

# South Africa

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*Safari in South Africa remains a top tourist attraction*

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**Cape Town is a great base from which to explore the stunning surrounds in the rest of the province. Whether you want to go on safari, visit the Cape Winelands, or just take in the amazing scenery the Western Cape has to offer, there's plenty to see and experience no matter your interests. Here are our four favourite excursions from Cape Town, but many more are available!**

## **CAPE OF GOOD HOPE & CAPE POINT**

Cape Point has got to be one of the world's most beautiful promontories, with its cliffs rising high above the waves that crash at its base. It is also the place of the famous Cape of Good Hope. The scenery from here is truly magical, with endless views of the ocean.

You'll also pass Simon's Town, where you can get up close to the African penguin colony at Boulders Beach and take a dip with the creatures.

**Distance:** 1h from Cape Town

**Highlights:** See the penguins, stunning scenery, beaches.

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Cape Point. ©Alain Proust/iAfrika Photos





## THE WHALE ROUTE

The Whale Route takes in some spectacular scenery and some really nice little towns. It's best to go during whale season, between June and November. Hermanus is the go-to place to see whales. On the way there, stop over at the southernmost point of Africa, Cape Agulhas, where there are beautiful coastal rockpools and a brilliant sea view.

*Distance:* 2 h from Cape Town

*Highlights:* The southernmost tip of Africa, whale watching, seafood.

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## THE KAROO

The Karoo starts just an hour away from Cape Town and sprawls across the southern half of the country. It's a semi-arid region, in stark contrast to the mountains and forests of the Cape. Here you'll find quirky little towns connected by long, straight roads that stretch to the horizon over scrubland. A highlight of the Karoo area is Aquila Private Game Reserve, the only place near Cape Town where you can go on safari.

*Distance:* 1-6 h

*Highlights:* See the big five, explore historic towns

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## WINELANDS

One of Western Cape's biggest attractions is its fine wine. There are plenty of options, including the Stellenbosch Wine Route, Helderberg Wine Route, The Durbanville Wine Route and the Constantia Wine Route, only 20 minutes from the city. Our favourite way to experience the Winelands is aboard the Franschhoek Wine Tram, which transports you between some of the Franschhoek area's finest wine estates.

*Distance:* 1 hour from Cape Town

*Highlights:* Wine, wine, wine!

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## FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN SOUTH AFRICA – FEBRUARY 2018



### DESIGN INDABA FESTIVAL

**When:** 21-24 February 2018

**Where:** Cape Town

**More information:** [www.designindaba.com/festival/](http://www.designindaba.com/festival/)

It's more than a conference; it's more than a music festival. Taking place at the Artscape Theatre Centre in Cape Town, the Festival encompasses the world-renowned Design Indaba Conference, Nightscape, Film Fest and flagship exhibits: Emerging Creatives and Most Beautiful Object in South Africa.



### STELLENBOSCH WINE FESTIVAL

**When:** 23-25 February 2018

**Where:** Stellenbosch

**More information:** [www.stellenboschwinefestival.co.za](http://www.stellenboschwinefestival.co.za)

Savour the Stellenbosch lifestyle during the 2018 Stellenbosch Wine Festival presented by Pick n Pay from 23-25 February at Coetzenburg Sports Grounds. Sample some of the best wines in the country, indulge in gourmet food offerings by top restaurants, enjoy live music and take part in fun outdoor activities in picturesque surroundings..



### CLARENS BEER FESTIVAL

**When:** 23-24 February 2018

**Where:** Clarens

**More information:** [www.clarencraftbeerfest.com/](http://www.clarencraftbeerfest.com/)

Nestled in the foothills of the Majestic Maluti Mountains, Clarens Festival is the home of the country's oldest celebration of craft brew. Discover that Life and Beer are very similar and just chill out for the best results. ...



### MORE EVENTS

- ❖ Berry Festival (3-4 Feb ) [www.berryfestival.co.za](http://www.berryfestival.co.za)
- ❖ Love Rosendal Festival (10-11 Feb) [www.rosendalinfo.co.za](http://www.rosendalinfo.co.za)
- ❖ Discovery Triathlon World Cup Cape Town (11 Feb) [www.triathlon.capetown](http://www.triathlon.capetown)
- ❖ The Herald Cycle Tour (18-25 Feb) [www.heralcycletour.co.za](http://www.heralcycletour.co.za)

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