

SOUTH AFRICA

**Scheduled Guided Tour Itinerary | TISD 20**

Gqeberha (Port Elizabeth) to Cape Town

Validity 01 November 2024 to 31 December 2025



### 3-day Garden Route Highlights

Explore the Garden Route from Port Elizabeth (Gqeberha), visiting Tsitsikamma, standing on the Storms River Bridge, Oudtshoorn sights and the Cape Winelands.



### TOUR DETAILS

<b>Tour Code</b>	TISD 20	
<b>Duration</b>	3 days   2 nights 1 night Knysna 1 night Oudtshoorn	
<b>Start location</b>	Port Elizabeth (Gqeberha), Eastern Cape	
<b>End location</b>	Cape Town, Western Cape	
<b>Group size</b>	2 – 30 guests per vehicle	
<b>Departure time</b>	±11h30 from Southern Sun The Marine or Kelway Hotel - Collection times vary; are subject to the hotel collection route and will be confirmed, via the hotel, the day prior to departure	
<b>Language</b>	English guided German guided Other language tour guides are available on request if booked on a private basis and a surcharge applies	
<b>Accommodation</b>	3 and 4-star hotels	
<b>Vehicle</b>	Air-conditioned vehicle of appropriate size Minibus or coach	
<b>Included</b>	<b>Meals</b>	2 breakfasts
	<b>Entrance Fees</b>	Garden Route National Park conservation fee (Storms River Bridge) Hotel Porterage
	<b>Green Seat</b>	Endangered Wildlife Trust, Trees for Tourism
<b>Excluded</b>	Travel insurance, flights, visa fees, airport transfers, 3 lunches, 2 dinners, gratuities and optional excursions: - Day 2 > Cango Caves heritage tour - Day 2 > Ostrich farm tractor tour - Day 3 > Cheese and wine pairing, cellar tour	

## SCHEDULED DEPARTURE DATES

2025 Season 01 Nov 2024 - 31 Dec 2025	Language		Start Wednesday	End Friday
	Scheduled Wednesday	Group 1	German	13-Nov-24
Group 2		English	20-Nov-24	22-Nov-24
Group 3		German	04-Dec-24	06-Dec-24
Group 4		English	11-Dec-24	13-Dec-24
Group 5		German	22-Jan-25	24-Jan-25
Group 6		English	29-Jan-25	31-Jan-25
Group 7		German	12-Feb-25	14-Feb-25
Group 8		English	19-Feb-25	21-Feb-25
Group 9		German	26-Feb-25	28-Feb-25
Group 10		English	12-Mar-25	14-Mar-25
Group 11		German	19-Mar-25	21-Mar-25
Group 12		English	02-Apr-25	04-Apr-25
Group 13		German	09-Apr-25	11-Apr-25
Group 14		English	16-Apr-25	18-Apr-25
Group 15		German	23-Apr-25	25-Apr-25
Group 16		English	14-May-25	16-May-25
Group 17		German	21-May-25	23-May-25
Group 18		English	28-May-25	30-May-25
Group 19		German	11-Jun-25	13-Jun-25
Group 20		English	02-Jul-25	04-Jul-25
Group 21		German	16-Jul-25	18-Jul-25
Group 22		English	30-Jul-25	01-Aug-25
Group 23		German	20-Aug-25	22-Aug-25
Group 24		English	27-Aug-25	29-Aug-25
Group 25		German	03-Sep-25	05-Sep-25
Group 26		English	17-Sep-25	19-Sep-25
Group 27		German	24-Sep-25	26-Sep-25
Group 28		English	01-Oct-25	03-Oct-25
Group 29		German	15-Oct-25	17-Oct-25
Group 30		English	22-Oct-25	24-Oct-25
Group 31		German	29-Oct-25	31-Oct-25
Group 32		German	12-Nov-25	14-Nov-25
Group 33		English	19-Nov-25	21-Nov-25
Group 34		German	26-Nov-25	28-Nov-25
Group 35		English	10-Dec-25	12-Dec-25

## ADDITIONAL TOURING OPTIONS

<b>Scheduled Private Guided Tour</b>	<p>The itinerary is available on a private basis departing on scheduled Wednesdays</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Available on 30-day freesell and on request thereafter</li> <li>- Departure on any other day is subject to availability and a surcharge applies</li> <li>- Public attractions and open safari vehicle game drives will not be private</li> <li>- Other foreign language tour guides are available on request if booked on a private basis and a surcharge applies</li> </ul>
<b>Scheduled Self-drive Tour</b>	<p>The itinerary is available on a self-drive basis departing on scheduled Wednesdays</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Available on 30-day freesell and on request thereafter</li> <li>- Excluding most entrance fees</li> <li>- Departure on any other day is subject to availability and a surcharge applies</li> </ul>
<b>Motorcycle experience</b>	<p>Motorcyclists may join the tour</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Motorcycle rental at own arrangement and risk</li> <li>- Standard per person rate (single or sharing) will apply</li> <li>- Motorcyclists to remain in front of the touring vehicle</li> </ul>

## EXTEND THE EXPERIENCE Recommendations

Pre-Tour Accommodation in <b>PORT ELIZABETH:</b>	<b>3/4-star</b> The Kelway Hotel
	<b>4-star</b> Southern Sun The Marine
Pre-Touring <b>KRUGER extention:</b>	<b>6-day Kruger to Coast</b> Joburg to Durban, Starts Sunday, Ends Saturday
Post-Tour Accommodation in <b>CAPE TOWN:</b>	<b>3-star</b> StayEasy City Bowl Cape Town
	<b>4-star</b> SunSquare Cape Town City Bowl

## TOUR SUMMARY

Alternative accommodation may be booked when required and will be communicated 30-days before departure

DAY	ACCOMMODATION	MEALS	ACTIVITIES & ENTRANCE FEES INCLUDED	KM
1 Wed	Premier Hotel The Moorings Knysna		Short walk in Tsitsikamma across the Storms River Suspension Bridge	260
2 Thu	Protea Hotel by Marriott Riempe Estate	Breakfast		180
3 Fri	TOUR ENDS IN CAPE TOWN	Breakfast		450

## DAY-BY-DAY BREAKDOWN

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### Day 1 | Wednesday

#### **PORT ELIZABETH (GQEBERHA) to KNYSNA via EASTERN GARDEN ROUTE (±260km)**

Breakfast at hotel (own arrangements and own account)  
Depart Port Elizabeth (Gqeberha) around midday  
Lunch in Tsitsikamma (own expense)  
Short walk in Tsitsikamma across the Storms River Suspension Bridge (included)  
Arrive in Knysna, afternoon at leisure  
Dinner at the hotel (own account)  
Premier Hotel The Moorings Knysna or similar – Breakfast (4-star)

### Day 2 | Thursday

#### **KNYSNA to OUDTSHOORN via CANGO CAVES (±180km)**

Breakfast at the hotel (included)  
Scenic drive through Knysna and stop at lookout point – views of Knysna Lagoon and Knysna Heads  
Outeniqua Mountain Pass  
Optional Ostrich Farm tractor tour (own expense)  
Lunch at the Ostrich Farm (own expense)  
Optional Cango Caves heritage tour (own expense)  
Arrive at the hotel, at leisure  
Dinner at the hotel or in town (own expense)  
Protea Hotel by Marriott Riempe Estate or similar – Breakfast (3-star)

### Day 3 | Friday

#### **OUDTSHOORN to CAPE TOWN via WINELANDS (±450km) | Day of departure**

Breakfast at hotel (included)  
Drive via Route 62 through small towns or villages  
Lunch en route (own expense)  
Optional Cheese and wine pairing, cellar tour (own expense)  
Drop-off at hotel in afternoon

## DETAILED ITINERARY

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### Day 1 | Wednesday

#### PORT ELIZABETH (GQEBERHA) to KNYSNA via EASTERN GARDEN ROUTE (±260km)

After a leisurely breakfast, we depart for Knysna along the N2 highway via Gqeberha, a route famous for its outstanding natural beauty. One of the many gems of the Garden Route is the Tsitsikamma Forest, where we will enjoy lunch (at own expense). As we enter the Storms River section of the Garden Route National Park, watch for when the road suddenly tops a rise, offering a breathtaking view of the ocean and a deep, emerald-green gorge. Cross the famous Storms River suspension bridge and experience the thrill of standing high above the vast rocky chasm below you. There are a series of 3 bridges with stable wooden paths and stairs. This hour-long walk offers spectacular views of the gorge and ocean. The afternoon continues with a scenic drive through Plettenberg Bay to Knysna. The beauty of Knysna is found in its inland waterways and the Heads rock formations, towering over each side of a vast lagoon. Spend your afternoon at leisure, relaxing or exploring the many craft shops and art galleries, or Gin Distillery before heading back to your hotel for dinner.

Overnight at Premier Hotel The Moorings Knysna or similar – Breakfast

### Day 2 | Thursday

#### KNYSNA to OUDTSHOORN via CANGO CAVES (±180km)

After a hearty breakfast, there will be a photo opportunity from a panoramic lookout point with sweeping views of the Knysna Heads and Lagoon before leaving for Oudtshoorn. The drive to Oudtshoorn runs through pretty seaside towns, past lakes, and mountains. From the town of George, the road turns inland and up the 13km Outeniqua Pass, with waterfalls and views of the ocean. The Pass exits into the semi-desert of the Klein Karoo where we find the town of Oudtshoorn, the ostrich capital of the world. See an ostrich farm the traditional way by taking a fun and interactive tractor tour of the farm. You will be served a farm lunch (at your own expense) and be sure to try ostrich biltong (dried meat). You will have travelled through game parks, up mountain passes and across estuaries, but the Cango Caves Heritage Tour will take you into an astounding subterranean world. The Caves, approximately 20 million years old, are an underground wonder. Don't worry about claustrophobia; the Van Zyl's Hall cave is 107m long and 54m in width. With leisure time in the evening, you can have dinner at the hotel (at your own expense).

Overnight at Protea Hotel by Marriott Riempe Estate or similar – Breakfast

### Day 3 | Friday

#### OUDTSHOORN to CAPE TOWN via WINELANDS (±450km)

Enjoy breakfast as you prepare to head to one of South Africa's premier destinations, the magnificent city of Cape Town. The road twists along Route 62, the longest and most mountainous wine route in the world. Your touring vehicle window will feel like a series of picture postcards as you pass through the changing landscape. There will be time for lunch in one of the charming towns along the way (at your own expense). After lunch, indulge in a cheese and wine pairing and a cellar tour of one of the many fine vineyards on the route (at your own expense). South Africa is justifiably famous for its wine industry, which dates back to the 17th century, making it one of the oldest in the world. There are 148 wine farms along our route but we will not have time for all of them. Arrive in Cape Town in the late afternoon, the most beautiful city in South Africa.