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## WINELANDS & WILDLIFE PRE-CRUISE LAND PROGRAM

# COMPLIMENTARY 3 NIGHT PRE-CRUISE LAND PROGRAM

### Land Program includes:

- Three nights at the Southern Sun Cullinan Hotel or similar hotel including breakfast (Double Room)
- Transfers
- Touring with entrances and game drive as per description
- Dinner on Day 2 inclusive of 2 drinks per person (mineral water, soft drink, house wine or local beer)
- Light picnic lunch on Day 2 inclusive of 2 drinks per person (mineral water, soft drink, house wine or local beer)
- Lunch on Day 3 inclusive of 2 drinks per person (mineral water, soft drink, house wine or local beer)
- Bottled mineral water on board touring vehicle
- Portorage allowing for a maximum of 2 suitcases per person

### Day by Day Itinerary:

Take a journey from the delightful city of Cape Town to the scenic landscapes of the famous Cape of Good Hope as well as the Cape Winelands. One day visit Boulder Beach to see the African Penguin Colony and the next explore the oak-lined streets and Cape Dutch architecture of charming towns such as Paarl and Stellenbosch. Enjoy a wine tasting and picnic at a local estate en route. Finally, take part in a hosted game drive through one of Africa's pristine wildlife reserves, where you will have the chance to see many African animals in their natural habitat.

#### Day 1

Upon arrival at the Cape Town International Airport you will be met outside the Customs and Immigration area and transferred to your city-based hotel where you will spend the night. Check-in time is at 2:00pm. Although every effort will be made to have rooms available before this time this cannot be guaranteed. If you are arriving quite early, in order to guarantee a room to be available when you arrive, you will need to book an additional night's stay. The remainder of the day is at your leisure. Meals are on your own.

#### Day 2

After breakfast at the hotel, the group departs Cape Town towards the Cape Winelands, set below the dramatic mountain range known as the "Hoteentots Holland." Visit a wine estate where you will partake in a formal wine tasting. You will also make a visit to Franschoek, a small town in the Western Cape Province and one of the oldest towns in Republic of South Africa. Here you will make a brief visit to the Huguenot Memorial and Museum. Enjoy a light picnic-style lunch at a wine estate before continuing to Stellenbosch, "Town of Oaks", the second oldest town in South Africa, founded by Governor Simon van der Stel in 1679. Today, Stellenbosch is best known as a major university town, characterized by Cape Dutch-style architecture and leafy streets so beautiful that some of them have been declared national monuments. After your brief orientation drive through this lovely town, spend some time at leisure exploring on your own -browse through a variety of curio shops or pay a visit (additional cost) to the Stellenbosch Museum which comprises four different houses depicting different eras. Return to the hotel where the remainder of the day is at your leisure. Dinner is included at your hotel.

#### Day 3

After breakfast at your hotel, depart Cape Town for a two-hour journey which will meander through the scenic Hex River Valley to one of Cape Town's closest private game reserves, Aquila. This game reserve is situated on 4500 hectares of Southern Karoo Highlands and combines the flora and fauna of three beautiful valleys. The reserve encompasses a natural wetland and a magnificent mountain range. Here you will have the opportunity to experience an outstanding variety of game. Upon arrival you will board 4 x 4 safari vehicles for your game drive with experienced ranger guides. Animals typically found roaming in the reserve included Rhino, buffalo, giraffe and lions (note: lions are in an enclosure). Large herds of zebra, black and blue wildebeest, red hartebeest, warthog, eland, springbok, blesbok and gemsbok may also be seen in the semi-arid desert conditions. Hippo and crocodile lurk in the wetlands. Aquila's wide array of bird species include several pairs of the rare and endangered black eagle, after which the reserve has been named. Following your game drive and before your return to Cape Town, a delicious buffet lunch will be served in the African "Boma" restaurant. Once back in Cape Town, the remainder of the day will be at your leisure and dinner is on your own.

#### Day 4

After breakfast at your hotel and check-out formalities, embark on a half day Cape Point tour en route to the harbor where your cruise ship awaits your arrival. Begin with a scenic drive to the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve. It is here that the Atlantic and Indian Oceans, along with their diverse ecosystems, are thought to converge. This expansive nature reserve occupies 19,150 acres of indigenous flora and fauna. Cape Point and its dramatic sea cliffs, among South Africa's highest are main attractions of the reserve. Upon arrival, you will ride the funicular railway to the top of Cape Point (provided it's in operation) and take in breathtaking views and photo opportunities. Thereafter visit the African penguin colony at Boulders Beach, followed by a drive through the naval base of Simon's Town to Fish Hoek. From here, you will continue to the colorful fishing harbor of Kalk Bay before turning on to Boyes Drive, which offers magnificent views of Muizenberg and False Bay. Your drive will conclude passing by the University of Cape Town, Rhodes Memorial, Mostert's Mill and famous Groote Schuur Hospital before reaching Cape Town harbor where you will embark the ship.