



**KZN Package 3**  
**6 Night / 7 Day (Durban, Drakensburg & St Lucia) – LAND ONLY**

**Day 1**

Upon arrival at Durban King Shaka Int airport you will be met by our tour guide who will transfer you to your Durban beachfront hotel.

After check in and short rest, our guide will meet you in the hotel foyer for an afternoon Durban City tour. This is the ideal introductory tour of Durban, which has been shaped by the early Colonial settlers, the indigenous Zulus and the Indians who arrived as indentured labourers in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century. Drive along the 'Golden Mile' (Beachfront area). Visit the city centre and Indian Markets. Stop at Wilson's Wharf and Durban's Botanic Gardens, founded in 1849. Finally visit the iconic Moses Mabhida Stadium and take a trip on the sky car (optional extra). Evening will be at leisure.

***We recommend your arrival at King Shaka Int to be before 12h00***

*Included: airport transfer, city tour, 4 star b&b accommodation (beachfront hotel)*

**Day 2**

Our guide will meet you in the hotel foyer at 06h00 as spend a day visiting the World Heritage Site of Giant's Castle, in the spectacular Drakensberg Mountains. We will get to view the enigmatic Bushman paintings, dating back 2000 years. Enjoy a 3km round trip hike to the site of the caves adorned with the Bushman's legacy (average level of fitness required), followed by a hearty lunch, which is included. Return to Durban via the Midlands Meander route, with its many craft and farmers markets.

*Included: guided tour to Giants Castle, entrance fee, lunch, 4 star b&b accommodation (beachfront hotel).*

**Day 3**

Today we will enjoy a leisurely start as our guide will meet you in the hotel foyer at 09h00. This morning we take a journey to the cradle of South Africa's democracy and visit some of Durban's most historical sites. Places where the future of South Africa was changed by the hands of brave and committed individuals. The highlight is a visit site where Nelson Mandela cast his first democratic vote in 1994. You will also visit places such as: Inanda Township, Mahatma Gandhi homestead (Phoenix Settlement), Inanda Seminary and many more.

After lunch we will proceed to the Valley of a thousand hills where we will stop for lunch at a local restaurant. After lunch we will proceed on a Tour of magnificent scenery, culture and reptiles all rolled into one. Our tour begins as we drive through the western Durban suburbs and on to the picturesque countryside of the Valley of a Thousand Hills. Visit a constructed Zulu village where you will be welcomed into the traditional beehive huts. Various artefacts, beliefs and ritual are explained, providing an insight into the fascinating Zulu culture. Our tour of the village culminates in an impressive Zulu dancing show. After this cultural experience we will visit the local snake and crocodile farm to view some of Africa magnificent creatures.

*Included: guided tour to Inanda Township and Valley of a thousand hills, entrance fees, lunch at the Valley of a Thousand Hill, 4 star b&b accommodation (beachfront hotel).*

**Day 4**

After breakfast and check out, our guide will meet you in the hotel foyer at 09h00 as we depart by road to the town of St Lucia which is located 3 hours north of the Durban city centre. St Lucia is a World Heritage site and home to a number Hippopotamus, the Nile crocodile and an abundance of bird that can be found along the natural estuary system. Upon arrival we will check into our local hotel before embarking on a 2 hour boat cruise along the estuary. This will allow you a unique safari experience from while cruising along the waterway. We will then return to your local hotel and the rest of this evening will be at leisure.

*Included: guided transfer from Durban to St Lucia, entrance tickets for the 2 hour boat cruise, 4 star b&b accommodation (St Lucia).*

## **Day 5**

Today we will spend a day on safari in the **northern** sector of the magical Hluhluwe-Umfolozi Park. The park is famous for its highly successful white rhino conservation programme. The reserve is home to 84 species of game, including the 'Big Five', and an impressive 425 types of birds. Lunch at Hilltop Camp (or similar) included. After lunch we proceed driving through the park as we head back to our hotel in Durban. This evening will be at leisure.

*Included: guided transfer from St Lucia to the Hluhluwe safari park, entrance tickets to the park, lunch at a park camp, 4 star b&b accommodation (St Lucia).*

## **Day 6**

After a leisurely breakfast, our guide will be on hand to transport you to the Emdoneni cat rehabilitation tour. Be mesmerized by the beauty of the Caracal (Lynx), enchanted and astonished by the speed and agility of the Cheetah and delighted by the African Wildcat. View and photograph these amazing animals at the Emdoneni Cheetah Project. We offer daily educational tours, with feedings during the afternoon tour and an informative talk about the animals and the project by our experienced guides. After the tour we will return to St Lucia where the rest of the day will be at leisure.

## **Day 7**

After checking out from your St Lucia hotel, our guide will collect you in time for transfer to your onward flight from King Shaka International hotel.

*We recommend that guest are at the airport 2 hours prior to flight departure and that you allocate 3 hours travelling time from St Lucia hotels to the King Shaka International airport.*

**End of Tour**