



## 4-day Garden Route

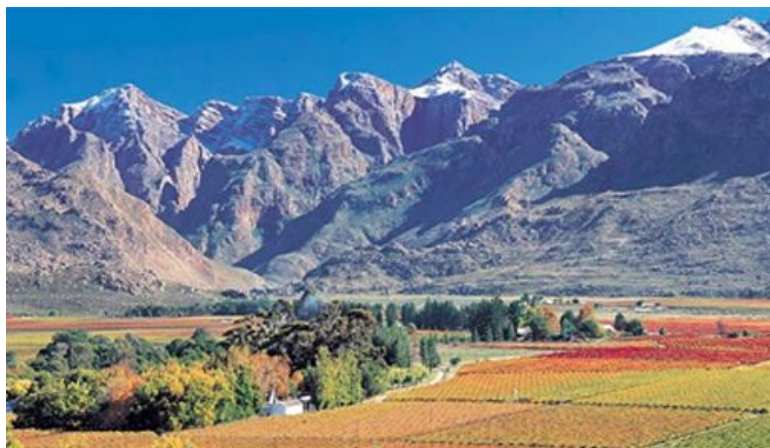
### ***Itinerary:***

#### **Day 1 - CAPE TOWN to OUDTSHOORN**

Depart Cape Town at about 08h15 and head northwards over the spectacular Du Toit's Kloof Mountain pass en route to Worcester. From Worcester we continue on the R62 (Route 62 is the longest wine route in the world) through Montagu. We stop for a wine tasting and delicious lunch (included). In the afternoon we travel through the Little Karoo. Changing scenery from lush farmland to semi-desert areas make this a day full of surprises.

A warm welcome awaits us from the staff of the 3\* Riempe Estate Hotel in Oudtshoorn (or similar), where we arrive in the late afternoon for our overnight stop. Oudtshoorn is the ostrich capital of the world. Here ostriches are found in great numbers and the region produces the best feathers, leather products and ostrich meat world wide. But the world's biggest bird is just one of the many attractions in this area of interesting contrasts. This small town is the commercial hub of the greater Klein Karoo region (encompassing Prince Albert, De Rust and Calitzdorp) and is situated in a beautiful valley between the Outeniqua- and Swartberg Mountains.

We enjoy dinner at the hotel this evening (included).



**Accommodation:** *Protea Hotel Riempie Estate (3\*) - or similar*  
**Room:** *Standard*  
**Arrival:** *Day 1*  
**Departure:** *Day 2*  
**Included:** *Accommodation, dinner x 1, breakfast x 1*



*Combining country charm with Protea Hotel's superior standards, this hotel is situated in a farm-like setting with well-appointed thatched rondavels and is only 20 minutes away from the Cango Caves. Enjoy the best Oudtshoorn has to offer from the comfort of Protea Hotel Riempie Estate—a cozy country atmosphere in a tranquil setting. The hotel is close to the exotic crocodile and ostrich farms the town is famous for and a short drive from the town's central business district. It's a hotel that complements your travel style. The hotel offers an excellent restaurant that serves the best in country fare and guests can keep their heart rates up with golf, tennis, squash, gym and lawn bowling amenities nearby. All standard rooms have en-suite bathrooms and air conditioning.*

## **Day 2 - OUDTSHOORN to KNYSNA**

Awake the next day to the freshness of the Karoo air. After a good breakfast (included) we visit the world famous Cango Caves where we take a guided tour lasting around an hour (included).

From the Caves we travel to the Cango Wildlife Ranch (Crocodile and Cheetah farm) to learn more about frightening reptiles and other beautiful animals. Hear the awesome stories from the guide as we tour the farm with a chance to view cheetah, tiger, lion, puma, and jaguar. (Entrance fees included).

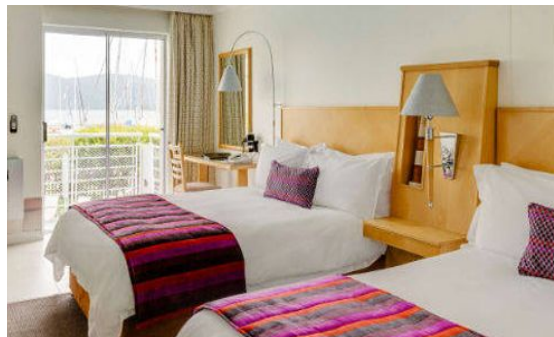
A short drive to the other end of Oudtshoorn brings us to Ostrich country and lunch at the Highgate Ostrich farm (included). Today's lunch - yes, you guessed it, includes ostrich delicacies. We'll listen to the restaurant staff as they serenade us during lunch. After all this, the tour of the farm begins (included). We head down to the fields, where you will also learn more about the breeding habits and of the bygone days, when Oudtshoorn was in the midsts of the 1920's ostrich feather boom.

The late afternoon takes us over the Outeniqua Mountains to Knysna. Here for the first time one can understand why this area is known as the Garden Route. As you drive over the summit of the pass, lush green vegetation awaits you. We'll take a drive to the spectacular Knysna Heads where the ocean surges through the two sea cliffs to enter the magnificent lagoon.

Get your camera ready! Our hotel tonight is the 4\* Knysna Quays Hotel in Knysna (or similar).

We enjoy dinner at the hotel this evening (included).

**Accommodation:**        **Protea Hotel Knysna Quays (4\*) - or similar**  
**Room:**                    **Standard**  
**Arrival:**                 **Day 2**  
**Departure:**             **Day 3**  
**Included:**                **Accommodation & breakfast**



*The Protea Hotel Knysna Quays is within walking distance from the town centre and has a variety of activities and attractions for everyone. So whether you are after some sea and sand, dining out or outdoor activities, Knysna has it all. During your visit to Knysna it is known that you can't leave without a boat cruise on the spectacular Knysna lagoon. Enjoy a relaxing cruise with a refreshing cocktail whilst watching the sunset and enjoying all the beauty this town has to offer.*

*All rooms are equipped with en-suite bathrooms with separate bath and shower, air-conditioning, coffee and tea making facilities, hair dryers, fridges, electronic safes, telephone, wireless Internet connection and satellite television. The Protea Hotel Knysna Quays is both child and disabled friendly.*

### **Day 3 - KNYSNA to MOSSEL BAY**

This morning, after breakfast (included), gives us some time to enjoy the quaint village of Knysna and we have a bit of free time in the Knysna Waterfront. At 11h00 we depart on a guided boat trip (included) on the Keurbooms River where you experience the majesty of the Keurbooms River Nature Reserve, as the Ferries glide over shimmering waters, through soaring gorges. Qualified skippers and guides are on board to ensure that your 2.5hr trip is as informative as it is unforgettable, ending with a picnic lunch (included) on the beaches of the Keurbooms River.

In the late afternoon we make our way to Mossel Bay where we visit the Post Office Tree and Diaz museum where early pioneers left mail for the homebound ships to Europe. We spend a leisurely afternoon at the swimming pool or stroll along the beach before enjoying dinner (included), and overnight at the 3\* Mossel Bay Protea hotel (or similar).

**Accommodation:** **Mossel Bay Protea Hotel (3\*) - or similar**  
**Room:** **Standard**  
**Arrival:** **Day 3**  
**Departure:** **Day 4**  
**Included:** **Accommodation**



*The luxurious 31-roomed Protea Hotel Mossel Bay is a graceful landmark, built in 1846, overlooking Santos Bay and the harbor. Nestling on the Mossel Bay shoreline with the majestic Outeniqua mountains as a backdrop, the Protea Hotel Mossel Bay is singled out from other establishments. The stone walls and Mediterranean-style out-buildings belie the fact that the main building is one of the oldest in Mossel Bay and forms part of the Dias Museum Complex. Previously The Old Post Office Tree Manor Hotel, the Protea Hotel Mossel Bay, situated off Santos beach, could best be described as a hotel complex. It comprises of a breakfast patio with sea view, the Cafe Gannet Seafood Restaurant - "Mossel Bay's Seafood House", overlooking the Bay and Outeniqua Mountains. The Blue Oyster cocktail bar, adjacent to the pool, overlooks Santos Bay. All standard rooms have en-suite bathrooms and air conditioning.*

#### **Day 4 - MOSSEL BAY to CAPE TOWN**

Today we visit Botlierskop Private Game Reserve where we have breakfast (included) before departing on a game drive (included). Experience close encounters with Rhinoceros, Lion, Buffalo, and Giraffe, rare Black Impala and many other species on an exhilarating three-hour guided game viewing drive in an open vehicle over the 3000 hectare reserve.

From the reserve we travel via rolling hills to Swellendam, which is full of romantic history. The town was founded by the Dutch East India Company in 1745 in order to exercise control over independent frontiersmen who migrated over the Hottentots Holland Mountains at the beginning of the 18th century. The district and town were named after the reigning Governor of the Cape, Hendrik Swellengrebel, and his wife, Helena Ten Damme. In time, a village was established and Swellendam became the last outpost of civilization on the eastern frontier. Our lunch (included) today is at a restaurant in Swellendam (La Belle Alliance).

We stop at one of the local Farm stalls before continuing on our scenic route back to Cape Town.

**END OF TOUR**

## **COSTS:**

	<b>Validity from:</b>	<b>1 Nov 2016</b>
	<b>to:</b>	<b>31 Oct 2017</b>
	<b>Per person sharing rate</b>	<b>Single supplement</b>
	R 10,760.00	R 1,320.00

### **Note:**

- *This tour departs on **Tuesdays only**. Please enquire about other departures for 4 or more people.*
- *At time of booking, please enquire if your pickup address is included or if you need an additional transfer.*

## **INCLUDES:**

- 3 x nights accommodation
- 3 x breakfast
- 4 x lunch
- 3 x dinner
  
- Day 1: Wine tasting in Montagu
- Day 2: Tour of Cango Caves  
Cango Wildlife Ranch entrance fees  
Tour of Highgate Ostrich Farm
- Day 3: Guided boat trip on Keurbooms River
- Day 4: Game drive at Botlierskop Private Game Reserve
  
- English-speaking tour guide from Day 1 to Day 4
- Transport from Day 1 to Day 4 which includes driver, petrol, public liability, etc

## **EXCLUDES:**

- Flights, airport taxes and visas (where applicable)
- Other Conservation Fees/Entrance Fees
- All drinks / beverages
- Meals not indicated above
- Gratuity fees, tips, curios, telephone calls, internet, laundry, fax, anything of personal use etc.
- Optional activities
- Other expenses not specifically mentioned in the quote

**PLEASE NOTE: THE PROPOSAL IS SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF HOTELS, TRANSPORT AND OTHER SERVICES. PRICES WILL BE CONFIRMED ONLY ONCE ALL THE ROLE-PLAYERS HAVE CONFIRMED THEIR CONTRACTED RATES (SEASONALITY AND OTHER FACTORS OUT OF OUR CONTROL MIGHT HAVE AN IMPACT). BOOKINGS OR PART THEREOF, FALLING OUTSIDE OF THE INDICATED VALIDITY PERIOD, WILL BE SUBJECT TO PRICE ADJUSTMENTS. HIGHLINE TOURS & TRAVEL'S GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS (AVAILABLE ON REQUEST), INCLUDING DEPOSIT DATES AND CANCELLATION FEES, ARE**

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