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# South Africa: Whales, Wine & Wildlife

DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

## *Classic Safari*

### Timing makes all the difference.

June through November brings southern Right whales into the Dehoop Nature Reserve on South Africa's whale coast to calve and mate.

Franschoek is full of vibrant floral displays and lush greenery throughout the vineyards.

Weather is warm, sunny, and comfortable. Great time for hiking, biking, and exploring.

Cape Town offers comfortable temperatures, blooms of wildflowers, and world class cuisine.

Timbavati is spectacular from June through November with wildlife concentrated around water sources. Great viewing of Kruger's Big 5 animals



# Welcome to Deeper Africa

Wildlife encounters, at once spontaneous and beyond imagination, result from our in-depth knowledge of seasonal wildlife migrations and patterns. Our guides possess a lifetime of African lore and all the skills of a master tracker. *It's being in the perfect place at the perfect time.*

As a worldwide team with vast experience, we provide you with exceptional personal service. We attend to every detail. We help you learn about Africa's important conservation issues. *Arrive in Africa fully prepared and ready to explore.*

We believe that local African communities must benefit and prosper from the conservation and enjoyment of Africa's wildlife. They ensure the future. Your dollars protect wildlife and wild lands, as well as support and nurture local small businesses that in turn support our safari business. *Your dollar makes change.*

Experience wondrous wildlife, enjoy local culture and discover more about the vibrant people and complicated politics unique to Africa. *We love this wild continent.*

## *Classic Safari* with Deeper Africa

ENDLESS WILDERNESS, GREAT GUIDES & SPECTACULAR WILDLIFE VIEWING

### *It's all about the wildlife*

We'll get you to the best locations during the right seasons. Learn animal identification, tracking and spotting skills. Accommodations are comfortable and the food is delicious.

Come with us and discover the brilliance and serenity of Africa in the company of experts who can give you a closer look, a richer taste, and a deeper understanding of an astonishing landscape.



# *Safari schedule at a glance*

## International flight #1

Departs: TBD

Arrives: CPT

## International flight #2

Departs: TBD

Arrives: JNB

### Days 1 & 2:

Arrival in Cape Town, South Africa

Overnights at Kensington Place

### Days 3 & 4:

Drive to DeHoop Nature Reserve, Whale Coast

Overnights at Lekkerwater

### Days 5, 6 & 7:

Drive to Franschhoek

Overnights at La Cotte Cottages

### Day 8, 9, & 10:

Fly to Hoedspruit

Overnights at Thabamati, Timbavati Nature Reserve

### Day 11:

Fly to Johannesburg for international flights





DAY 1

# Kensington Place Cape Town

A Deeper Africa driver is waiting for you as you exit your international flight. He'll help you through customs and immigration, pick up your luggage, visit the currency exchange, and then transport you into Cape Town. You'll be residing in the City Bowl neighborhood for your time in Cape Town.



*Includes:*  
Swimming Pool  
Wifi



DAY 2

# Kensington Place Cape Town

This morning take a driving tour of Cape Town with a Deeper Africa guide. Begin with a tour of Table Mountain to soak up panoramic vistas of the Mother City and the surrounding oceans, weather permitting. Pay the cable car fee direct.

We'll also drive to the Company Gardens and then wander through learning about the history of this amazing garden created by the Dutch East Indies Company in 1650, as a maritime replenishment station. Afterwards we'll visit the South African Museum and then climb onto the Castle of Good Hope, also built by the Dutch. This is the oldest colonial building in the country.

During the drive we'll pass the Houses of Parliament, the Grand Parade and City Hall - where Nelson Mandela first addressed South Africans after his release. The Grand Parade is a public square that has played a significant role in South African history.

To end the morning, our guide will drop you off at the vibrant Victoria & Alfred Waterfront as the end of your tour. You can then easily explore the restaurants and pubs to select a lunch spot, pay direct. There is shopping available, as well.



*Includes:*  
Breakfast  
Swimming Pool  
Wifi



DAY 2

# Kensington Place Cape Town

This afternoon continue your exploration of Cape Town joining a local guide from the Bo-Kaap neighborhood. The Bo-Kaap tour is the oldest suburb in South Africa. This is a walking tour that takes you to a local's home to enjoy a traditional treat and a cup of South Africa's famous rooibos tea. The host will entertain you with stories of this historical neighborhood, its people, and its cultures. Venture down the most-photographed street in Cape Town with its brightly colored 17th century houses, cobble stone streets, Muslim shrines, and beautiful mosques. You'll stop at the famed spice shop, Atlas, where you will smell the heady aromas of spices used in everyday Cape Malay cooking.

The tour ends at the Bo-Kaap Hub living heritage museum, a beautiful exhibition and explanation of traditions and the history of these traditions in Bo-Kaap.

*Includes:*  
Breakfast  
Swimming Pool  
Wifi



DAYS 3 & 4

# Lekkerwater Whale Coast

*Includes:*  
Breakfast  
Dinner  
Alcohol & Beverage  
Laundry  
Wifi

We'll transfer you southeast through beautiful country to the DeHoop Nature Reserve for two nights. The reserve extends along the beach of the South African coast for over 3.5 miles (6 kms) and it extends 3.1 miles (5 kms) into the ocean. DeHoop is considered the best location for land-based whale watching on the planet. From June through November southern Right whales arrive at the confluence of the warm Agulhus current and the nutrient rich cold Benguela currents of the reserve. They congregate offshore to calve, mate, and cavort in the warm ocean.

A short walk from Lekkerwater takes you to key archeological sites ready for exploration. Two sites are particularly interesting. They show middle Stone Age occupation with extraordinary levels of preservation dating back at least 64,000 years.



DAY 5

# La Cotte Cottages Franschhoek

We'll transfer you this morning to La Cotte Cottages on the La Cotte Farm in Franschhoek. Enjoy the farm atmosphere or the nearby hustle and bustle of Franschhoek's main street. You'll be sleeping for three nights in one of their Orchard Cottages.

*Includes:*  
Breakfast  
Swimming Pool  
Wifi



DAY 6

# La Cotte Cottages Franschhoek

Today venture out to discover the best of Franschhoek – from wine farms to galleries to history. Our guide will pick you up at 9:00am.

Start out in Franschhoek village, learning about the history of the region, and visiting some of the best local galleries on foot. We'll have you at Everard Read, Ebony, and IS Art Gallery. Enjoy morning coffee at Terbodore Coffee Roasters in town. The rest of the day is tailored to your preferences:

For wine farms we can visit:

- Le Lude
- Boekenhoutskloof
- Stony Brook
- GlenWood
- Atlas Swift

*Includes:*  
Breakfast  
Swimming Pool  
Wifi



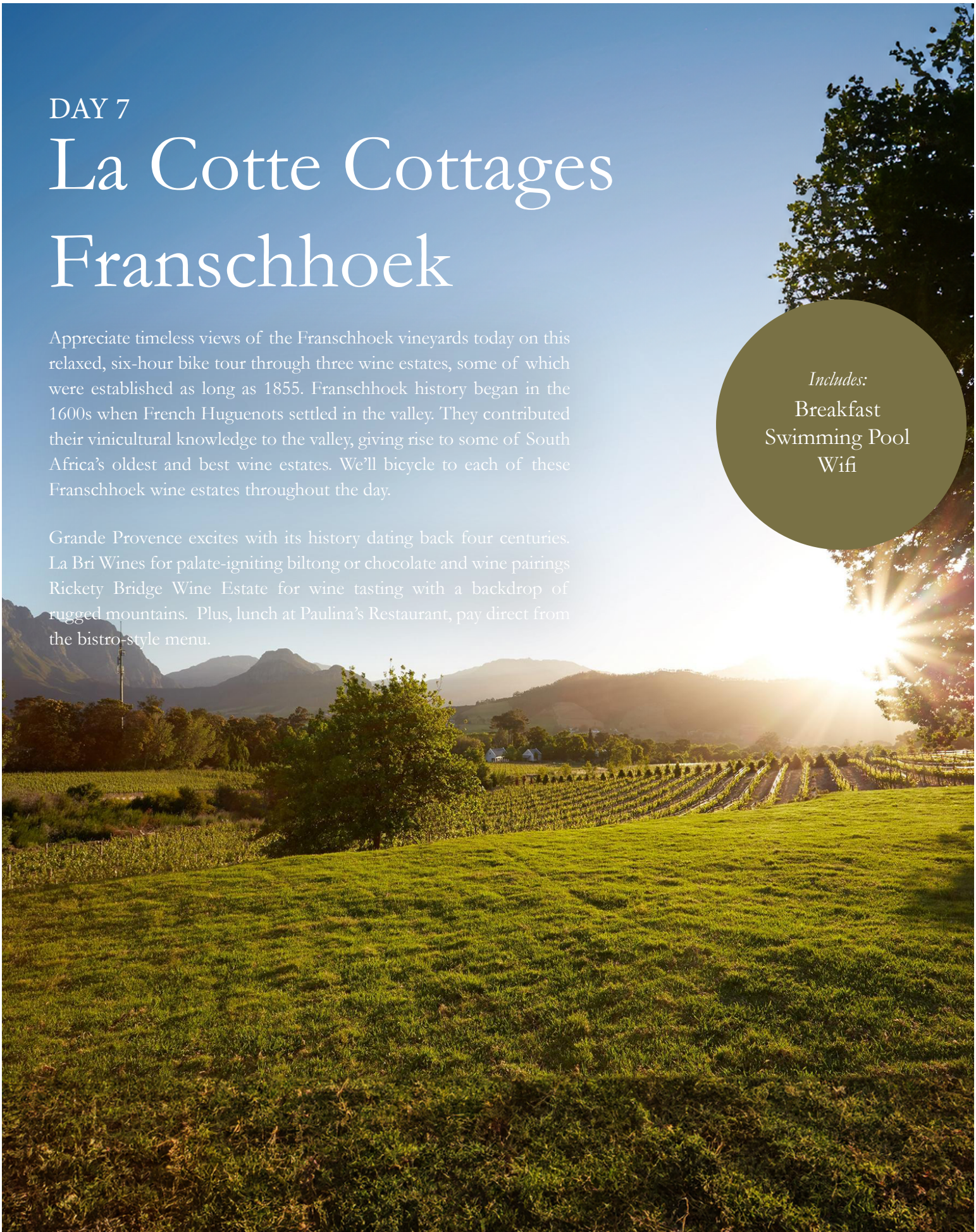
DAY 7

# La Cotte Cottages Franschhoek

Appreciate timeless views of the Franschhoek vineyards today on this relaxed, six-hour bike tour through three wine estates, some of which were established as long as 1855. Franschhoek history began in the 1600s when French Huguenots settled in the valley. They contributed their vinicultural knowledge to the valley, giving rise to some of South Africa's oldest and best wine estates. We'll bicycle to each of these Franschhoek wine estates throughout the day.

Grande Provence excites with its history dating back four centuries. La Bri Wines for palate-igniting biltong or chocolate and wine pairings Rickety Bridge Wine Estate for wine tasting with a backdrop of rugged mountains. Plus, lunch at Paulina's Restaurant, pay direct from the bistro-style menu.

*Includes:*  
Breakfast  
Swimming Pool  
Wifi





DAYS 8, 9 & 10

# Thabamati Timbavati

Day 8: Morning transfer from Franschhoek to Cape Town airport.

## Flight (Day 8)

Departs | Cape Town, South Africa

Arrives | Hoedspruit, South Africa

Your Thabamati guide will be waiting for you at this small airport to bring you into camp.

*Includes:*  
Breakfast  
Dinner  
Alcohol & Beverages  
Laundry  
Wifi

This is a small camp with only four spacious and luxurious tents overlooking the Drakensberg Mountains in the Timbavati Private Nature Reserve as well as a dam on the property. That means only eight travelers in the whole camp. Thabamati means “mountain and water.” You’ll have viewings of the rare Timbavati white lions that exist only in this ecosystem. Timbavati allows sighting of Africa’s Big 5, including buffalo, lion, leopard, elephant, and rhino, both black and white. Wildlife viewing, guided walking safaris, and star gazing available every day. No boundaries exist between Timbavati and the adjoining Kruger National Park so wildlife can move freely between habitats.



DAY 11

# Flights & International Travel

Your Thabamati guide will transfer you to the Hoedspruit airport for your flight to Johannesburg.

Flight #1 (Day 11)

Departs | Johannesburg, South Africa

Arrives | TBD

Flight #2 (Day 12)

Departs | TBD

Arrives | TBD





# 2025 Pricing: \$7,400 - \$8,600

## 2025 Custom Pricing & Departures

### Jun 2 – Aug 30

- 2 guests: \$7,900 USD per person
- 4 guests: \$7,500 USD per person
- 6 guests: \$7,400 USD per person
- Single supplement: \$2,000 USD

### Sep 1 – Oct 29

### Nov 3 – Nov 26

- 2 guests: \$8,600 USD per person
- 4 guests: \$8,200 USD per person
- 6 guests: \$8,100 USD per person
- Single supplement: \$2,700 USD

All pricing in US dollars. All arrivals are through Cape Town and departures from Johannesburg, South Africa. Prices do not include international airfare. All itineraries and prices are subject to change.

## South Africa: Whales, Wine + Wildlife safari includes:

- Start-to-finish safari expertise
- Accommodations in all lodges, camps, and hotels
- All meals as stated in itinerary
- Transfer from Cape Town airport to Kensington Place
- Half day privately guided city tour of Cape Town
- Guided tour of the Bo Kaap District
- Free time to explore Cape Town
- Complimentary access to the Virgin Active Fitness Club near Kensington Place
- Transfer from Cape Town to De Hoop Nature Reserve
- Guided marine, nature and archeological walks, plus explore the intertidal zones to observe marine life
- Transfer from De Hoop Nature Reserve to Franschoek
- Full day guided Franschoek Valley Tour, including three winery visits
- Full day bike excursion around Franschoek, visiting three wineries
- Three nights wildlife viewing and walking safaris in Timbavati
- All park and entrance fees in Timbavati
- Safe drinking water available at all times
- Extensive pre-departure briefing and materials including health information, reading list and map
- Vaccination and Visa support
- Curated list of Cultural Resources
- Need to purchase: Cape Town to Hoedspruit flight, Hoedspruit to Johannesburg flight, lunches and dinners in fabulous Cape Town and Franschoek restaurants

*International airfare and gratuities not included. Certain brands of alcohol and beverages not included in some camps.*

We plan your adventures in areas where wildlife habitats are known to exist for the season and time you're traveling. Still, animals are not in a zoo. They run freely and we cannot always anticipate their movements.



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