

# CAPE TOWN AND THORNYBUSH EXPERIENCE Special offer for Marlin Travel

Day 1 Depart Canada

Depart Toronto via Washington DC (Dulles) or New York (JFK) on your South African Airways flight to Cape Town, via Johannesburg. From the moment you board your South African Airways flight you feel the warm and welcoming African hospitality in every detail of the world class service you are about to experience.

\*Flights from Washington DC (Dulles) are via Accra or Dakar with an hours stop for refueling\* Flying time is approximately 15 hours from New York and 16 hours from Washington DC.

Day 2

Johannesburg/Cape Town

#### **ARRIVE JOHANNESBURG**

On arrival at Johannesburg's Oliver Tambo International Airport's Central Terminal Building, collect your luggage and then clear Customs & Immigration. Re-check your bags for your domestic flight to Cape Town.

On arrival at Cape Town Airport, you will be met by a **Lion World Travel representative** and transferred to the luxurious Twelve Apostles Hotel and Spa.

The award-winning **5-star Twelve Apostles Hotel and Spa** is just 15 minutes from the heart of **Cape Town** on the gorgeous coastal drive along the winding Victoria Road on the way to Hout Bay. The cosmopolitan city of Cape Town is the most popular tourist destination in South Africa due to its good climate, rich history, culture and scenic beauty, world class restaurants, nightlife and shopping.





Twelve Apostles Hotel and Spa - Classic Room

The majestic Twelve Apostles Mountain Range serves as a backdrop to this magnificent property, with the Atlantic Ocean stretching into the horizon for as far as the eye can see. All around you can walk the wilderness trails of the Table Mountain National Park, part of the UNESCO World Heritage Site. This luxury boutique hotel offers a complimentary shuttle service to and from The Victoria and Alfred Waterfront.

At The Twelve Apostles you will relax in splendid luxury, surrounded by thoughtful touches and generous hospitality, for which they are renowned. All the rooms are individually designed and some have private patios or balconies. Every room has air conditioning, entertainment centers with DVD, and plush bathrobes and slippers.

Accommodation: Twelve Apostles Hotel and Spa – Classic Room

Day 3 Cape Town

Experience some magnificent views when you take a helicopter flight along the Atlantic Seaboard from the Twelve Apostles to the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront (this is subject to weather conditions.) Please note that every helicopter has a weight restriction. Passengers will be weighed (the weight will be kept confidential) to ensure they are within this restriction which is usually 275lbs / 125kgs.





Accommodation: Twelve Apostles Hotel & Spa - Classic Room (B)

Day 4 Cape Peninsula

Day or leisure – we suggest doing a Cape Peninsula Tour – please speak to your Africa Specialist for more information.

On this tour you will see why the area earned the name of The Fairest Cape. Sit back and relax, as you drive along the exquisite stretch of coastline known as Millionaire's Paradise – from Clifton to Camps Bay, to the exclusive beach hamlet of Llandudno – towards the charming working harbour of Hout Bay; if you choose, you can embark on an up-close-and-personal Seal Island cruise (your own account).

The tour then winds its way along the legendary Chapman's Peak Drive, hugging the cliffs and relishing the breathtaking ocean views. After a stop for lunch (your own account), visit the wild and beautiful Cape of Good Hope Section of the Table Mountain National Park, an integral part of the world-renowned Cape Floral Kingdom. You will have the opportunity to ride the Flying Dutchman funicular (optional and own account) to the old lighthouse for awe-inspiring views!

Finally, the tour makes its way back along the coast towards the City, visiting the historic naval port of Simon's Town and the endearing African penguin colony at Boulders Beach. Did you know that the African Penguin used to be called a "jackass" penguin because its call is similar to that of a braying donkey!





**Boulders Beach Penguins** 

Accommodation: Twelve Apostles Hotel & Spa - Classic Room (B)

<u>Day 5</u>

Today enjoy a Cape Winelands Tour.

Take a drive to the beautiful Franschhoek Valley, for a wine tasting at **La Motte Wine Estate**, home to the finest wines, recognised internationally for exceptional quality. Visit **La Bourgogne Farm** for an olive oil tasting and wine tasting. Stop in **Franschhoek** for lunch (for your own account) and some shopping in this beautiful picturesque setting. After a wonderful day enjoying the sights, sounds and tastes of the Winelands, you will be transferred back to your hotel to enjoy a late afternoon and evening at leisure.







V&A Waterfront / Table Mountain

Accommodation: Twelve Apostles Hotel & Spa - Classic Room (B)



#### Day 6

#### Cape Town/Johannesburg/Hoedspruit

After breakfast this morning you will be transferred to Cape Town Airport for your flight to Johannesburg and then onto Hoedspruit.

On arrival in Hoedspruit you will be met and transferred to your safari lodge.

Set on the banks of a tranquil lake encompassed with breath-taking views of the African bushveld, **Thornybush Waterside Lodge** in the Thornybush Nature Reserve is adjacent to the Greater Kruger National Park. The 20 comfortably appointed air-conditioned thatched suites at this lodge blend into the natural habitat and are located along pathways surrounded by an abundance of trees and manicured gardens.

The accommodation is tastefully decorated and boasts crisp white bedding, en-suite facilities with a separate bathtub and shower, a mini-bar, hairdryer, safe, a tea and coffee station and a private deck.

Accommodation: Thornybush Waterside Lodge (B, L, D)

## Day 7 & Day 8

## Thornybush Nature Reserve

Enjoy both morning and afternoon safari game drives over the next two days.

Highly skilled rangers and trackers ensure excellent game viewing opportunities during dawn and dusk safaris, whilst bushwalks are for the more adventurous. Being located in a Big Five reserve, you may be fortunate enough to see Lion, Leopard, Elephant, Rhino and Buffalo on the game drives and between them, relax and take in the African surrounds on the main deck area overlooking the lake, the swimming pool or alternatively retreat to the comfort of your suite.





Thornybush game drive

Accommodation: Thornybush Waterside Lodge (B, L, D)

<u>Johannesburg/Depart</u>

After an early morning game drive to track the animals that may have eluded you so far, followed by breakfast, you will be transferred to Hoedspruit Airport for your flight back to Johannesburg. Bid farewell to the place that has given you unforgettable wildlife encounters in the African bush. **(B)** 

On arrival at Johannesburg's Oliver Tambo International Airport, connect with your scheduled international South African Airways flight back home.

#### **DEPART JOHANNESBURG**

\*Flights to Washington DC (Dulles) stop in Accra, Ghana or Dakar, Senegal roughly halfway through the flight. The aircraft is on the ground for an hour during which time you will remain on the plane.\*

<u>Day 10</u> <u>Arrive Canada</u>

ARRIVE WASHINGTON (DULLES) or NEW YORK (JFK) and connect to Toronto.

Return home with a lifetime of memories!

B = Breakfast

L = Lunch

D = Dinner

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# COSTINGS

For travel in the following months...

May 2016 \$5299 CAD Sep13 - 30 2016 \$5499 CAD Oct 2016 \$5799 CAD

\*\*Single Supplement \$1850 CAD additional on all dates based on two passengers already travelling

\*\*Book space based on availability pricing based on minimum two passengers travelling

#### **INCLUDES:**

- International flights: Toronto/Washington DC or New York/Johannesburg/Washington DC or New York/Toronto
- South Africa domestic flights: Johannesburg/Hoedspruit/Cape Town/Johannesburg
- All services as specified
- All transfers as specified
- Accommodation in standard rooms
- Meals as specified in itinerary
- Transportation in luxury air-conditioned vehicles
- Sight-seeing as per itinerary led by English speaking driver/guides
- Entrance fees for sightseeing as indicated
- Game drives as specified in itinerary
- Services of Rangers/Trackers
- Marlin Travel Representative Meet and Greet upon arrival

#### **EXCLUDES:**

- Items of a personal nature such as laundry, telephone calls, drinks, etc.
- All other services not mentioned
- Gratuities/Tips for rangers, tour guides and drivers
- Costs of obtaining Passports or Visas
- New Government taxes, levies, fuel or industry increases beyond our control
- Trip Cancellation, Interruption and/or Medical Insurance

### Please Note:

 Visas: Canadian passport holders require a visa for South Africa for a visit of less than 90 days. The visa is issued free of charge on arrival in South Africa and is in the form of a stamp in your passport. For this you will need to join the line designated for passport holders requiring visas.



- Passports: Please ensure that you are in possession of a valid passport with at least TWO BLANK PAGES marked "VISA" and that this is valid for at least 6 months after your intended return date from South Africa. If you are visiting other countries, please establish entry requirements and have additional blank visa pages for those countries as well.
- Malaria: We strongly advise you to take precautions against malaria prior to the commencement of your holiday if you are visiting an area where malaria is found this included the Greater Kruger National Park area incorporating the Sabi Sands, Thornybush, Timbavati and other private game reserves. Please contact your physician or travel clinic for advice as to which prophylactic is recommended.