



Discover South Africa

Discover South Africa through a rugby tour with England Rugby Travel. For great life experiences, friendships, memories and much more stretch your horizons on the ultimate rugby tour.



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TOUR SOUTH AFRICA

“The Rainbow Nation” steeped in history and culture and renowned for their love of sport. It is clear to see why South Africa has emerged as the premier touring destination for all ages.

From safari experiences trying to spot the ‘big five’ or a history lesson learning about Nelson Mandela’s incarceration on Robben Island, South Africa offers an experience not to be missed.

CAPE TOWN

The “Mother City of Africa” is a rare cultural gem and is regarded as one of the most beautiful regions in the world. The impressive presence of Table Mountain, flanked by the legendary Devil’s Peak and Signal Hill stand proudly above the city and its beautiful white sandy beaches. Brimming with educational excursions and enjoyable attractions Cape Town is a must when visiting South Africa.

Table Mountain

Enjoy a return ride up to the top of Table Mountain to experience the stunning 360 degree panoramic scenery of the city, its coastline and mountainous backdrop.

Township Tour

A township tour will showcase the local industry and community projects. Experience the vibrancy and spirit of the South African people. Discover how the biggest portion of Cape Town’s population are living. Learn how a community is being transformed and provided with modern schools, electricity, clean water and liveable homes.

JOHANNESBURG

South Africa’s largest city, better known as Jo-burg. Jo-burg is located in the eastern plateau area of South Africa known as the Highveld, it has excellent museums including the Mandela Family Museum in Soweto and the Apartheid Museum, as well as nearby

nature reserves.

Pilanesberg Game Reserve

Pilanesberg Game Reserve is perched on the eroded vestiges of an alkaline volcanic crater - one of only three such craters in the world. Covering some 55 000 hectares the reserve is home to in excess of 7 000 animals including Africa’s ‘Big 5’ as well as a variety of species such as the nocturnal hyena, cheetah, sable, giraffe, zebra, crocodile and hippo.

PRETORIA

Pretoria, the administrative capital of South Africa is amongst the three capital cities of the country. It is popularly known as the Jacaranda City because of several Jacaranda trees being planted along streets, gardens and parks. It is situated in the northern part of Gauteng Province 50km from Johannesburg.

Lesedi Cultural Village

A chance to discover the mystical cultures

and traditions of the people of Africa.

DURBAN

High up on the east coast, Durban is South Africa’s sub-tropical beach getaway. The city centre overlooks a long, golden beach that is probably the single most culturally diverse spot in Africa. It is home to South Africa’s only surfing museum, and is one of the most surf-friendly cities in the world.

UsHaka Marine World

Entertainment is non-stop, extending from the operations of Sea World, UsHaka Beach and Wet ‘n Wild. A fun fresh water world of slides and pools catering for the adrenaline junkie and those less adventurous.

PORT ELIZABETH

Port Elizabeth has wonderful beaches, good diving, excellent kitesurfing and windsurfing, and good surf. There are sailing trips from the harbour, as well as opportunities for whale watching.



Sport in South Africa

Since South Africa’s emergence from apartheid they have hosted the 1995 Rugby World Cup, the 2003 Cricket World Cup and the 2010 FIFA Football World Cup.

The famous embrace between Nelson Mandela wearing South Africa captain’s Francois Pienaar No.6 shirt after winning the 1995 Rugby World Cup on home turf was testament to how far they have come. A nation full of pride who will certainly provide tough opposition across the board.

Rugby is played from April to September.

Flight times (approximate)

London Heathrow Airport to Cape Town 11 hours
London Heathrow Airport to Johannesburg 10 hours

Currency Rand (ZAR)

Weather in South Africa

South Africa is famous for its sunshine. It’s a relatively dry country, with an average annual rainfall of about 464mm (less than half the world’s average).

While the Western Cape gets most of its rainfall in winter, the rest of the country is generally a summer-rainfall region. At the same time, temperatures in South Africa tend to be lower than in other countries at similar latitudes such as Australia, due mainly to greater elevation above sea level.

Summer November - January
Autumn February - April
Winter May - July
Spring August - October

Time Difference GMT +1 hours

Main Language(s) South Africa has eleven official languages of which English is an official language.

Visas

British and Irish citizens do not require a visa to travel to South Africa. However, you will need your passport to have minimum of 6 months validity after your departure date.



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TOUR SOUTH AFRICA - SAMPLE ITINERARY DAYS 1-8

Diverse, historical, beautiful, South Africa is a wonderful destination for a rugby tour. From stunning beaches to incredible wildlife, jaw-dropping natural scenery and incredible hospitality, you will be guaranteed a rugby tour to remember.



DAY 1 DEPARTURE
An England Rugby Travel representative will meet you at the airport to oversee check in for your flight to Johannesburg.

DAY 2 PRETORIA
On arrival in Johannesburg, you will transfer to your accommodation for a two night stay. After check in transfer to Constitution Hill for a tour that highlights South Africa's painful journey through Apartheid into democracy.

DAY 3 PRETORIA MATCH DAY ONE
After breakfast you will travel to the Lesedi Culture Village where you will discover the mystical cultures and traditions of the people of Africa. In the afternoon you will play your first fixture against local opposition and enjoy a post match function.

DAY 4 PRETORIA / DURBAN
Transfer to OR Tambo International airport for your flight to Durban. On arrival transfer to your accommodation for a three night stay and spend the rest of the day at leisure to explore the hive of activity based around the Durban beachfront.

DAY 5 DURBAN MATCH DAY TWO
After breakfast you will learn about the fascinating work the Natal Sharks Board carry out along the Durban coast line. This afternoon you will play your second fixture against local opposition and enjoy a post match function.

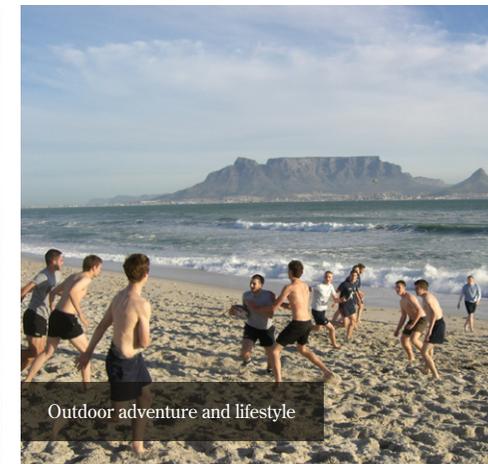
DAY 6 DURBAN
After breakfast transfer to UsHaka Marine world for a full day's excursion experiencing the operations of Sea World, uShaka Beach and Wet 'n Wild theme park. Evening at leisure.

DAY 7 DURBAN / PORT ELIZABETH
Transfer to Durban airport for your flight to Port Elizabeth. On arrival transfer to your accommodation for a three night stay. Port Elizabeth is known for its 40km sandy beach front, glorious weather and its calm seas in Algoa Bay that makes it perfect for water sports.

DAY 8 PORT ELIZABETH
After breakfast you have the day at leisure. Spend the morning at the Nelson Mandela museum, offering an inspirational look into the journey of the iconic leader's life, relax on the beautiful beaches of Port Elizabeth or visit Addo Elephant Park with its wide variety of game viewing, outdoor adventure, accommodation and cultural experiences.



Durban's golden beaches



Outdoor adventure and lifestyle



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DAY 9 **PORT ELIZABETH MATCH DAY THREE**
 Play your third fixture against local opposition and enjoy a post match function.

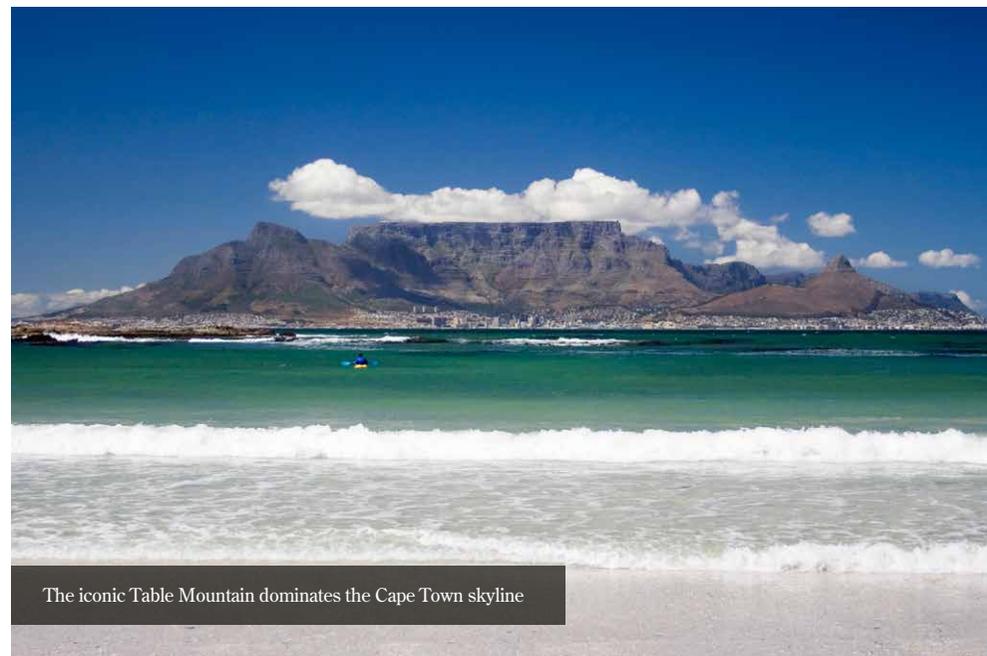
DAY 10 **PORT ELIZABETH / GARDEN ROUTE**
 Transfer to the Garden Route and check in to your accommodation for a one night stay. This afternoon you will enjoy a cheetah walk and a game drive where you will have the chance to see black rhino, elephants, lions, giraffes and many more.

DAY 11 **GARDEN ROUTE / CAPE TOWN**
 Enjoy an early morning game drive and another chance to see the 'Big Five'. After breakfast you will transfer to Cape Town. On arrival check in to your accommodation for a four night stay.

DAY 12 **CAPE TOWN**
 This morning sees you take a cable car ride up Table Mountain with lunch at the summit. After taking in the breathtaking views and stunning scenery, transfer to the V&A Waterfront to catch a ferry to Robben Island, the infamous prison where Nelson Mandela was incarcerated.

DAY 13 **CAPE TOWN MATCH DAY FOUR**
 After breakfast visit a Township for an insightful, eye-opening guided tour and have lunch. This afternoon you will play your fourth and final game of the tour and enjoy a post match function.

DAY 14 **CAPE TOWN**
 Today you will embark on a full day's Cape Point excursion. You will cruise from Hout Bay to Seal Island, view the Cape Fur Seals and visit the African penguin colony at Boulders Beach.



The iconic Table Mountain dominates the Cape Town skyline

DAY 15 **CAPE TOWN / UK**
 Transfer to Cape Town airport for your return flight to the UK.



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