

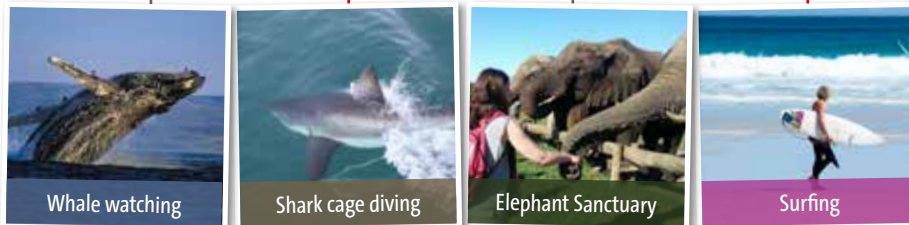
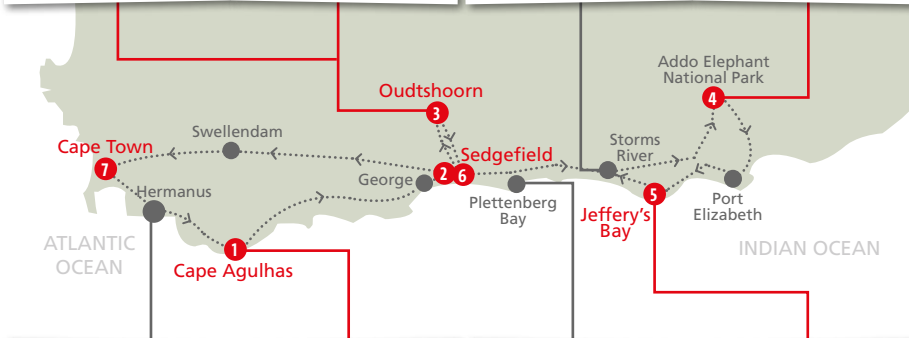
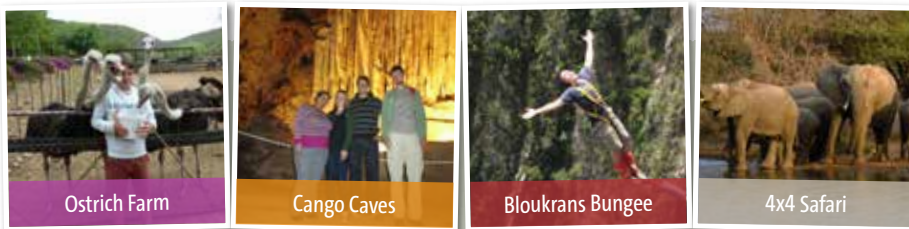


Travelling Classroom

Learn English on a journey through South Africa

EUR 950 per person

7-day Garden Route Tour



English Level

Pre-intermediate A2 +

Class Size

5-8

Departures

Adults: 09 Jan, 13 Mar, 8 May, 10 Jul, 11 Sep, 13 Nov 2017

Young Learners: 10 Jul 2017

Package includes:

- ✓ 7 x formal 60-minute lessons including Travelling Classroom course outline and materials
- ✓ Dormitory accommodation in quality budget establishments (single supplement available on request)
- ✓ Bedding
- ✓ Breakfast, dinner and activities as stated on the itinerary plus your English teacher always at hand

Package does not include:

- x Lunch
- x Laundry
- x Towels
- x Drinks
- x Optional activities
- x Pre- or post-trip accommodation



Day 1: Overberg, Whale Route & Cape Agulhas

Departing Cape Town at 08:30 am, our exciting journey begins today as we join the world famous whale route in Gordon's Bay for a stunning drive along the picturesque R44 mountain pass overlooking False Bay to the vibrant coastal town of Hermanus. After an opportunity to take some photographs and a picnic lunch on the seafront, we continue to Birkenhead Brewery to sample some tasty, local beers before descending to the bottom of Africa, literally, at Cape Agulhas. This is the southernmost point of the continent.

After a visit to the lookout point, we make our way to the harbour where there is an option to embark on an exciting ski-boat cruise to search for dolphin and whales during season (June to November). After the cruise, we take a scenic walk back to our accommodation along "Die Plaat", the longest beach in the Southern Hemisphere. This day is designed to be a relaxing one for you to get to know your fellow travellers, to get used to travelling in the tour vehicle and to settle into the comfortable routine of life on tour.

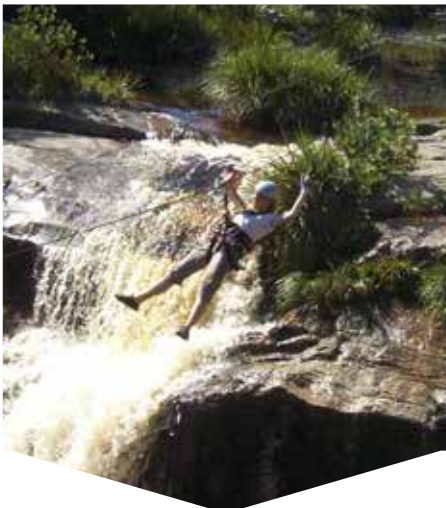
Included in Price	Breakfast & Dinner
Accommodation	Shared washing facilities, bar, internet access & swimming pool
Route	Cape Town to Struisbaai (260km)
Travel time	4hrs
Tuition	1 x 60 minute English lesson
Included	Beer/wine tasting at Birkenhead Brewery (Not included for Young Learners)
Optional Activities (available at extra cost)	Shark cage diving (Approximately EUR160) This activity must be booked at least six days in advance. For this activity, you will be picked up earlier than the rest of the group and will meet the group around lunchtime after the activity has been completed.

Day 2: Cape Agulhas to Sedgefield

Canoeing & Hike

After a relaxing breakfast we start driving inland again, this time towards the famed Garden Route! Our first stop is a beautiful canoe trip down one of the many tranquil rivers in the area, followed by a short hike to the stunning waterfalls there. Finish off the day with some beach time down at Myoli Beach.

Included in Price	Breakfast & Dinner
Accommodation	Backpacker dorm: Sedgefield
Facilities	Shared washing facilities, swimming pool, entertainment area
Route	Struisbaai to Sedgefield (340 km)
Travel time	5hrs
Tuition	1 x 60 minute English lesson
Included	Canoe trip & hike to waterfall



Day 3: Oudtshoorn day trip

Little Karoo, Cango Caves, Ostrich Farm, Wildlife Rehabilitation Ranch

We begin the day with a drive over the picturesque Outeniqua mountain range into the semi-desert region of the Klein Karoo and Oudtshoorn. Known as the ostrich capital of the world, Oudtshoorn is situated in a beautiful valley between the Outeniqua and Swartberg Mountains, and offers the wildlife and adventure enthusiast loads to choose from!

The Cango Caves will be the first stop and here we'll embark on a 1-hour guided tour of the cave system to view its massive caverns and a wonderland of stalactite and stalagmite formations, millions of years old. Cango Caves is a world heritage site and one of the great wonders of the natural world. If you don't mind trying to squeeze through some smaller gaps then you are also welcome to take the 1.5 hour adventure tour! Next is an option to view ostriches on a working ostrich farm or go on a guided tour of the Cango Endangered Wildlife Ranch for an opportunity to pet cheetah, cage dive with crocodiles and view many rare and endangered animal species.

Included in Price	Breakfast & Dinner
Accommodation	Backpacker dorm: Sedgfield
Facilities	Shared washing facilities, swimming pool, entertainment area
Route	Sedgfield to Oudtshoorn day trip (190 km)
Travel time	3hrs
Tuition	1 x 60 minute English lesson
Included	Standard or adventure guided tour of Cango Caves, Cango Endangered Wildlife ranch
Optional Activities (available at extra cost)	Tour of a working Ostrich farm (approximately EUR10)

Day 4: Sedgfield to Addo

Tsitsikamma National Park, Bloukrans Bungee, Sundays River Valley

This morning you have the opportunity to explore the Tsitsikamma National Park, either via a hike across the suspension bridge at Storms River Mouth or by blackwater tubing. Tubing is a four hour fun adventure, filled with splashing, swimming, rock jumping, kloofing and hiking (seasonal). The National Park, declared in 1964, encompasses a marine reserve made up of 80km of coastline and offers magnificent scenery. About 30% of the park is covered in fynbos, scattered amongst the forest vegetation, boasting a wide variety of beautiful flowers, including proteas and heath. Many species of sea birds are present.

In the afternoon we drive to the highest road bridge in Africa at Bloukrans Bridge. At a height of 216m this is also the site of the highest bungee jump in the world! For those wishing to take the leap, this is your opportunity!

Afterwards we make our way inland towards Addo and our accommodation for the night in the Sundays River Valley. Set in a wild and scenic location on the banks of the Sundays River, we take the time to relax under the African sun as well as explore the river by canoe. Around the campfire tonight, this is what you've come to experience... Wild Africa at her enigmatic best.

Included in Price	Breakfast & Dinner
Accommodation	Backpacker dorm: Avoca River Cabins
Facilities	Shared washing facilities, swimming, canoeing (weather dependent)
Route	Sedgfield to Sundays River Valley (320 km)
Travel time	5hrs
Tuition	1 x 60 minute English lesson
Included	Canoeing on Sundays River (when water levels allow), entrance to Tsitsikamma National Park
Optional Activities (available at extra cost)	Tsitsikamma Blackwater Tubing (approximately EUR70), Bloukrans Bungee Jump (approximately EUR70), Bloukrans Bridge Walking Tour (approximately EUR10)



Day 5: Addo National Park to Jeffrey's Bay

Safari, Port Elizabeth, Jeffrey's Bay

Up early this morning, we begin our Addo Park Safari along a network of winding roads, stopping regularly for photographs and information on the animals we encounter along the way. Proclaimed a National Park in 1931, this malaria free, 145 000 hectare park extends all the way down to the Indian Ocean and is home to the densest African Elephant population on earth, totalling over 500 elephants. On our game drive we'll also disembark from our vehicle at the main lookout point for a spectacular view over the evergreen wilderness that is Addo. After our game drive we'll take lunch at the park restaurant before we head for the pristine beaches of Jeffrey's Bay!

Renowned the world over as one of the best surfing waves on the planet, we'll take time out to view the waves at "Supertubes" before exploring the town and visiting the popular surf wear factory shops. You have a chance to rent a board and experience the waves for yourself or have a surfing lesson.



Included in Price	Breakfast & Dinner
Accommodation	Backpacker dorm: Island Vibe J-Bay
Facilities	Shared washing facilities, bar, restaurant, internet
Route	Sundays River Valley to Jeffrey's Bay (200km)
Travel time	3hrs
Tuition	1 x 60 minute English lesson
Included	Entrance fee and 3-hour guided game drive (in open 4x4 vehicle) in Addo National Park
Optional Activities (available at extra cost)	Surfboard & wetsuit rental, Surfing lessons (approximately EUR25)



Day 6: Jeffrey's Bay to Sedgefield

The Craggs Elephant Sanctuary & Monkeyland, Birds of Eden, Knysna

This morning we begin our relaxing journey back to Cape Town with our first stop for the day at the Craggs Orphaned Elephant Sanctuary for a truly wonderful close encounter experience. Here you have an opportunity to walk and feed an African elephant while receiving instruction from a knowledgeable African guide. If you have had enough of elephants after Addo, you have the option of exploring Monkeyland, a sanctuary with free roaming monkeys OR Birds of Eden, a bird lover's paradise!

Next we head on to the town of Knysna, undoubtedly one of South Africa's most beautiful towns, for a stop at the Knysna Heads and a quick walk about town before heading to Sedgefield and Myoli beach where we spend the night.



Included in Price	Breakfast & Dinner
Accommodation	Backpacker dorm: Sedgefield
Facilities	Shared washing facilities, swimming pool, entertainment area
Route	Jeffery's Bay to Sedgefield (220km)
Travel time	2hrs
Tuition	1 x 60 minute English lesson
Included	Knysna Heads visit
Optional Activities (available at extra cost)	Elephant Sanctuary (approximately EUR45), Monkeyland (approximately EUR18), Birds of Eden (approximately EUR18)



Day 7: Sedgefield to Cape Town

Return to Cape Town via Sir Lowry's Pass

After breakfast overlooking the ocean in Sedgefield, we start our journey back to Cape Town. We visit an Aloe factory in Albertinia and enjoy a wonderful scenic drive via Swellendam and Sir Lowry's Pass. We arrive in Cape Town early Sunday afternoon.

Included in Price	Breakfast
Route	Sedgefield to Cape Town (470km)
Travel time	5-6hrs
Tuition	1 x 60 minute English lesson

Additional Information

Food and Drinks

- **Breakfast:** Breakfast is served each morning and consists of a varying combination of continental and cooked. Tea, coffee and fruit juice are always available.
- **Lunch:** Take-away lunches are the norm. These are for your own account.
- **Dinner:** Your evening meals are tastefully prepared by your tour leader and the various accommodation establishments. Vegetarian options are available.

Note: You will be expected to purchase all of your own refreshments on tour, these are readily available at reasonable prices. Please be aware of dehydration during the summer months and drink plenty of water - the tap water is very good on the Cape to Addo Route. You will probably not be accustomed to African conditions and this can affect you severely if ignored.

Accommodation and Facilities

We have a long standing relationship with some of South Africa's top backpacker lodges. Known for their flair, all our stops provide unique, clean and professional hospitality with excellent bathroom facilities, a pool, a bar and internet facilities. All bedding is provided.

Our advertised price includes spacious and comfortable bed-and-breakfast dormitory accommodation.

Your English

Your English teacher is an experienced instructor who has a passion for English and our country. During the trip you will receive a total of 7 lessons. It may be that you will have more lessons on some days than on others; this will depend on the daily travel situation and factors like the weather. There might be some days when no lessons will take place. Outside the formal lesson scenario, your teacher will be available for conversation, to answer your questions and help you with the tasks you have to complete. We want you to see our beautiful country and have fun while you are working on your English.

Your Tour Leader

Your tour leader is there to make sure that you have an unforgettable trip. All tours run are led and driven by experienced guides.

If there is anything that is upsetting you whilst on tour, you need to approach your tour leader. Dealing with any problems that may arise whilst on tour will prevent them from developing into something more problematic.

What to Bring Along

We request that you pay particular attention to the following guidelines. We suggest your luggage is restricted to 15 kilograms (so you can comfortably carry it) and we recommend that you bring inexpensive luggage, preferably a backpack. Don't forget to allow for your English material; you will need a file/folder, your book(s), pens and paper.

A day bag or backpack (per person) to carry money, travel documents, water and camera equipment is a must, as is a waist pouch or money belt.

Clothing & Personal Effects

Most people make the mistake of taking along too much clothing. Bring along comfortable, casual and semi-casual, "wash & wear" clothes. There will be opportunities to wash clothing along the way. The list below is a guideline to what you should include when packing.

- Casual trousers
- Shorts
- Shirts/T-shirts (any combination)
- Fleece/pullover for the cool evenings
- Wind-breaker/waterproof jacket
- Pair of walking/running shoes
- Sandals/reef shoes
- Underwear and socks
- Swimming costume
- Sunglasses & sun hat
- Towel
- Tissues or disposable moist tissues
- Bath soap
- Toothbrush/toothpaste
- Shampoo & hair conditioner
- Deodorant
- Comb/hair brush
- Shaving equipment
- Suntan lotion/sun block
- Lip balm

Our Vehicles

We use air-conditioned vehicles equipped with headrests and safety belts for a safe, comfortable ride with music.

There is ample space inside the vehicle to store your personal belongings and a luggage section for your baggage.

Be Flexible

Your tour leader is trained not only to run an informative, fun and adventurous tour, but also to take control when things don't run smoothly. Please remember that this is Africa after all and that the itinerary stated has to be flexible and will depend on local conditions. Travelling in Africa is sometimes unpredictable and by the very nature of travelling here, there are unforeseen challenges to overcome and passengers should have a taste for adventure. Problems with road conditions, bad weather and tyre changes can delay and change the schedule of the tour. In the event of any incidence regarding conditions that may affect safety, security, and the well being of the tour participants, the decision of the tour leader will be final.

Conservation and Eco-tourism

Most countries are members of CITES (Convention of International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora). Please do NOT purchase products made from ivory and skins. The ultimate objective of eco-tourism is for clients to have a pleasant and enriching experience of nature, and at the same time, cause the least possible disturbance to ecosystems. Your tour leader has strict environmental policies to adhere to, which we endeavour to instil in all of our passengers. Respect for local people, fellow travellers and the places we visit are expected. Consider the environment at all times and be considerate in your approach to your travels.

Note: Standard LAL Language Centres South Africa (Pty) Ltd Terms and Conditions apply. LAL Language Centres South Africa reserves the right to change the itinerary and/or the daily allotment of lessons in accordance with local seasonal and weather conditions, or any other local conditions which could have an impact on the trip, ensuring at all times that we meet the set number of 7 x 60-minute lessons per trip. LAL Language Centres South Africa reserves the right to cancel any trip in the unlikely event of not achieving the required minimum number of student passengers.