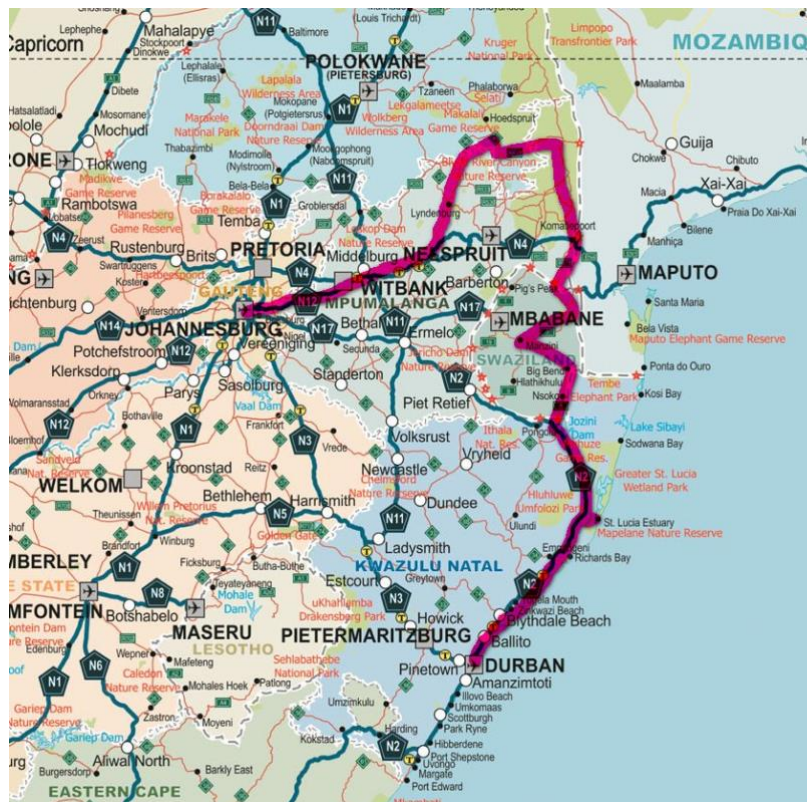
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KRUGER TO DURBAN IN 12 DAYS

An overland tour from Johannesburg to Durban, this adventure is for those looking for a **wildlife, culture and scenic experience**. Enjoy excellent game viewing in the Kruger Park, the wetlands of Isimangalaso and Hluhluwe-Imfolozi wildlife reserves. The Kingdom of Swaziland offers an insight into traditional culture and you have the opportunity to engage with the Zulu community at Shakaland. All of this takes place in differing geographic and climate zones with unique scenery, including rolling bushveld, majestic mountains and pristine beaches; something for everyone.

There are also plenty of opportunities for **shopping** and fine and casual dining for everyone, plus the chance to experience local **cuisine** – including South Africa's own renowned wines.





KRUGER TO DURBAN ITINERARY

DAY 1: JOHANNESBURG

You will be met at the airport in Johannesburg and transferred to Africa Sky Guest House. Should your flight arrive early morning, you will have the day at leisure in Johannesburg. Choose from the following options.

Option 1: Spend the day resting and relaxing at Africa Sky Guest House.

Option 2: *LESEDI CULTURAL VILLAGE:* Experience African culture. Visit the Ndebele village for a presentation on the history of today's rainbow nation, followed by a tour of Pedi, Sotho, Xhosa, Zulu and Ndebele homesteads. Then to the boma for traditional singing and dancing - a very participative affair!
Cost: R1 400 pp (lunch incl., drinks excl.)

Option 3: *SOWETO HALF DAY TOUR:* One of the most famous settlements in Africa, Soweto today is a monument to the history of political struggle. Travel past "Barra" hospital and Walter Sisulu square (Freedom square), visit Kliptown and discuss an informal settlement. Visit Mandela house museum and the Hector Peterson memorial. Pass the Regina Mundi Church and informal settlements. Wandie's shebeen is a stop for an optional drink or lunch.
Cost: R860 pp (all entrance fees incl, optional lunch excl.)

Option 4: *RIETVLEI NATURE RESERVE:* Get straight into a mini safari, with an informative drive through the small Rietvlei Nature Reserve. Game is readily seen along the roads ranging from cheetah to rhino. Bird viewing is also excellent, with a number of different habitats, ranging from grassland to open water and wetland.
R950 pp (entrance fees incl.)

A table has been booked at Africa Sky's Restaurant for 19h00, where you will join your guide and fellow travellers.

OVERNIGHT: Africa Sky Guest House
MEALS: Dinner
EXCLUDED: Flight to Johannesburg, Optional Day Tours

DAY 2: PANORAMA ROUTE

Enjoy breakfast before setting off for the Panorama Route, best known for its cultural heritage and dramatic landscapes. Visit viewpoints along the edge of the escarpment, including God's Window, Lisbon Falls and the Pinnacle. The afternoon is at leisure in Graskop, allowing you time to stroll through some of the many unique and interesting shops – including a shop specializing in silk from the African Mopane worm!

OVERNIGHT: Westlodge
MEALS: Breakfast
INCLUDED: Entry fees to viewpoints

DAY 3: KRUGER NATIONAL PARK

Our first stop is Bourke's Luck Potholes, a remarkable record of an erosion process that started thousands of years ago. Also view Blyde River Canyon, the third deepest and only green canyon in the world.

Enter the world-renowned Kruger National Park. This park offers a wildlife experience that ranks with the best in Africa and the world and is unrivalled in the diversity of its life forms.

OVERNIGHT: Kruger NP
MEALS: Breakfast
INCLUDED: Entry fee to Bourkes Luck Potholes, Kruger NP Daily conservation fee

DAY 4: KRUGER NATIONAL PARK

Continue exploring the vastness and diversity of Kruger Park with a morning and afternoon game drive.

OVERNIGHT: Kruger NP
INCLUDED: Kruger NP Daily conservation fee



DAY 5: SWAZILAND

Cross into Swaziland, where a visit to Swazi Candles is a highlight. Watch crafters in action moulding paraffin wax in different shapes and colours. The market also features a number of other arts, crafts, curio and gift shops.

Book into Reilly's Rock Hilltop Lodge at Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary. Swaziland's pioneer conservation area is situated in the 'Valley of Heavens' and surrounded by the Royal Botanical Gardens, featuring aloes, threatened and endangered antelope and abundant birdlife. In the evening, keep an eye open for resident bushbabies!

OVERNIGHT: Reilly's Rock Hilltop Lodge
MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner
INCLUDED: Mlilwane daily conservation fee
EXCLUDED: Visa if required (Swaziland)

DAY 6: PONGOLA

Enter South Africa again and arrive at Pongola Private Game Reserve, surrounded by bushveld savannah and the Lebombo Mountains.

In the afternoon enjoy a game cruise on Pongola dam (and view animals as they come down to the water's edge to drink).

OVERNIGHT: Mvubu Lodge
MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner
INCLUDED: Afternoon Game Cruise

DAY 7: PONGOLA

Choice of either an early morning game drive, or going Rhino Tracking (join your ranger on a game walk and track these prehistoric beasts on foot).

The rest of the day is at leisure. Pongola Game Reserve has a spa where you can pamper yourself, or you may want to try your hand at Tiger Fishing!

OVERNIGHT: Mvubu Lodge
MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner
INCLUDED: Morning Game Drive OR Rhino Tracking
EXCLUDED: SPA treatments, Tiger Fishing (subject to availability)

DAY 8: ST LUCIA

Enter the Greater St Lucia Wetland Park World Heritage Site and embark on a Hippo & Crocodile Estuary Cruise. This is a leisurely boat trip down the St Lucia Estuary to watch fish eagles, hippos, crocodiles and goliath herons against a backdrop of mangrove swamps.

OVERNIGHT: Avalone Guest House
MEALS: Breakfast
INCLUDED: Estuary cruise

DAY 9: ST LUCIA

St Lucia lies on the Elephant Coast of KwaZulu-Natal. "Elephants, rhino and lion, whales, turtles and marlin, warm Indian Ocean, pristine beaches, sub-tropical climate" are some of the terms associated with this area... Today you have the option to book some of the activities below.

Option 1 (morning): **WHALE WATCHING:** Early morning departure. Spend 2 hours at sea with a specialized Marine Mammal Guide and see humpback whales from as close as 50 metres! Seasonal: Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov only.
Cost: R1 150 pp

Option 2 (morning): **OCEAN ADVENTURE:** Early morning departure. 2 hours at sea. Experience the thrill of surf launching with the possibility of seeing turtles, sharks, dolphins, pelagic sea birds & flying fish.
Year round.
Cost: R640 pp



- Option 3 (full day): *DEEP SEA GAME FISHING:* Departs 06h00. Full day of game, bill and bottom fishing. Bait and tackle supplied. Year round.
Cost: R1 430 pp
- Option 4 (full day): *HLUHLUWE/IMFOLOZI GAME RESERVE:* Departs 05h00. Full day of game viewing the Big 5 in the oldest game reserve in Africa. Includes a full lunch, tea/coffee/juice & rusks at breakfast time, soft drinks through the day, entrance fees and a qualified guide. Year round.
Cost: R1320 pp
- Option 5 (full day): *CAPE VIDAL SNORKEL SAFARI:* Departs 08h00. A full day of guiding and driving within the Eastern Shores. Stop to snorkel and have lunch at one of the most beautiful beaches on the North Coast - view points en route - walking trails etc. Includes tea/coffee & rusks at breakfast time, soft drinks throughout the day, a full lunch, snorkel equipment, a qualified guide, gate entry fees. Year round.
Cost: R820 pp
- Option 6 (evening): *NIGHT DRIVE:* Departs 20h00. Spend 3 hours within the Eastern Shores to view nocturnal animals with a qualified guide. Year round.
Cost: R580 pp
- Option 7 (evening): *TURTLE TOUR:* Departs 21h00. Depart St Lucia and spend the next 6 hours over midnight to search for turtles that come out to nest. Includes a picnic dinner at Cape Vidal close to midnight and refreshments. Seasonal: Nov, Dec, Jan, Feb, Mar only.
Cost: R1 200 pp
- Option 8 (afternoon): *KHULA CULTURAL TOUR:* Spend 3 hours experiencing Zulu Culture and way of life in the Cultural Village outside St Lucia. Year round.
Cost: R500 pp
- Option 9 (afternoon): *HORSE RIDING:* Enjoy the beach on horseback, or take a Game Ride within the Eastern Shores to see local species of wildlife, accompanied by a qualified guide and rider. Year round.
Cost: 1 Hour: R400 pp 2 Hour: R800 pp
*Beach Ride subject to tides
- Option 10 (afternoon): *BIRD WATCHING WALKING TRAIL:* 3 Hours. Year round.
Cost: R350 pp

OVERNIGHT: Avalone Guest House
MEALS: Breakfast
EXCLUDED: Activities in Options 1 - 10

DAY 10: SHAKALAND

Head down the coast to visit a Zulu Cultural village - ShakaLand. Come to understand customs of the Zulu people, see how they made their weapons and taste traditional beer. After supper join the villagers for a bit of Zulu Dancing.

OVERNIGHT: ShakaLand
MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner
INCLUDED: Zulu Cultural Experience

DAY 11: DURBAN

After breakfast and a morning cultural program, bid the Zulus farewell and continue down the coast to Durban.

Book into Fairlight Beach House in Umdloti. Umdloti's beach is regarded as one of South Africa's best kept secrets and Fairlight holds an absolutely premium spot that overlooks the beach. Durban has one of the largest Indian populations outside of India, so dinner tonight is the perfect opportunity to sample a true Indian curry!

OVERNIGHT: Fairlight Beach House
MEALS: Breakfast

DAY 12: END

We bid you farewell and drop you off at Durban airport, with many memories to take home and share.



KRUGER TO DURBAN TOUR INCLUSIONS & EXCLUSIONS

PRICE:

Based on 2 people R49 000 pp
Based on 4 people R35 000 pp
Based on 6 people R31 500 pp
Based on 8 people R28 300 pp
Based on 10 people R27 500 pp

INCLUDED: The price will include all transport, accommodation, meals, entrance fees, activities and guides during the safaris, as indicated in the itinerary. Unless indicated otherwise, the tour will be done in an air-conditioned vehicle to ensure your every comfort.

EXCLUDED: Accommodation, flights and meals not specified in the itinerary. Drinks, curios, laundry, gratuities and other items of a personal nature. Travel insurance, required inoculations and malaria medications, visas (if required).

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