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## WONDERS OF SOUTH AFRICA & SAFARI ADVENTURE I

APRIL 17-27, 2022

in the Finest Hotels & Safari Lodge

CAPE TOWN |  
FRANSCHHOEK /  
CAPE WINELANDS |  
SABI SABI BUSH LODGE /  
SAFARI | JOHANNESBURG



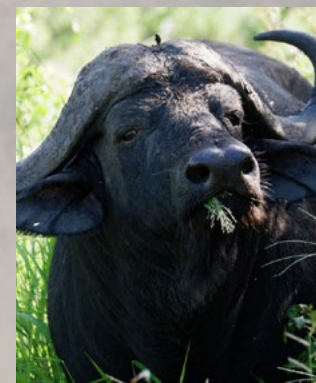
Few places on earth can lay claim to such superlative natural wonders as Africa. Located on the southernmost tip of the African continent, South Africa has several distinct ecosystems. Inland safari destination Kruger National Park is populated by lions, leopards, rhinos, elephants, and Cape buffalo. The Western Cape offers beaches, lush wine lands around Stellenbosch and Paarl, craggy cliffs at the Cape of Good Hope, forest and lagoons along the Garden Route, and, beneath flat-topped Table Mountain, the cityscape of Cape Town, one of the world's most beautiful cities. From almost any vantage point, you will see a mountain or an ocean, and very often both. Having the opportunity to experience such diverse parts of a country in one vacation makes Olivia's South Africa & Safari Adventure a trip of a lifetime.

### AWARDS & ACCOLADES

*\*Voted World's Best Tour Operator & Safari Outfitter—Travel & Leisure Magazine*

*\*Voted Trip of a Lifetime—Travel & Leisure Magazine*

*\*Voted Best Outfitters on Earth—National Geographic Adventure Magazine*





### ITINERARY SUMMARY

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## INCLUDED

- Accommodations for 11 days/10 nights in the finest hotels and safari lodge
- Airport group arrival transfer and departure transfers on days of program (April 17 and April 27) with “Meet and Greet” upon arrival in the Arrivals Hall at the Cape Town International Airport
- Private day-use rooms on the day of departure, April 27
- Most meals included—there are two dinners on own, one in Cape Town and one in the Winelands
- House wine, beer and some spirits, soft drinks and water are included during meals at Sabi Sabi Sands Bush Lodge
- Special enhancements:
  - Cheetah Outreach—Opportunity to meet and get photos of a Cheetah
  - Lunch in Bo-Kaap in a local home—learn to cook Malay food when preparing your lunch with a local family
  - Visit to Table Mountain
  - Dinner at the famous Gold Restaurant
  - Wine tasting at Lourensford Wine Estate, Margenster Estate and Allée Bleue Estate in the Winelands
  - Lunch at Tokara Restaurant in the Winelands
  - Visit to Soweto in Johannesburg—with a visit to the former home of Nelson Mandela and passing by the former home of Archbishop Tutu

### INCLUDED (CONT.)

- One day with different included options for morning tour in Cape Town (*participation may be limited and varies based on minimum and maximum requirements*)
  - Option to take a surf lesson
  - Option to visit Robben Island—notorious prison where Mandela was held
  - Option to visit *Seal Island*—home to 6,000 Cape Fur Seals
  - Option to visit AmericaShare's Red Hill Library and Community
- Safari briefing conducted by your Sabi Sabi Safari Director
- Two flights with all transfers:
  - Commercial flight from Cape Town to Skukuza, for Sabi Sabi Bush Lodge
  - Private charter flight from the Sabi Sabi to Johannesburg
- On safari, we will seat a maximum of 6 guests in open Toyota Land Cruisers
- Each vehicle is equipped with: ice chests with complementary beverages, safari library with wildlife books
- An authentic safari hat as a welcome gift
- An Olivia safari vest (be sure and let us know your size)
- All entrance fees to parks (fees subject to increase)

### INCLUDED (CONT.)

- Government taxes, VAT, and service charges for accommodations and included meals
- All portorage throughout
- All gratuities, including for the driver guides, Safari Ranger and Tracker, housekeeping, and Micato Travel Director
- Micato's concierge service in Cape Town and Micato staff at all other hotels
- Hospitality desk fully staffed throughout the day in Cape Town
- Olivia Land Director to accompany the group.

### NOT INCLUDED

International flights to Cape Town and from Johannesburg, alcoholic beverages (except at Sabi Sabi Bush Lodge during meals), beverages outside of meals, laundry, individual insurance, transfers for guests arriving prior to April 17 or departing after April 27, cost of obtaining necessary visas, other incidentals, and NDAs.





**A short walk from Cape Town International Convention Centre, The Table Bay Hotel provides a sophisticated accommodation.**

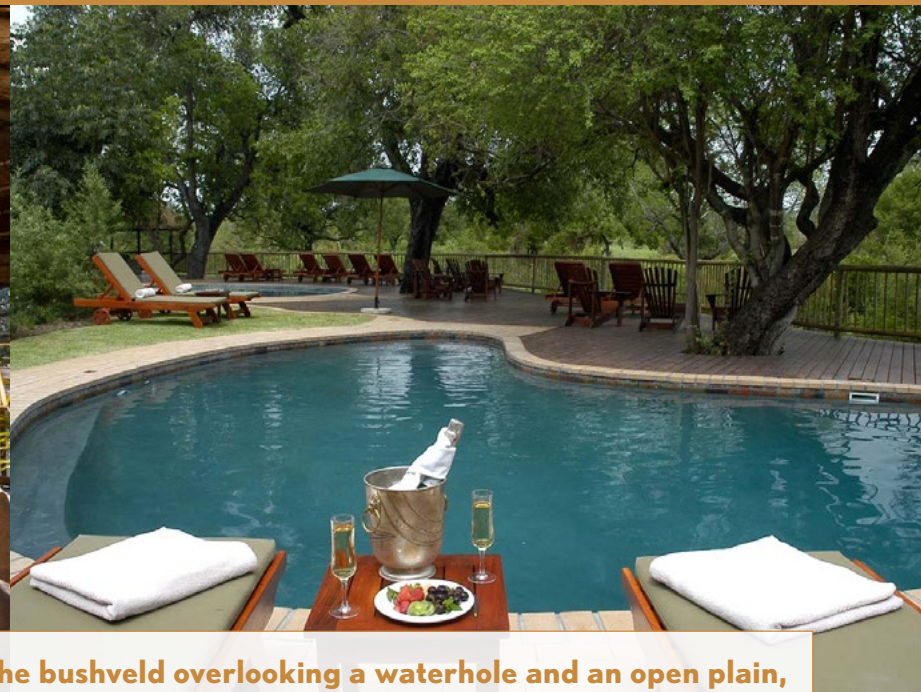
## TABLE BAY HOTEL

Set in an elegant-style building, it overlooks the Atlantic Ocean and Table Mountain. The hotel is 6 km from The Heart of Cape Town Museum, while Sea Point Pavilion Swimming is 3.9 km away. It takes 30 minutes by car to get to Cape Town city center. Rooms are equipped with satellite TV, climate control, pay television, a coffee machine, and coffee/tea making machines. The guestrooms look out on Table Mountain. En suite bathrooms have a roll-in shower, a spa bathtub, and a rain shower. Every morning at the restaurant guests may enjoy breakfast. Guests can order local meals at the luxurious restaurant. Refreshing drinks are offered at the terrace bar. On-site recreational facilities include steam baths and massage treatments. Various activities in the surroundings, including mountain biking, horse riding, and golf are at guests' disposal.



## LE FRANSCHHOEK HOTEL

Nestled in the heart of the Cape Winelands, Le Franschhoek Hotel and Spa sits quiet and unassuming—surrounded by magnificent mountain vistas. Ease into pure luxury, and be treated to elegant finishes and careful attention to detail. Bordered by leafy vineyards in the small town of Franschhoek, Le Franschhoek Hotel offers a remarkable selection of inspiring venues, delectable restaurants, and indulgent spa treatments, to present luxurious hotel accommodation at its best.



Deep in the bushveld overlooking a waterhole and an open plain, lies a lodge that pulses to the rhythm of Africa's heartbeat.

## SABI SABI BUSH LODGE

This is Bush Lodge, steeped in tradition, vibrant and warm, the Sabi Sabi of "Today". With a history spanning over 35 years, the lodge has earned a reputation of a "luxury home in the bush", service excellence, and effortless personal attention. The conventional safari style showcases a vibrant and eclectic mix of furnishings and décor garnered from all corners of the African continent. The lodge has 25 suites in total, with each suite featuring en-suite bathrooms and al-fresco, glass-fronted showers, with wonderful views of the bushveld.



## PROTEA HOTEL O.R. TAMBO AIRPORT

Experience the perfect blend of style, comfort and convenience at Protea Hotel O.R. Tambo Airport. This modern hotel, located in gorgeous Kempton Park, Johannesburg, is an ideal landing point for travelers as well as those seeking to explore the wonders of the city. The hotel also features a fully serviced business center. Enjoy upscale amenities including an outdoor pool, popular flight simulator and delicious on-site dining at The Warehouse, the aviation-themed international fusion restaurant. Relax in modern, comfortable rooms featuring soundproof windows, plush bedding and marble bathrooms.



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**SAFARI SPACE**  
**EARLY BIRD: \$13,999 PP**  
 REGULAR: \$ 17,999 PP

### TOUR SPACE – DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

TABLE BAY HOTEL  
 LE FRANSCHHOEK HOTEL

SABI SABI BUSH LODGE  
 SOUTHERN SUN O.R. TAMBO HOTEL

*Please note that due to a small number of spaces, we will not be offering single occupancy or supplement at this time.  
 If you have a friend to share a room with, you will be asked to reserve your room together at the time of booking.*

#### Sunday, April 17, 2022 | Cape Town

Welcome to Cape Town. Sheltered beneath the familiar shape of Table Mountain, Cape Town, known to be gay and lesbian friendly, is the birthplace of modern South Africa as well as a historic port with a vital role in overseas trade between Europe and the East. Perhaps the most picturesque city in all of Africa, Cape Town presides over a coastline of stunning grandeur, mountains rising above the seashore, and romantic, outlying vineyards whose proprietors have been practicing the art of winemaking since the 18<sup>th</sup> century.

Cape Town is home to the best of everything—museums, restaurants, hotels, and natural beauty. The recent addition of a convention center, film studios, theaters, and a number of new business establishments are evidence of the tremendous expansion the city has undergone in the last few years. And thankfully, such progress hasn't tarnished Cape Town's old-world appeal. It has the aura of a place where adventures begin. Your complimentary authentic safari hat will be waiting for you in your room.

This evening before your Welcome Dinner at the hotel, you will have the opportunity to learn about cheetahs before heading out on safari! Cheetah Outreach is an education and community-based program created to raise awareness of the plight of the cheetah and to campaign for its survival. A ranger will bring one of these beautiful animals to the hotel. You will learn, visit and can take photographs with one of these beautiful animals. Overnight at the Table Bay Hotel. (-/-/D)



### Monday, April 18, 2022 | Cape Town

After breakfast at your hotel, you will go off on an Orientation tour which is a great introduction to Cape Town that will take you to Table Mountain, a highlight of any visit to Cape Town. Ascend to the top of the mountain, weather permitting, by the state-of-the-art cable car and marvel at the breath-taking views over the city and its beaches. On a clear day it is even possible to see Robben Island where Nelson Mandela was imprisoned. Afterwards, we walk through the Bo-Kaap, formerly known as the Malay Quarter, with its 18<sup>th</sup>-century flat-roofed houses and mosques, the residential area of descendants of Malay slaves.

Lunch will be at the retro Grand Café, in the harbor overlooking the ocean, followed by a visit to the famous Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens, an aromatic oasis for the senses that was bequeathed to the nation by Cecil Rhodes on his death in 1902. Set on the eastern slopes of Table Mountain, the gardens are devoted almost exclusively to indigenous plants, and contain about 9,000 of southern Africa's 22,000 exotic species. The newly constructed Centenary Tree Canopy Walkway is an innovative steel and timber bridge that winds into and through the trees and bursts out above the canopy, giving remarkable panoramic vistas of the surrounding mountains, garden, and Cape Flats. Dinner is in the city is included. Overnight at the Table Bay Hotel. (B/L/D)



### Tuesday, April 19, 2022 | Cape Town

After breakfast, you will be off on tour to Cape Peninsula National Park. Cape Peninsula National Park is truly stunning—walking trails, low hills, and wide beaches—and a surprising variety of wildlife congregates here: eland, ostrich, bontebok and baboons, among others. Cape Point offers a viewing platform that looks out to False Bay and the Hottentots Holland Mountains. As you hear the stories of this fascinating place—ghosts from centuries of shipwrecks said to inhabit the shores—you marvel at its beauty as well.

Next, you'll enjoy lunch at a seaside restaurant, and then motor to nearby False Bay—home to almost 3,000 African penguins which congregate amidst the rounded rocks and fish-filled bay. It is one of the few sites where this fascinating bird (*Spheniscus demersus*) can be observed at close range, wandering freely in a protected natural environment. Dinner is on your own. Overnight at the Table Bay Hotel.



## Wednesday, April 20, 2022 | Cape Town

Today after breakfast, you will go off on one of the five included excursions below. Prior to this morning, you will be asked to choose one the five included excursions below that all include lunch. (*Minimum and maximum participation is required per activity.*) The afternoon is on your own to explore Cape Town.

**Surf Lesson at one of Cape Town's Famous Beaches:** Enjoy a morning at the beach for a surf lesson at one of the area's famed beaches. All gear will be included.

**Visit to Robbin Island:** Visit the notorious prison where Nelson Mandela was held for so many years via public ferry.

**The Red Hill Library and Community Centre:** Tucked away on the verdant seaward side of the glorious Old Cape Road, south of Cape Town, past the imposing Steenberg Mountains and lovely Simon's Town, on the way to the Cape of Good Hope, is the community of Red Hill, whose 1,500 makeshift households are blessed with wonderful views, bright community spirit, and not much in the way of community services. That place is AmericaShare's Red Hill Library and Community Centre, a joyful place for a town with a single part-time clinic, 37 per cent unemployment, and no school for its more than 2,000 school-age kids, who have to take long bus rides to state schools in the vicinity.

**Seal Island Excursion:** This morning you'll board a vessel for the short voyage to Duiker Island. Commonly called Seal Island by locals, the island is situated at the base of the Sentinel Peak just outside the mouth of the bay. This is year-round home to a colony of approximately 6000 Cape Fur seals. Enjoy close-up views of these curious creatures from the boat as they revel in their natural habitat. You are surrounded by breath-taking mountain and sea views as you cruise back to Hout Bay.

The afternoon is free to explore Cape Town on your own. Maybe get a little shopping in or visit the gay and lesbian district, De Waterkant! This evening say farewell to Cape Town at the famous Gold Restaurant. Start your evening with an interactive Djembe drumming session which will get you in tune with African rhythms and songs for the rest of the night. Thirty minutes of vibrant playing of the drums will ensure an energized start to your evening. As you enjoy the ambiance of the beautiful African décor, a set menu consisting of Cape Malay and African cuisine will be served by one of the beautifully adorned member of staff who will explain each dish and from which country the dish originates. Overnight at the Table Bay Hotel.

(B/L/D)



### Thursday, April 21, 2022 | Cape Winelands

This morning after breakfast, you'll depart for the Cape Winelands. This is a scenically enchanting region of dramatic mountains and fertile valleys, planted with vines stretching across rolling fields. Here farmers enjoy perfect conditions and produce of the best wines in the world. It is a wonderful combination of small historic towns, beautiful scenery and wine estates producing delicious wines and brandies.

You'll start with a visit to Somerset West, beneath the Hottentot's Holland Mountains. Here you will sample wines from the Lourensford Estate, before enjoying a walk through the Estate Gardens, art gallery and outdoor markets. You'll learn about this estate's history, which dates back over 300 years.

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You'll continue to wander through winelands, with a scenic drive through oak-lined drives and cobbled roads, for lunch at Tokara Restaurant. Chef Etienne Bonthuys produces innovative gourmet meals accompanied by the wonderful wines from the adjoining winery.

You'll have a final tasting, with stop at Allée Bleue Estate, for a wine sampling paired with local cheeses. Dinner and overnight is the Le Franschhoek Hotel. (B/L/D)

#### Friday, April 22, 2022 | Cape Winelands

After a leisurely breakfast, you'll depart for Stellenbosch to explore the beautiful space filled with whitewashed homesteads, avenues of oaks, and rolling green hills. Cape Dutch architecture gives a sense of South Africa's Dutch colonial history, as do the Village Museum's period houses and gardens. Start your walking exploration of the old town and discover Stellenbosch's colorful history while sampling local flavors through locally-produced artisan food and drinks. You'll enjoy indigenous tea, traditional snacks like biltong and droëwors, and fresh bread sticks from an artisan bakery.

After this interesting 'foodies walking' tour you'll have lunch in Stellenbosch. Before returning to the hotel enjoy one last wine tasting. Dinner is on own tonight. Overnight at the Le Franschhoek Hotel. (B/L/-)



#### Saturday, April 23, 2022 | Sabi Sabi Private Game Reserve / Sabi Sabi Bush Lodge

Following breakfast this morning, transfer to the Cape Town Airport for your flight to Skukuza Airport, the gateway to the private games reserves adjacent to Kruger National Park. Upon arrival transfer to the lodge. Lunch will be served upon arrival to Sabi Sabi Bush Lodge.

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Sabi Sabi is also home to a remarkable 350 species of birds. On a single summer's day, one can probably see more bird species than it is likely to see in a lifetime in your home country. In fact, almost 5% of the world's bird species have been recorded in this region of South Africa.

After lunch and getting settled into your luxury room, you'll go off on your first safari ride into the private game reserve for your first opportunity to start getting your eye tuned for wildlife sightings! When you return to the serenity of the jungle lodge you will have some time to get acquainted with your remote and beautiful surrounding before dinner. Dinner and overnight at the Sabi Sabi Bush Lodge. (B/L/D)



**Sunday-Monday, April 24-25, 2022**

### **Sabi Sabi Private Game Reserve / Sabi Sabi Bush Lodge**

Your next two full days on safari will revolve around spectacular game viewing drives in open Toyota Land Cruisers. A typical day on safari starts with an early wake-up call, where you enjoy tea, coffee and snacks before setting off on the morning game drive with your ranger and tracker. You will then return to the lodge for breakfast, and the option of a guided walks in the reserve.

The reserves support an astonishing variety of wildlife including the “Big Five”—lion, leopard, elephant, rhinoceros and Cape buffalo. Grazers such as buffalo, blue wildebeest, Burchell’s zebra and warthog favor open areas, while impala are most common at the edge of bush clumps. Other ungulates to watch out for are giraffe, hippo, bushbuck, grey duiker and kudu. Experience remarkably close encounters with breeding herds of elephant and buffalo. See black and white rhino, giraffe and a host of antelope, along with the great cats and occasionally, wild dog.

After lunch, you will have time to enjoy the tranquility of your surroundings. Later in the afternoon, depart on another game drive, keeping a keen eye out for the elusive and shy leopard or watching the exhilarating speed of the lion preying his dinner. Dinner and overnights are at the Sabi Sabi Bush Lodge. (B/L/D)

### Tuesday, April 26, 2022 | Johannesburg

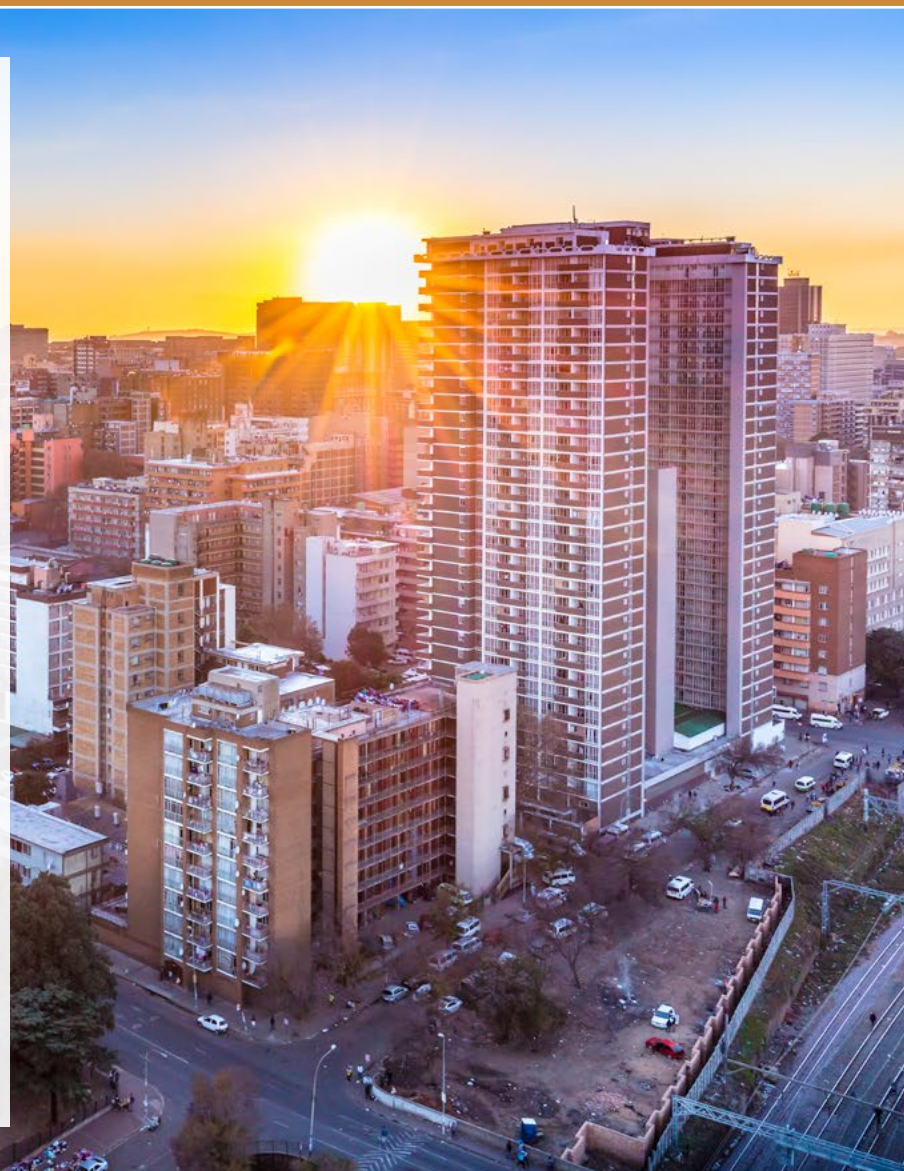
Today, after breakfast, you will be transferred to the Sabi Sabi airstrip for your chartered flight to Johannesburg. Upon arrival in Johannesburg, you'll enjoy lunch and a tour of Soweto, a formerly notorious township from the days of Apartheid. Here, you'll learn all about the history of this area while visiting the former house of Nelson Mandela and passing by the former house of Archbishop Tutu, the Hector Pieterse memorial, and Regina Mundi Church. You will be taken on a journey through learning about the bravery of the locals who struggled for freedom.

You'll then be taken to your hotel where you will check in and get refreshed before going off for your farewell dinner with all your new friends at Moyo Melrose Arch. Moyo Melrose Arch is a destination for a unique African dining experience. Inspired by the traditions and values of our ancestors, Moyo is a celebration of, and commitment to, the beauty of Africa, and the industry of her people. What better way to end your wonderful trip in South Africa. Overnight at the Southern Sun O.R. Tambo Hotel. (B,L,D)

### Wednesday, April 27, 2022 | Johannesburg / Home

As most flights leave in the evening, you have a day room at the hotel to either relax before your flight home or you can explore Johannesburg by booking an optional tour through the hotel concierge.

Based on your flight time, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight home. (B/-/-)



## CATEGORY

### SAFARI SPACE

TOUR SPACE—DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

## PRICING

**EARLY BIRD: \$13,999**

REGULAR: \$17,999

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### PRICING DOES NOT INCLUDE NDAs (TAXES, FEES, & GRATUITIES): \$499 PP

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## VACATION STRETCHERS

We are offering an optional 1-night pre-night hotel for those who wish to come in a day early and rest before the big adventure. A 1-night pre-package with an airport meet and greet transfer with breakfast included. There is also a 3-night post-package to Victoria Falls and Chobe National Park. Please note, if you book a pre-hotel night on your own, and not through Olivia directly, the airport transfer and on-site concierge desk is not available until program start date. Visit the website for more information.

The background of the page is a faded photograph of a savanna landscape. In the foreground, a zebra is walking from left to right. Behind it, a giraffe is standing, looking towards the left. The background is filled with green trees and bushes under a bright sky.

# faq

## ACTIVITY LEVEL

This trip requires mobility without the use of a wheelchair or scooter, as guests must be able to walk to the safari vehicles, which can be up to ¼ mile away, walk on trails, climb a few stairs to their accommodations, climb into a safari vehicle, and be able to handle a few bumpy rides on rocky terrain. Scooters and wheelchairs cannot be accommodated on safari. Please contact us if you have any questions.

## FLIGHTS

In order to take advantage of the Olivia transfer from the Cape International Airport (CPT) to the Table Bay Hotel, your flight should be scheduled to arrive in Cape Town on April 17.

Your departing flight should be scheduled to depart out of Johannesburg O.R. Tambo International Airport (JNB) at any time on April 27.

## AIRFARE

You will need to fly into the **Cape Town International Airport (CPT)** and out of the **Johannesburg O.R. Tambo International Airport (JNB)**.

Please check our airline discounts page for the latest discounts:  
<https://olivia.com/airfare-specials>



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