

## TRIUMPH OF THE AFRICAN SPIRIT - SOUTH AFRICA MISSIONARY TOUR

*For us, being South African is more than just belonging to a rich landscape beneath a bold flag. We are a colourful people unified by a love for our nation. Embracing our Heritage is to acknowledge the past to imagine a better future together!*




**This itinerary allows one to focus on the African “routes” and history of the people as well as on the humanitarian aspect where we interact with and along with the local communities on both cultural and religious level.**

*An incredibly enriching journey, supporting local enterprise & community development; preventing displacement and loss of heritage!*

Cape Town (4n) - Johannesburg (4n)



DAY	ITINERARY	
<p><b>Day 1</b></p> <p><i>Cape Town</i></p> <p><b>SOUTH AFRICA</b></p>	<p>Arrive Cape Town and transfer to the hotel  <b>Visa requirements: Visa to enter South Africa is not required (subject to change without prior notice)</b></p> <p>Transfer to the hotel  <b>WESTIN CAPE TOWN HOTEL</b> ★★★★★  <b>Accommodation for 3 nights</b></p> <p><i>Set in one of the most popular destinations in the world, at the gateway to the historic V&amp;A Waterfront, The Westin Cape Town is only minutes away from excellent shopping, vibrant city night life, historical monuments and museums, iconic Table Mountain, and the pristine beaches. The hotel offers unlimited complimentary shuttle transfers to the V&amp;A Waterfront. Guests are welcomed by warm, spacious rooms – finished in bursts of African colour and inspired by the burnished landscape of the Winelands. Most of the 483 rooms and suites offer floor to ceiling panoramic views of the city, Table Mountain, and the famed working harbour. Situated on the 19th floor of the hotel is the Heavenly Spa, providing guests an opportunity to rejuvenate body and mind while enjoying a spectacular birds-eye view over Cape Town and Table Bay. Enjoy breath taking views from the Sauna, Jacuzzi and infinity lap pool, rejuvenate in one of the 16 tranquil treatment rooms and experience complete relaxation on a heated waterbed, unique to the spa.</i></p>	 
<p><b>Day 2</b></p> <p><i>Cape Town</i></p> <p><b>SOUTH AFRICA</b></p>	<p><b>Full day ROBBERN ISLAND, CITY &amp; DISTRICT SIX TOUR</b> with an African English-speaking guide</p> <p><i>Robben Island, the unique symbol of “the triumph of the human spirit over adversity, suffering and injustice”, is visited every year by thousands of people eager to understand and honour the important aspects of South Africa’s history that the Island represents. The Tour guides inside the prison are former political prisoners. They are fully conversant and knowledgeable about the Island’s multi-layered 500-year-old history. The tour route includes the Maximum-Security Prison where thousands of South Africa’s freedom fighters were incarcerated for years. The tour culminates with a viewing of Nelson Mandela’s cell.</i></p> <p><i>Time at leisure for lunch (own account) at a bustling Waterfront restaurant, we explore the city of Cape Town. Your city tour will include a visit to the front of City Hall, where from the balcony on February 11, 1990, only hours after his release from prison, Nelson Mandela made his first public speech. We also visit the District Six museum which is a memorial to the forced movement of 60,000 inhabitants of all races in District Six during Apartheid era</i></p> <p><b>Early evening, transfer to THE GOLD restaurant for dinner</b></p> <p><i>Africa is home to hundreds of tribes, ethnic and social groups. This diversity is reflected in the cuisine at this restaurant.</i></p> <p><i>As you enjoy the cuisine, you also enjoy 3 unique performances during your dinner, starting with a praise singer who welcomes you to GOLD and introduces you to the singers, dancers, puppets and musicians. The second performance showcases the vibrant dancing and elaborations in Africa and the third performance is in honour of our royal African queens. The queen will scatter 24 carat gold dust on the guest to say thank you for visiting. This is a unique African restaurant in the heart of Cape Town. It is a set 14 course Cape Malay and African menu often referred to as a taste safari that will transport you from Table Mountain to Timbuktu.</i></p> <p><b>Dinner &amp; drumming included; drinks for client own account</b></p>	  



<p><b>Day 3</b></p> <p><i>Cape Town</i></p> <p><b>SOUTH AFRICA</b></p>	<p>This morning is filled with culture and heritage as we visit the <b>GUGA S'THEBE CULTURAL CENTRE</b> where communities come together to enjoy art, design and performance. When visiting the crafter studio, immerse in tradition with a fancy hairdo, browse their collections of locally sewn products, pottery, beading, and mosaic works.</p> <p>Return to the hotel and time at leisure to explore the vibrant streets of Cape Town and perhaps some market shopping</p> <p>Early evening, feel the pulse of the African beat of <b>CAPE JAZZ</b>, played by some of the most sought-after musicians defining the sound of the city.</p> <p>On this special music journey we visit local jazz musicians in their homes. The experience is intimate and deep, full of music, engagement and fun. It is a unique opportunity to meet local musicians away from club stages, and an excellent way to discover more about Cape Town and the lives of the people that live in it – through its music. Have dinner <b>WITH LOCAL ARTISTS</b>, in their home, listen to their stories and finish off with a night cap at a <b>VIBEY JAZZ VENUE FEATURING A STELLAR LINE-UP OF THE CITY'S MOST TALKED ABOUT MUSICIANS.</b></p>	 
<p><b>Day 4</b></p> <p><i>Cape Town</i></p> <p><b>SOUTH AFRICA</b></p>	<p>A wonderful day ahead where you are become a part of the solution <b>#LETSBUILDMASIBULELE</b></p> <p><i>Masibulele (an Isixhosa word that means 'thank you') was opened in 1995 by a lady named Thandi Xaba, who was the first principal. In 2015, she handed over this role to her daughter Patricia, who currently runs the school. Thandi chose this name, 'Masibulele' as she wanted to say thank you to the families who trusted her and sent their children to her Educare Centre.</i></p> <p><i>As an informal, make-shift structure in a high-risk fire zone area there is a high risk of fire damage and a life-threatening situation for the 8 teachers and 140 children at Masibulele.</i></p> <p><i>At this school there is a continuous sense of deep appreciation and gratitude towards each other and those who believe in them. These teachers are dedicated to the upliftment of their school and the education of our youth.</i></p> <p><i>Spend your morning interacting and playing with the children, learning about them and perhaps paint some walls.</i></p> <p>After a traditional lunch, we continue to <b>BO-KAAP CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL</b> experience</p> <p><i>The Bo-Kaap is one of Cape Town's most distinct and historically rich neighbourhoods. See, taste and explore the wonders that is this magnificent area and learn the local way of living and immerse yourself in the wonders that is the history of South Africa.</i></p> <p><i>Even with Signal Hill as a backdrop, Bo-Kaap, has a distinctive terrace of multi-coloured homes on steeply cobbled roads that sets this area apart. Back in 1760s this area was allocated to build "huurhuisjes" (rental houses), all of which were painted white. These homes were leased to slaves brought from Malaysia, Indonesia and the rest of Africa. When slavery ended and the residents were eventually allowed to buy their properties, they expressed their freedom by painting their houses in bright colours. The tour will end with a visit to <b>TABLE MOUNTAIN</b> (weather permitting)</i></p> <p>Evening at leisure</p>	  



<p><b>Day 5</b> <i>Johannesburg</i></p> <p><b>SOUTH AFRICA</b></p>	<p>Following breakfast, transfer to the airport Flight to Johannesburg – economy class <i>(2 hrs. in flight)</i>. <i>Luggage is limited to 44lbs per person for checked in baggage and 15lbs per person for carry on</i></p> <p>Arrive and transfer to the hotel</p> <p><b>SANDTON SUN HOTEL</b> ★★★★★</p> <p><b>Accommodation for 4 nights</b></p> <p>This 5-star hotel is located in the heart of Johannesburg’s economic hub, connected to <b>Sandton</b> Convention Centre. It offers <b>spacious rooms</b>, a variety of dining options and a state-of-the-art Business Suite.</p> <p><b>Sandton Sun</b> is also connected to the luxury <b>shopping centre, Sandton City</b>.</p> <p>It is located 40 minutes from O R Tambo International Airport Guests can choose from many dining options, including a bar, a restaurant, a show kitchen, and a deck. All menus are seasonal and ingredients are sourced from local farmers.</p> <p><b>Sandton Sun</b> features VIP check-in facilities. The Spa is open 7 days a week, offering a variety of relaxing treatments and massages. There is also a fully equipped 24-hour fitness centre.</p>	  
<p><b>Day 6</b> <i>Johannesburg</i></p> <p><b>SOUTH AFRICA</b></p>	<p>Breakfast at the hotel and depart on a <b>LESEDI CULTURAL VILLAGE</b> tour, including a delicious lunch</p> <p><i>Introduction to various cultural groups of South Africa and their traditions and way of life - the Northern Pedi, Zulu, Southern Sotho and Xhosa. This is the Rainbow Nation of today’s South Africa. Following a cultural dance show, a traditional African lunch - an experience of a lifetime</i></p>	
<p><b>Day 7</b> <i>Johannesburg</i></p> <p><b>SOUTH AFRICA</b></p>	<p>Breakfast &amp; depart on full day <b>LONG WALK TO FREEDOM</b> tour</p> <p><i>We head to the Apartheid Museum and spend a couple of hours exploring the museum, discovering the history of the Apartheid era. Following a delicious lunch, visit the Liliesleaf Heritage Site. Once known as Liliesleaf Farm this fascinating heritage site is closely linked to the Rivonia Treason Trial that led to Nelson Mandela’s incarceration. In the early 1960’s Liliesleaf was a sanctuary where most prominent leaders of South Africa’s struggle against Apartheid sought shelter, attended secret meetings and engaged in key debates on political and military policy and strategy.</i></p> <p><i>Many of these individuals, including Nelson Mandela, were discovered in the 1963 police raid on Liliesleaf Farm, and tried in the subsequent treason trail. You will learn in great detail what happened during those days and the ultimate arrest of Nelson Mandela.</i></p> <p>In the course of the tour, we visit a local arts and crafts market</p>	

<p><b>Day 8</b> <i>Johannesburg</i></p> <p><b>SOUTH AFRICA</b></p>	<p>This morning we depart to <b>SOWETO</b> township Should you wish, you get a chance to worship with the locals and take part in the 9am service at a local Church in Soweto <i>The churches had a big role in our history. During apartheid, the church provided shelter to activists and played a big a role in the 1976 student uprisings. The students fled Orlando stadium to this church to escape police's bullets. Bullet holes are still visible in the church ceiling and damaged marble stand provide tangible evidence of the violence during these police raids and the rush to evacuate the building. Locals refer to this church as "the people's church" or "the people's cathedral". The Truth and Reconciliation Commission hearings chaired by Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu also took place right here. In 1997, Nelson Mandela set 30 November as "Regina Mundi Day" to honour the church</i></p>	 
<p><b>Day 9</b> <i>Departure day</i></p>	<p>Breakfast at the hotel Time at leisure for additional shopping Transfer to the airport and connect to your outbound flight home</p>	

**BON VOYAGE!!**

**Notes:**

- This itinerary does not require any shots or specific medical precautions
- Luggage limited to *44lbs per person for checked in baggage and 15lbs per person for carry on*
- We recommend clients to purchase travel insurance.  
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**Visa requirements:**

US Citizens are not required to hold a visa to enter South Africa for intended stays under 90 days, provided guests hold a passport with validity of at-least 6 months after departing the country and have at-least 2 unstamped empty pages