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Hiking South Africa

17 days, Cape Town to Johannesburg

Trip code DSHS

What's included

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VALIDITY: Valid for all trips departing March 1st, 2019 - June 1st, 2020

Itinerary



NOTE: Accommodations vary per departure and are subject to change until tour start date; they are not final and should be used as examples only. Travellers may login to the G Adventures App to view accommodations specific to their departure.

Day 1

Cape Town

Arrive at any time.

Get the most out of your time in Cape Town by pre-booking the South African Wine Tour and Tasting extra. If you do, we recommend booking accommodation for an extra night pre-tour as this activity has an early start time. Please note, due to the timings of this activity, there is a possibility you may miss the welcome meeting on day 1 of your tour - in this case, your CEO will leave you a message detailing what time and where you should meet the next morning.

If you book any optional activities on day 1 please contact your sales agent to see if booking a pre-night is necessary to participate in the activity.



Today's Activities

ACTIVITY

Your opportunity to meet your CEO and fellow travellers, and learn more about your tour. Opt to join the group for a local meal afterwards. Don't forget to see the notice in the lobby (or ask reception) for the official time and place to meet up with the group.



Optional Activities - Day 1

South African Wine Tour and Tasting

Cape Town

5h-7h

Take a day trip into the wine lands of South Africa with an expert guide. Visit iconic estates and lesser-visited farms only known to locals in the Stellenbosch area. Indulge in tastings and pairings with cheeses, chocolate, and local delicacies such as Biltong (salted meat). Walk through vineyards and cellars for an all encompassing look at wine production, and learn about the history of this region. Gesundheit!

PLEASE NOTE that if this activity is listed on the first or last day of the itinerary you will need to book a pre-night or post-night with a sales representative as the wine tour begins at 8 am.

Cape Point & Boulders Beach Tour

Cape Town

1650ZAR

Travel to Cape Point to enjoy a stunning vista and visit the penguins at Boulders Beach (optional). Visit the entrance to the Cape of Good Hope, a rocky headland along the coast of the Cape peninsula. Stop for lunch in Kalkbaya and enjoy the scenery. Cape Point National Park is filled with varied wildlife. Many different kinds of birdlife, from sea birds to giant raptors wheeling overhead, can be easily seen. In the summer months (November-February) keep an eye out for southern right whales out to sea.

Day 2

Cape Town

Enjoy an included hike to the top of Table Mountain, taking in the views of the city bowl, peninsula, and Robben Island. In the evening have dinner at the Waterfront, or one of the great restaurants in the city.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Table Mountain Hike

Table Mountain

2h-4h

4km

Hike up one of the world's most recognizable mountains, Table Mountain. Rise early to meet your guide for a transfer to the start of the hike. Wind your way up the mountain, stopping regularly to take in the surrounding views of the city, Atlantic coast, and Table Bay. Take note of the changing vegetation on the mountain - a highlight of this trek. Once reaching the summit there are stunning panoramic views. Make your way down to the base of the mountain via the cable way.

Ascent: 700m (2,297 ft)

Day 3

Cape Town/Oudtshoorn

Travel into the Klein Karoo on the famous Route 62. Opt to enjoy a wine tasting along the way.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Cape Town - Oudtshoorn

8h

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Day 4

Oudtshoorn/Stormsrivier

Before leaving Oudtshoorn, opt to explore the Cango Caves or visit an ostrich farm. Cross over the Outeniqua Mountains into the Garden Route. Stop at the Bloukrans Bridge for those brave enough to try the bungee jump, and arrive in the forest village of Stormsrivier for the night.



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Oudtshoorn - Stormsrivier

6h

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.



Optional Activities - Day 4

Cango Caves Tour

Oudtshoorn

150ZAR

Tour the fascinating Cango Caves with their subterranean dripstone caverns and towering formations. They're beautiful and otherworldly.

Bloukrans Bungee Jump

Tsitsikamma

1400ZAR

Adrenaline junkies will be happy with a stop at the world's highest commercial bungee site. Opt to take the plunge or simply observe from the comfort solid ground. Shoot some amazing photos of those brave enough to dive into the abyss over the Bloukrans River.

Day 5

Tsitsikamma National Park

Set out on an included hike along the famous Otter Trail, inside the Tsitsikamma National Park. This beautiful coastal trail passes the picturesque suspension bridges, and visits breathtaking waterfalls.

In the afternoon opt to explore the forest canopy, with a tree top trekking tour.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Stormsrivier – Tsitsikamma National Park

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Tsitsikamma National Park Visit

Tsitsikamma National Park

We include the entry fee to Tsitsikamma National Park – now it's your turn to get out and explore it. Be sure to check out the beautiful hiking trails and suspension bridge.

Hiking the Otter Trail

Stormsrivier

3h

Lace up and hike the first 6km of the scenic Otter Trail. Follow the shoreline until you come to the waterfall, and return along the same path. Opt to jump in to the pool at the base of the falls for a swim.

Free Time

Stormsrivier

Get out and explore the area.



Optional Activities - Day 5

Kayaking

Stormsrivier

500ZAR

2h-3h

Opt to rent a kayak or take a guided tour to explore deeper into the gorge. Bottomless pools, deep caves, and quiet forests await.

Mountain Biking

Stormsrivier

2h-3h

Follow the 22km long trail through the Storms River pass. Enjoy great views of the indigenous forest and gorge along the way. Bring your bathing suit for an opportunity to swim at the Old Storms River Bridge.

Tree Canopy Tour

Tsitsikamma

660ZAR

Venture into the magnificent Tsitsikamma indigenous rainforest. Take a ride along canopies connected by giant Outeniqua Yellowwood trees that are up to 700 years old.

Tsitsikamma Woodcutters Journey

Tsitsikamma

375ZAR

2h-3h

Enjoy a tractor-trailer ride down the river pass and enjoy the beauty of the indigenous forest.

Day 6

Addo Elephant National Park

Enjoy a wildlife safari drive in our vehicle. Be on the watch for elephants and other wildlife. Spend the night camping under the stars.

Continue on to Addo Elephant National Park, a unique wildlife area. Although famous for the Addo elephants, this park is home to a wide variety of wildlife. Embark on an afternoon wildlife safari drive (in our vehicle) in search of the resident elephants, rhinos, lions, buffalo, and even leopards. Listen to the wild sounds of Africa while enjoying a sundowner and sitting around the campfire at night.



Meals included

Breakfast | Dinner



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Stormsrivier - Addo Elephant National Park

5h

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Addo Elephant National Park Wildlife Safari Drive

Addo Elephant National Park

4h

Embark on a wildlife safari drive in search of resident elephants, rhinos, lions, buffalo, and even leopards. While this national park may be most famous for elephants, the rest of its wildlife is fantastic, too.

Day 7

Addo/Graaff-Reinet

Travel into the vast semi-desert of the Great Karoo and overnight in the town of Graaff-Reinet, just outside the Camdeboo National Park. Opt to hike in the Valley of Desolation for beautiful views over the surrounding area, or explore this quaint Karoo town.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Addo - Graaff-Reinet

2h-3h

160km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.



Optional Activities - Day 7

Valley of Desolation Visit

Graaff-Reinet - Graaff Reinet

470-1500ZAR

18m-1h

Take a drive to the top of the valley to experience breathtaking panoramic views of towering rock pillars crafted over 200 million years of volcanic activity. Learn about the history of the terrain from a local expert. Enjoy a drink as you watch the sunset turn the pillars a brilliant shade of red. Keep an eye out for Mountain Zebra and resident Black Eagles as you drive through Camdeboo National Park.

Day 8

Graaff-Reinet/Lesotho

Cross the border into the highest independent state in the world.



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Graaff-Reinet - Malealea

8h

552km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Border Crossing (South Africa - Lesotho)

Wepener - Mafeteng

Ready for a little more ink in your passport? Grab your bags and get ready to check another country off your bucket list.

Day 9

Lesotho

Enjoy free time in the morning for horseback riding, or mountain biking, through this beautiful mountainous country. In the afternoon hike with a local guide to discover hidden waterfalls, before watching the sun set over "The Kingdom in the Sky'.



Today's Activities

Free Time

Malealea

Get out and explore this beautiful land-locked country.

Botsoela Waterfalls Hike

Malealea

3h-4h

One of the most popular hikes in Malealea, the route to Botsoela Falls takes you through varied scenery, and across small ravines, before arriving at the cascading waters. Along the way your guide will tell you all about the local culture, and history of the area.



Optional Activities - Day 9

Mountain Biking

Malealea

250-400ZAR

Rent a mountain bike and go deeper into the beautiful surroundings.

Pony Trekking

Malealea

300-900ZAR

1h-2h

Considered one of the best ways to experience the beauty of the area, and the transport of choice for most Basotho. Sit back (but not too far) and enjoy the sites. No previous riding experience necessary.

Day 10

Lesotho/Drakensberg

Return to South Africa and set up camp in the foothills of the mountain.



Meals included

Dinner



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Malealea - Drakensville

8h

450km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Border Crossing (Lesotho - South Africa)

Maputsoe - Ficksburg

Ready for a little more ink in your passport? Grab your bags and get ready to check another country off your bucket list.

Day 11

Drakensberg

Set off on an included hike along Tugela Gorge in Royal Natal NP.

Today's hike is a 1 hr drive from our camp.



Meals included

Breakfast | Dinner



Today's Activities

Tugela Gorge Hike

Royal Natal National Park

4h-6h

23km

Set off on a 23km (14.3 mi) hike along Tugela Gorge in Royal Natal National Park. It is touted by some as the best one-day hike in South Africa for its spectacular scenery of mountains, forest, a river, and a waterfall. Meandering along the Tugela River for 11km (6.8 mi), the path then crosses the river along some boulders and eventually leads to Tugela Falls, debatably the second highest waterfall in the world.

Day 12

Drakensberg/Saint Lucia

Travel through KwaZulu-Natal to Saint Lucia on the coast of Zululand. Opt for a sunset cruise on the Saint Lucia estuary.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Drakensville - Saint Lucia

7h

480km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.



Optional Activities - Day 12

St Lucia Wetlands Nature and Birding Boat Cruise

Saint Lucia Estuary

220ZAR

Hop on a boat and slowly cruise through the St Lucia Estuary while keeping a lookout for crocodiles, hippos, and birds.

Day 13

Saint Lucia

Enjoy a free day to explore. Opt to take a wildlife safari drive in Hluluwe - iMfolozi Park, go horseback riding on the beach, or join the CEO for a walk through town and out to the beach, where you can spot hippos and crocodiles in the estuary.

Take an optional boat trip on the estuary or go horseback riding on the beach. Opt to visit Hluluwe - iMfolozi Park, which is a safe haven for both the white and black rhino, as well as lions, buffalo, elephants, and leopards.

Today's Activities

Free Time

Saint Lucia

Get out and explore the beautiful nature of the area.

Optional Activities - Day 13

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Hluluwe - iMfolozi Park Wildlife Safari Drive

Umfolozi Game Reserve

880-1018ZAR

7h-10h

Hop into an open safari vehicle and go on a wildlife safari drive with a local expert. Be on the lookout for the Big Five and more. Half a day or full day options.

Zulu Cultural Evening

Cape Saint Lucia

440ZAR

Spend a fun filled night getting immersed in the Zulu culture with a Zulu dance performance, Zulu beer tasting, and a traditional South African braai (BBQ).

Cape Vidal Excursion

Cape Saint Lucia

715-825ZAR

3h-5h

This excursion introduces you to the beauty of this area in multiple ways during your choice of a half or full-day tour. Take a wilderness safari drive through UNESCO site Simangaliso Wetland Park, swim or snorkel in the waters of the Indian Ocean, walk along the shores of Cape Vidal.

Day 14

Saint Lucia/Eswatini

Cross another border into Eswatini and head for the Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary.

The mountainous Kingdom of Eswatini, lead by King Mswati III, is one of three monarchies in Africa. Explore Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary, which is situated in the Eswatini's "Valley of Heaven", the Ezulwini Valley.

It might not always be possible to stay inside the Sanctuary due to availability.

Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Saint Lucia - Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary

7h

350km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Border Crossing (South Africa - Eswatini)

Oshoek - Ngwenya

Ready for a little more ink in your passport? Grab your bags and get ready to check another country off your bucket list.

Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary Visit

Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary - Lobamba

Visit Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary, a conservation area in the Ezulwini Valley. The sanctuary is home to mountains, plains, and everything in between. It also has a plethora of birds and other animals, including warthogs, crocodiles, hippos, and more.

Optional Activities - Day 14

Birding Guided or Self-guided

Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary

225ZAR

Set out independently or join a guide to spot aquatic, grassland, montane & forest species, bee-eater colonies, and heronry.

Guided Mountain Bike Tour/Rental

Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary

150-280ZAR

1h-4h

Take the option to explore Mlilwane and its wildlife by mountain bike along a series of trails and roads. Enjoy a gentle hourly ride along the plains with a bike rental, or opt for a 3-4 hour scenic guided mountain bike tour.

Sunset Wildlife Safari Drive

Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary

345ZAR

Hop into an open air safari vehicle to explore Mlilwane's nature-rich plains at sunrise or sunset.

Day 15

Eswatini/Greater Kruger Area

Continue exploring Mlilwane Sanctuary in the morning, joining your CEO on a walk to see some of the resident wildlife, then cross back into South Africa, and head to our safari camp just outside the famous Kruger National Park.



Meals included

Dinner



Today's Activities

Guided Walk - Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary

Lobamba

2h-3h

Head out on foot to search for some of the species that call Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary home during this guided walk. Get a better feel for the landscape, animals, and birds of Eswatini.

Private Vehicle

Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary - Kruger National Park

7h

250km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Border Crossing (Eswatini - South Africa)

Matsamo - Jeppe's Reef

Ready for a little more ink in your passport? Grab your bags and get ready to cross the border.

Day 16

Kruger National Park

Enjoy a full-day wildlife safari drive in the Kruger Park (in our vehicle). Experience a traditional dinner and local dancing in the evening.

Opt to upgrade to an open 4x4 vehicle for the wildlife safari drive.



Meals included

Breakfast | Dinner



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Hazyview

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Kruger Wildlife Safari Drive

Kruger National Park

6h

Jump into our touring vehicle and get ready to spot elephants, hippos, giraffes, zebras, lions, and many other species in one of Africa's greatest wildlife areas.

Traditional Dinner and Local Dancing

Hazyview

Enjoy a cultural evening with the local community. Dive into local fare with a delicious traditional dinner, then watch a local dance performance.



Optional Activities - Day 16

Full Day Kruger National Park Open Vehicle Wildlife Safari Drive

Kruger National Park

6h-7h

Hop in a 4x4 safari vehicle and get yourself one step closer to the surrounding nature. Be ready to spot elephants, giraffes, hippos, lions, zebras, and many other species in this impressive South African NP.

Transfer back to Johannesburg, South Africa's largest city. The tour ends upon arrival.

The tour ends upon arrival in Johannesburg. In order to avoid any unnecessary issues with timing, please book ongoing travel not earlier than 9pm.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Hazyview - Johannesburg

7h

480km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Departure Day

Not ready to leave? Your CEO can help with any onward travel arrangements you require.

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Is there a travel disclaimer for my itinerary I should review before booking this trip?

While it is our intention to adhere to the route described below, there is a certain amount of flexibility built into the itinerary and on occasion it may be necessary, or desirable to make alterations. The itinerary is brief, as we never know exactly where our journey will take us. Due to our style of travel and the regions we visit, travel can be unpredictable. The Trip Details document is a general guide to the tour and region and any mention of specific destinations or wildlife is by no means a guarantee that they will be visited or encountered. Aboard expedition trips visits to research stations depend on final permission.

Additionally, any travel times listed are approximations only and subject to vary due to local circumstances.

What important notes should I be aware of before the trip?

1. Travelling can be difficult, with long drives and poor road conditions at times. Despite this, most clients feel that the diversity of the African landscape, countries, culture and wildlife are all well worth the experience. We use a comfortable and safe customized safari truck for the long drives.

2. It may be required to show a Yellow Fever certificate if you are traveling to South Africa from a Yellow Fever endemic country. SOUTH Africa is to enforce new rules requiring proof of Yellow Fever vaccination for all travellers - even in airport transit - who have been in Zambia or other countries where the disease is endemic.

3. Your trip includes an element of participation camping. Your CEOs will do all the majority of the meal preparation, but we do ask the clients to help with the setting up of camp, some meal preparation, and washing up. It is all part of your adventure and when everyone puts in a little effort the trip will run smoothly and the team spirit is part of the fun! All camping equipment (with the exception of your sleeping bag and pillow) is supplied. We supply dome tents and assembly/disassembly takes only 5 minutes. All tents have built-in insect nets. Mattresses are also provided, which are approximately 4cm thick, warm and comfortable.

4. Sleeping bags cannot be rented on any of our Africa overland or safari tours

5. VISAS. Please read the Visa section very carefully. Visas are your own responsibility. Always double check with the embassies what each countries requirement are.

6. Water-wise tips when visiting Cape Town:

Cape Town is currently experiencing one of the worst droughts it has seen in over 100 years, and while we want you to have the best time possible while there, here are some tips to help reduce your water usage:

- Bring a reusable water bottle, that you can fill with Cape Town's tasty tap water.
- Reuse your towels in the hotel, for at least two days, before getting new ones.
- Keep your laundry until you have a full load to do, rather than just doing a handful of items.
- Turn off the tap when brushing your teeth, or shaving.
- Keep your showers to two minutes or less, and don't use the bath.
- Use hand sanitizer, instead of washing hands.

7. DRONES

The use of drones in national parks in Southern Africa is prohibited.

What is the group leader like?

On this tour, you will be accompanied by two Chief Experience Officers (CEOs). The Chief Experience Officers (CEOs) will be the group manager and leader, cook and driver. They will provide information on the places where we are travelling, offer suggestions for things to do and see and introduce you to our local friends. He/she will take care of the small things so you can concentrate on enjoying your adventure.

All of our CEOs in southern Africa are experienced group leaders, with a broad knowledge base of the region's history, cultures, and wildlife. Most of our leaders in the region are from South Africa, though it may be possible that you'll have a leader from another country in the southern African region.

All of our drivers are experienced in the routes travelled, and highly skilled in dealing with different terrains. Our cooks will organize and lead the meal preparation, and have experience in cooking a variety of local and international dishes for large groups.

We also use local guides for some included activities where we think more specific knowledge will add to the enjoyment of the places we are visiting.

How large will the group be?

Max 18, avg 14.

What meals are included in this trip?

9 breakfasts, 5 dinners

What are the meals like on this trip?

Eating is a big part of travelling. Travelling with G Adventures you experience the vast array of wonderful food that is available in southern Africa. On this tour, we provide only a few meals for you and your group members, so as to give you the maximum flexibility in deciding where, what and with whom to eat. It also gives you more budgeting flexibility in your choices. Our groups tend to eat together to enable you to taste a larger variety of dishes and enjoy each other's company. There is no obligation to do this though - while in the larger centres, your group leader will be able to suggest favourite restaurants during your trip.

All included meals will be prepared from fresh local produce. The majority of the shopping for foodstuffs will be done before the trip departs, and fresh goods, such as meats, fruits, vegetables, and dairy products, will be bought en route during the trip from supermarkets, local shops and markets.

Your CEO will organize the meal preparation and lead the way here, but will ask for participation from you and your group members in the meal preparation and dish washing duties.

For the included meals, vegetarian meal requests and other dietary requirements need to be specified prior to arrival.

What are the modes of transportation on my trip?

15-seat private vehicle, hiking, walking.

What transportation will we take on this trip?

For this tour we will use a 15-seat touring vehicle with a maximum of 14 people. With comfortable seats and sliding windows, this style of transportation is a great way to travel through the region and get a good view the surroundings. When necessary, a trailer will be used for your luggage, and the tour gear. Please note these vehicles are not air-conditioned.

This is not a physically demanding journey; however, travelling can be difficult, with long drives and poor road conditions at times. Please take note of the travel times and distances in the above itinerary, and consider that this is often on poor quality, bumpy roads. Despite this, most clients feel that the diversity of the African landscape, culture and wildlife are all well worth the experience.

Is there an extra cost for travelling solo?

We believe solo travellers should not have to pay more to travel so our group trips are designed for shared accommodation and do not involve a single supplement. Single travellers joining group trips are paired in twin or multi-share accommodation with someone of the same sex for the duration of the trip. Some of our Independent trips are designed differently and solo travellers on these itineraries must pay the single trip price.

Where will we stay during the trip?

Simple hotels/guesthouses (13 nts), participation camping (3 nts).

Will I get my own room?

Please note that if you have booked the "My Own Room/Tent" option for this tour, you will receive your own single room/tent for all night stops.

What kind of accommodation can I expect on this trip?

Camping in Africa is truly an adventure. You will be able to get off the beaten track to get a first-hand experience of the beautiful wilderness and nature. While camping, we stay at designated campsites in national parks and outside towns. Campsite facilities in southern Africa are generally good, but can be basic in certain places. There are generally small restaurants and/or bars, washing facilities and occasionally telephones available.

The camps have flush toilets, and showers at some camps are outdoors, having simple reed enclosures for privacy. Additionally, warm water is available at most sites, but it is not guaranteed to always be warm when you take your shower; the warm water may be used up others who also use the camp. We usually set-up camp within close proximity to the toilet facilities, though occasionally to reach them you may have to walk a short distance.

All camping equipment (with the exception of your sleeping bag and pillow) is supplied, including camp mattresses, which are warm and comfortable. We supply dome tents and assembly/disassembly takes only 5 minutes. They are good quality, durable, industry-standard 2-person safari canvas tents. Please note that most adults will not be able to fully stand up inside the tents, though most travellers find these more than adequate, as they have a base area of approximately 4 square meters. These tents are regularly treated with a waterproofing agent, but under certain rainy conditions, the tent fabric may become saturated to the point where seepage or leakage may occur. All tents have built-in mesh insect netting on the windows and doors.

Temperatures can get quite cold at night during winter months, especially at higher altitudes, so bring warm clothes and a warm sleeping bag.

We travel with our own portable camp chairs with a comfortable back-rest, and we utilize our own cooking equipment to provide the group good quality camp meals. In camping within the national parks and conservation areas, some camp sites are enclosed for keeping the resident wildlife out. Other camps are open to the natural environment – care must be taken, especially at night, when a torch/flashlight is recommended when walking around the camp area.

Despite the challenge that a few days “roughing it” may pose to some, the experience of being that close to nature, camping under the African stars, and seeing incredible wildlife at your tent door-step is not just gratifying but ultimately an experience of a lifetime.

What is the joining hotel?

For details of your joining hotel please refer to your tour voucher, G Account, the G Adventures App or contact your travel agent.

What are the joining instructions?

Cape Town International Airport is about 22 km from downtown. We recommend two ways to get into the city.

1) Taxi: to take a taxi, leave the international terminal, cross the first road and you will see the taxi stand. Official taxis have the kilometre rate on the door.

2) Shuttle: if you wish to take a shuttle to the city centre, when arriving at the international terminal, turn immediately left and walk straight ahead and you'll see the shuttle services desk. Cost is approximately 80ZAR.

If you have paid in advance for an arrival transfer, a G Adventures representative will be at the airport to meet you. If for any reason you are not met at the airport, please call our local support line. If you are unable to make contact for whatever reason, please make your way to the joining point hotel via taxi.

Please note that Day 1 is an arrival day and no activities have been planned for that day other than your welcome meeting in the evening, so you can arrive at any time.

A G Adventures Representative will organize a short meeting soon after arrival, during which you will meet other tour participants and receive information about general and specific aspects of the trip. A welcome note will be left for you in the hotel so you have all the necessary information regarding the meeting time. If you arrive late, s/he will leave you a message detailing what time and where you should meet the next morning.

What happens if I experience problems when arriving?

We don't expect any problems, and nor should you, but if for any reason you are unable to commence your trip as scheduled, please refer to the emergency contact details provided in this dossier and contact us as soon as possible. If you have a pre-booked transfer, and you have not made contact with our representative within 30 minutes of clearing customs and immigration, we recommend that you make your own way to the Starting Point hotel, following the Joining Instructions. Please apply to your travel agent on your return for a refund of the transfer cost if this occurs.

Who should I contact in case of an emergency?

Should you need to contact us during a situation of dire need, it is best to first call either the G Adventures Local Representative (if one is listed below) or our G Adventures Local Office. If for any reason you do not receive an immediate answer, please leave a detailed message and contact information, so they may return your call and assist you as soon as possible.

AIRPORT TRANSFER

If you have purchased an arrival through G Adventures or if an arrival transfer is included in the cost of your tour, please note that:

Your arrival transfer has been arranged based on flight information provided to us. If you are advised of a flight schedule change within 48 hours of your scheduled arrival time, we will do our best to rearrange your arrival transfer however we cannot guarantee this. If your arrival transfer does not arrive within 30 minutes after you have exited the arrivals area please call the local emergency contact numbers listed below for more information.

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

G Adventures Local Representative (South Africa)

From outside South Africa: +27 713823286

From within South Africa: 071 3823286

If you are unable for any reason to contact our local office, please call the numbers listed below which will connect you directly with our Sales team who will happily assist you. Hours of operation by region can be found [here](#).

Toll-free, North America only: 1 888 800 4100

Calls from UK: 0344 272 0000

Calls from Germany: 0800 365 1000

Calls from Australia: 1 300 796 618

Calls from New Zealand: 0800 333 307

Outside North America, Australia, New Zealand, Germany and the UK: +1 416 260 0999

Are there any additional packing suggestions I should consider?

You will be on the move a lot, so our advice is to pack as lightly as possible. Your baggage should be clearly labeled and restricted to one soft compact suitcase (please avoid a hard cover suitcase), or sports bag, maximum 15kg, plus a daypack. Luggage limits on airlines are strictly enforced and space on vehicles is limited. Porters are not often available, so be prepared to carry your own bags.

For our camping style tours you will need to provide your own sleeping bag and pillow. We provide the tent and the sleeping pads.

Please note that the seasons in Africa is quite extreme. Winters (especially South Africa) can be really cold and summers will be really hot.

If you travel during winter months please ensure that you bring warm clothing and a suitable sleeping bag.

Please be advised that if you plan to bring a drone with you, the use of drones in national parks in Southern Africa is prohibited.

What should be on my packing list?

Additional Items:

- Sleeping bag (required)

Cold Weather:

- Long-sleeved shirts or sweater
- Warm gloves
- Warm layers
- Scarf
- Warm hat
- Warm waterproof jacket

Documents:

- Flight info (required) (Printouts of e-tickets may be required at the border)
- Insurance info (required) (With photocopies)
- Vouchers and pre-departure information (required)
- Passport (required) (With photocopies)
- Visas or vaccination certificates (With photocopies)

Essentials:

- Toiletries (required) (Shampoo, bodywash, soap, etc.)
- Binoculars (optional)
- Camera (With extra memory cards and batteries)
- Cash, credit and debit cards
- Day pack (Used for daily excursions or short overnights)
- Ear plugs
- First-aid kit (should contain lip balm with sunscreen, sunscreen, whistle, Aspirin, Ibuprofen, bandaids/plasters, tape, anti-histamines, antibacterial gel/wipes, antiseptic cream, Imodium or similar tablets for mild cases of diarrhea, rehydration powder, water purification tablets or drops, insect repellent, sewing kit, extra prescription drugs you may be taking)
- Flashlight/torch (Headlamps are ideal)
- Fleece top/sweater
- Footwear
- Hat
- Headphones (Noise-cancelling recommended)
- Locks for bags
- Long pants/jeans
- Moneybelt
- Outlet adapter
- Personal entertainment (Reading and writing materials, cards, music player, etc.)
- Reusable water bottle
- Shirts/t-shirts
- Sleepwear
- Small travel towel
- Sunglasses
- Swimwear
- Watch and alarm clock
- Waterproof backpack cover
- Windproof rain jacket

Warm Weather:

- Sandals/flip-flops
- Shorts/skirts (Longer shorts/skirts are recommended)
- Sturdy water shoes/sandals
- Sun hat/bandana
- Swimwear Note: Seasons in Southern Africa are quite extreme. Winters can be really cold and summers will be really hot. If you travel during winter months (May to October) please ensure that you bring warm clothing and a suitable sleeping bag.

When can I do my laundry on this trip?

Laundry availability is dependent on the location you're in or the amount of time spent in that location.

We suggest packing enough clothing in case laundry is not available and/or packing biodegradable laundry soap so you can wash things if needed.

Laundry is available on this trip in:

Stormsrivier (Day 4-5)

Malealea (Day 8-9)

St Lucia (Day 12-13)

What are the visas and entry requirements for my trip?

All countries require a valid passport (with a minimum 6 months validity). Contact your local embassy or consulate for the most up-to-date visa requirements, or see your travel agent. It is your own responsibility to have the correct travel documentation. Visa requirements for your trip will vary depending on where you are from and where you are going. We keep the following information up to date as far as possible, but rules do change and sometimes without warning. While we provide the following information in good faith, it is vital that you check the information yourself and understand that you are fully responsible for your own visa requirements.

Visa information specific to your destination and nationality can be found in our Important Pre-Departure Information page [here](#)

We have been experiencing a lot of problems with people that need visas for Namibia and Malawi. Namibian and Malawian visas is not available at the border, so please make very sure if you do need a visa before arrival.

The information provided here is to be used as a guide only. Please consult with the relevant embassy or your travel agency before you travel. We cannot take any responsibility whatsoever for the use of this information.

South Africa

<http://www.dha.gov.za/index.php/immigration-services/exempt-countries>

<http://www.dha.gov.za/index.php/immigration-services/apply-for-a-south-african-visa>

<http://www.southafrica.info/travel/documents/visas.htm>

Visas are not issued at South African ports of entry, and airline officials are obliged to insist on visas before allowing passengers to board. If you arrive without a visa, immigration officials are obliged to put you onto a flight back to your home country.

If you are a passport holder of the following countries/areas you do not need a visa for stays of LESS THAN 90 days: African Union / Unity Laissez Passes, Andorra, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Botswana, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Czech Republic, Denmark, Ecuador, Finland, Japan, Liechtenstein, Luxemburg, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Paraguay, Portugal, San Marino, Singapore, Spain, St Vincent & the Grenadines, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, Uruguay, Venezuela, United States of America, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica

If you are a passport holder of the following countries/areas you do not need a visa for stays of LESS THAN 30 days: Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Belize, Benin, Bolivia, Hong Kong, Hungary, Jordan, Lesotho, Malaysia Cape Verde, Costa Rica, Cyprus, Gabon, Guyana, Peru, Poland, Seychelles, Slovak Republic, South Korea, Swaziland, Thailand, Turkey, Zambia

Visa costs

The visa fee is different for every nationality, so please check this with your agent or closest embassy.

****Please note for those traveling with minors: The International Air Transport Association (IATA), on 29 April, 2019, updated the Travel Information Manual Automatic (TIMATIC), used by airport ground staff to determine whether a passenger can be carried, with regard to the requirements for children travelling to South Africa.**

According to the updated text, IATA is advising that members' check-in staff to no longer request birth certificates from minors who have visas, or who are exempted from visas, if travelling with their parents with the same surname.

Swaziland

<http://www.gov.sz/>

<http://www.welcometoswaziland.com/twpub/pag.cgi?m=howto>

Most nationalities can obtain their visas at the border, but please check with your agent and/or closest embassy.

A valid passport is required from everyone who enters the Kingdom of Swaziland .

For nationals of the countries listed below, an entry visa is required:

Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, American Samoa, Angola, Antarctica, Armenia, Aruba, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belorussia, Benin, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burma, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, Cote D'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of Congo, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Fiji, French Guiana, French Polynesia, Gabon, Georgia, Guadeloupe, Guam, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea – Bissau, Haiti, Honduras, Iceland, Indonesia, India, Iran, Iraq, Ivory Coast, Jordan, Iribati, Kuwait, Krygyzstan, Laisser, Laos, Lebanon, Liberia, Libya, Liechtenstein, Macao, Macedonia, Mali, Marshall Islands, Martinique, Mauritania, Mexico, Micronesia, Moldova, Mongolia, Morocco, Myanmar, Nepal, Netherlands Antilles, New Caledonia, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, North Korea, Oman, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Phillipines, Pitcairn, Poland, Puerto Rico, Republic of Korea, Reunion, Rwanda, Romania, Saint Helena, Saint Kitts, Saint Pierre, Saint Vincent Grenadines and Miquelon, Sao Tome and Principe, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Syria, Tajikistan, Thailand, Togo, Turkemenistan, United Arab Emirates, Uzbekistan, Vatican City, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Virgin Islands, Western Sahara, Yemen.

List of country immigrants requiring visas to enter the kingdom of Swaziland

Afghanistan ,Albania ,Algeria , American samoa, Ntactica, Armenia , Aruba , Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belorussia, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Bulgaria, Central african republic, Chad, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, Cote d'ivoire, Costa rica, Cuba, Djibouti, Dominican republic, Drc, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial guinea, Eritrea, Fiji, French Guiana, French Polynesia, Gabon, Georgia, Guadeloupe, Guam, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-bissau, Haiti, Honduras, Hong kong, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Ivory coast, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Macedonia, Mali, Marshall islands, Martinique, Mauritania, Mayotte, Mexico, Micronesia, Moldova, Mongolia, Morocco, Myanmar, Nepal, Netherlands Antilles, New Caledonia, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, North korea, Oman, Pakistan, Palau, Panama , Paraguay, Peoples republic of china, Peru, Phillipines, Puerto rico, Qatar, Romania, Rwanda, Saint kitts and nevis, Saint vincent grenadines. Sao tome and principe, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Angola, Somalia, South korea, Sri lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Syria, Tajikistan, Thailand, Togo, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Venezuela, Viet nam, Virgin islands, Western sahara, Yemen, Ethiopia

Visa costs

Price different for nationalities. Please enquire with your local agent and/or embassy.

This information is accurate at the time of writing, and please contact your local embassy or consulate for the most up-to-date visa requirements and costs, regarding these, and the other countries visited, or see your travel agent. It is your responsibility to have the correct travel documentation.

What should I consider when planning my personal expenses and discretionary spending for this itinerary?

Every traveller is different and therefore spending money requirements will vary. Some travellers may drink more than others while other travellers like to purchase more souvenirs than most. Please consider your own spending habits when it comes to allowing for drinks, shopping and tipping. Please also remember the following specific recommendations when planning your trip.

What should I know about currency, credit cards, and exchanging money while on this tour?

The currency in South Africa is the South African Rand (ZAR).

The currency in Swaziland is the Lilangeni (SZL). The plural of Lilangeni is the Emalangeni. It is also advisable to use Rand as it is widely accepted in Swaziland.

(E1 = 1 Rand), but take note that Coins are not accepted.

Each of the countries visited on this tour has their own currency, and all can be obtained locally by changing foreign currency or by using ATMs (where available) which will disperse local currency. Your CEO will inform you where you can change money throughout the tour and approximately how much money you will need for each country.

The easiest foreign currency to exchange for locally for any of the local currencies is the \$US; however the British Pound and Euro may also be exchanged as well. Please note that due to past problems with forgery, \$US notes that are older than year 2006 are not accepted in Africa.

Large note (\$US 50, \$US 100 etc) can be difficult to change in some places, but will gain you the best exchange rate.

If you plan to rely on cash, please bring foreign currency (Euro, Pound, USD) with you, as it is often expensive to buy these currencies locally. And in more rural areas, it is often not likely.

If you plan to buy your visas at borders, you will need to bring \$USD cash to pay for these visas. Please note you cannot use the local currency or any other currency to buy these visas- they must be purchased in USD.

Please do not bring Travellers' cheques to Africa. They are difficult if not impossible to exchange in many places.

Visa/Plus system cards are the most widely accepted debit cards. It is harder to find machines Mastercard/Cirrus cards. We highly recommend that if you hold a Mastercard, you obtain a Visa card prior to departure and travel with both. This is also useful should something unforeseen happen to one of your cards during your travels.

While there are many ATMs in the major centres, there are no guarantees that your credit or debit cards will actually work in Africa. Check with your bank.

Credit cards can be used in major cities and towns ONLY but please do not rely on them as a method of payment because they are generally not widely accepted. You should be aware that to purchase products or services on a credit card a fee of 5%-10% usually applies. The majority of our optional activities can also be paid by credit card. Your CEO will advise on these.

Please note that in many areas there may be occasional power-outages, where there will be no electricity for hours at a time. In addition, ATMs outside of larger centers often run out of cash or can be out of order unexpectedly. These factors could affect your ability to access money from ATMs. As such, please do not rely on credit or debit cards as your only source of money.

A combination of foreign currency and debit/credit cards for cash advances is best. Always take more rather than less, as you don't want to spoil the trip by constantly feeling short of funds.

As currency exchange rates can fluctuate often we ask that you refer to the following website for daily exchange rates: www.xe.com.

How much emergency money should I bring on this trip?

Please also make sure you have access to at least an additional USD \$200 (or equivalent) as an 'emergency' fund, to be used when circumstances outside our control (ex. a natural disaster) require a change to our planned route. This is a rare occurrence!

Should I be tipping on my trip?

Tipping is an expected, though not compulsory, component of your tour program. The gesture serves as an expression of appreciation for exceptional service, and amounts given are up to your discretion.

Tipping is one of the most direct ways that you can have a positive economic impact within the African community. Although it may not be customary for you, it is an important source of income for those in the tourism industry. Giving a tip should be seen as a formal 'thank you', and the action should in no way be awkward.

The best method of tipping someone that has served the whole group is to plan in advance, and not rush when it comes to saying goodbye. A suggestion would be for each group member to contribute anonymously by putting their tip into an envelope. This often works the best and the group should gather to present the gift to the recipient(s), offering their thanks and showing their appreciation. This method brings the action out into the open, allowing for a friendly and appreciative interaction between the group and the recipient(s).

You may use the following as a guideline, all given in a per person format:

CEO: \$5-8 USD (per day, per person)

Local guides: \$2-3 USD (per day)

Safari Guide/Driver: \$2-3 USD (per day)

Restaurant Staff: 10-15% of cost of bill

What activities are optional on this trip?

Cape Town

- South African Wine Tour and Tasting
- Cape Point & Boulders Beach Tour (1650ZAR per person)

Oudtshoorn

- Cango Caves Tour (150ZAR per person)

Tsitsikamma

- Bloukrans Bungee Jump (1400ZAR per person)
- Tree Canopy Tour (660ZAR per person)
- Tsitsikamma Woodcutters Journey (375ZAR per person)

Stormsrivier

- Kayaking (500ZAR per person)
- Mountain Biking

Graaff-Reinet

- Valley of Desolation Visit (470-1500ZAR per person)

Malealea

- Mountain Biking (250-400ZAR per person)
- Pony Trekking (300-900ZAR per person)

Saint Lucia Estuary

- St Lucia Wetlands Nature and Birding Boat Cruise (220ZAR per person)

Umfolozi Game Reserve

- Hluhluwe - iMfolozi Park Wildlife Safari Drive (880-1018ZAR per person)

Cape Saint Lucia

- Zulu Cultural Evening (440ZAR per person)
- Cape Vidal Excursion (715-825ZAR per person)

Milwane Wildlife Sanctuary

- Birding Guided or Self-guided (225ZAR per person)
- Guided Mountain Bike Tour/ Rental (150-280ZAR per person)
- Sunset Wildlife Safari Drive (345ZAR per person)

Kruger National Park

- Full Day Kruger National Park Open Vehicle Wildlife Safari Drive

Are there any health considerations I should know before travelling?

We recommend you contact your family physician, or your local travel clinic for the most up-to-date health information at least one month before departure. Travellers should also carry a basic first-aid kit and hand sanitizers/antibacterial wipes on their travels. Medical facilities are basic throughout these countries. For your own safety, we strongly recommend that you advise your tour leader of any medical condition that may affect you while travelling with the group. Your tour leader will be able to inform you of local health advisories (e.g. drinking water quality). Please ensure you have all the inoculations recommended by your doctor.

Yellow Fever Certificate Note: (Updated: May 2017)

It is compulsory to show a valid Yellow Fever Certificate if you are travelling to the following G Adventures-visited countries from a Yellow Fever endemic country:

- Botswana
- Ethiopia
- Kenya
- Madagascar
- Malawi
- Mozambique
- Namibia
- Rwanda
- South Africa
- Swaziland
- Uganda
- Zambia
- Zimbabwe

For some of these countries, proof of Yellow Fever vaccination is also required for passengers who have travelled more than 12 hours through the airport of an endemic country. If other countries not endemic to Yellow Fever have been visited after visiting an endemic country, then a Yellow Fever certificate may still be required on entry. Please check country-specific regulations before your departure.

Malaria

Malaria is a mosquito-borne disease that is present in some regions in Africa. Risk of malaria can increase during periods of heavy rain, during the rainy seasons, and in densely populated areas of Southern & East Africa. To prevent malaria, we recommend speaking to your doctor about taking preventative medication (prophylaxis), combined with regular use of insect repellent spray/cream. Please check updated travel health advisories specific to malaria before your departure.

What do I need to know to about safety and security on my trip?

Many national governments provide a regularly updated advice service on safety issues involved with international travel. We recommend that you check your government's advice for their latest travel information before departure. We strongly recommend the use of a neck wallet or money belt while travelling, for the safe keeping of your passport, air tickets, travellers' cheques, cash and other valuable items. Leave your valuable jewellery at home - you won't need it while travelling. Many of the hotels we use have safety deposit boxes, which is the most secure way of storing your valuables. A lock is recommended for securing your luggage. When travelling on a group trip, please note that your group leader has the authority to amend or cancel any part of the trip itinerary if it deemed necessary, due to safety concerns. Your Chief Experience Officer (CEO) will accompany you on all included activities. During your trip you will have some free time to pursue your own interests, relax and take it easy and explore at your leisure. While your CEO will assist you with options available in a given location, please note that any optional activities you undertake are not part of your itinerary, and we offer no representations about the safety of the activity or the standard of the operators running them. Please use your own good judgement when selecting an activity in your free time. Although the cities visited on tour are generally safe during the day, there can be risks to wandering throughout any major city at night. It is our recommendation to stay in small groups and to take taxis to and from restaurants, or during night time excursions.

Water based activities have an element of danger and excitement built into them. We recommend only participating in water based activities when accompanied by a guide(s). We make every reasonable effort to ensure the fun and adventurous element of any water based activities (in countries with varying degrees of operating standards), have a balanced approach to safety. It is our policy not to allow our CEOs to make arrangements on your behalf for water based activities that are not accompanied by guide(s).

Swimming, including snorkeling, is always at your own risk. [Read more about travel safety](#) for ways to further enhance your personal safety while traveling.

What are the trip specific safety considerations?

Travelers must exercise common sense and caution at all times. Tourists should stick to set travel arrangements and avoid unknown areas. Always keep a photocopy of your passport, airline tickets and a record of your travelers' checks and credit card numbers separate from where you keep the originals. South Africa, like any many countries, has its problems but your guide knows the country intimately and will endeavour to show you the best parts while looking after you. Be aware, but not paranoid, and you will have a great trip. We also recommend that you wear minimal jewelry and that you keep valuable items safely stored.

Please note that the use of drones in national parks in Southern Africa is prohibited.

What rules should I know before joining this trip?

Illegal drugs will not be tolerated on any trips. Possessing or using drugs not only contravenes the laws of the land but also puts the rest of the group at risk. Smoking marijuana and opium is a part of local culture in some parts of the world but is not acceptable for our travellers. Our philosophy of travel is one of respect towards everyone we encounter and in particular the local people who make the world the special place it is. The exploitation of people in the sex trade is completely contrary to this philosophy. Our CEOs have the right to expel any member of the group if drugs are found in their possession or if they utilize the services of paid sex workers, in any capacity.

Is travel insurance required for my trip?

Travel insurance is compulsory in order to participate on any of our trips. When travelling on a group trip, you will not be permitted to join the group until evidence of travel insurance has been sighted by your leader, who will take note of your insurance details. When selecting a travel insurance policy we require that at a minimum you are covered for medical expenses including emergency evacuation and repatriation. A minimum coverage of USD200,000 is required. We strongly recommend that the policy also covers personal liability, cancellation, curtailment and loss of luggage and personal effects. Some tours include adventure activities that require extra coverage (e.g. crampon use); please review your itinerary and make sure that you are covered for all included activities. If you have credit card insurance we require proof of purchase of the trip (a receipt of credit card statement) with a credit card in your name. Contact your bank for details of their participating insurer, the level of coverage and emergency contact telephone number.

What is Planeterra?

Planeterra International Foundation is a non-profit organization committed to turning travel into impact by helping local communities earn an income from tourism. Planeterra connects underserved local communities to the benefits of tourism by developing and supporting small community-owned businesses. These businesses support Indigenous people, empower women, grant youth access to employment opportunities, and protect the environment. Planeterra also works to ensure these businesses have a thriving customer base by integrating their projects into G Adventures' itineraries globally.

G Adventures is Planeterra's largest corporate donor, covering all operating costs, so 100% of your donation will bring opportunity to people in need.

G Adventures Dollar-a-day Program - Make Every Day Count - Turn your travel into impact with [Planeterra Foundation](#).

Did you know? Most communities around the world do not benefit from tourism. Give back to the places you visit on your travels by creating opportunities for local people to earn an income, and protect the environment.

Make every day count by donating \$1/day for the length of your trip, and join us in empowering the communities you will visit when you travel. 100% of your donation goes directly to Planeterra projects.

How can I share feedback about my trip experience?

Earn 5% off your next G Adventures Tour (up to \$100 USD)*

After your travels, we want to hear from you! Your feedback information is so important to us and to thank you for your time, we are pleased to offer a 5% discount (up to a maximum of \$100 USD) off your next G Adventures holiday. All you need to do is submit the form within 4 weeks of the completion of your tour, and you'll be able to join the thousands of travellers who have taken 2, 3, 4 or even 10 or more tours with us!

Discount cannot be combined with other offers or applied to 'Independent' style trips. Maximum discount value is \$100 USD (or equivalent currency). Valid for new bookings only. G Adventures reserves the right to withdraw or modify this offer at any time without notice. Limited to one discount per person.

Does G Adventures have an email newsletter I can subscribe to?

Our adventure travel e-newsletter is full of travel news, trip information, interesting stories and contests. To avoid missing out on special offers and updates from G Adventures, subscribe at www.gadventures.com/newsletters/

Stay current on how our company invests in our global community through our foundation – Planeterra. Sign up for [Planeterra's monthly news](#) to learn more about how to give back and support the people and places we love to visit.

How old must I be to join this trip?

You must be 18 to travel unaccompanied on a G Adventures tour. For minors travelling with a guardian over 21 years old, the minimum age is 12.

Are international flights included in this trip?

No, international flights are generally not included in the price of your tour.

However, on some combo tours travelling between two different countries, international flights are included as part of the itinerary and price of the tour. Please speak to your GCO or booking agent for further details.

In addition, check-in times and baggage allowances/restrictions vary by airline and can change at any time. For the most up-to-date information for your flight, please contact your airline. We recommend checking in online in advance to avoid potential delays at the airport.

What should LGBTQ+ travellers know about safety and travel considerations on this trip?

The safety and well-being of all of our travelers is a priority at G Adventures and that includes our travelers who identify as part of the LGBTQ+ community. We recognize that there are specific concerns and questions you may have about your adventure in terms of safety and security. We encourage you to visit our [LGBTQ+ page](#) for useful resources to ensure you feel safe and comfortable throughout the duration of your trip. The Equaldex tool linked on this page can be of particular help when deciding where you may want to visit next.

Dossier Disclaimer

The information in this trip details document has been compiled with care and is provided in good faith. However it is subject to change, and does not form part of the contract between the client and the operator. The itinerary featured is correct at time of printing. It may differ slightly to the one in the brochure. Occasionally our itineraries change as we make improvements that stem from past travellers, comments and our own research. Sometimes it can be a small change like adding an extra meal along the itinerary. Sometimes the change may result in us altering the tour for the coming year. Ultimately, our goal is to provide you with the most rewarding experience. Please note that our brochure is usually released in November each year. If you have booked from the previous brochure you may find there have been some changes to the itinerary.

VERY IMPORTANT: Please ensure that you print a final copy of your Trip Details to review a couple of days prior to travel, in case there have been changes that affect your plans.

Itinerary Disclaimer

While it is our intention to adhere to the route described below, there is a certain amount of flexibility built into the itinerary and on occasion it may be necessary, or desirable to make alterations. The itinerary is brief, as we never know exactly where our journey will take us. Due to our style of travel and the regions we visit, travel can be unpredictable. The Trip Details document is a general guide to the tour and region and any mention of specific destinations or wildlife is by no means a guarantee that they will be visited or encountered. Aboard expedition trips visits to research stations depend on final permission.

Additionally, any travel times listed are approximations only and subject to vary due to local circumstances.