

Global Linkages

SOUTH AFRICA 2024

YOUR JOURNEY AT-A-GLANCE

DAY 1 | WED, FEB 14

Depart EWR/Johannesburg via United Airlines

DAY 2 | THURS, FEB 15

Arrive Johannesburg, South Africa

- Check-in at DaVinci Hotel
- Welcome Dinner at Homebaze African Cuisine

DAY 3 | FRI, FEB 16

Lesedi Cultural Village

DAY 4 | SAT, FEB 17

Cultural Soweto Tour

- Apartheid Museum
- · Hector Pieterson Museum
- Elias Motsoaledi Informal Settlement
- Mandela House

DAY 5 | SUN, FEB 18

Optional Activities Day

- Pilanesburg Game Safari
- Mangwanani African Day Spa

DAY 6 | MON, FEB 19

- Tour of Constitution Hill
- 44 Stanley
- Orange Farm Day Care Centre
- Farewell to Johannesburg "Braai!" at Soweto Brewing Company

DAY 7 | TUES. FEB 20

- · Check out DaVinci Hotel
- Flight from JHB to CPT
- Check in at the Cullinan Hotel

- Welcome Reception
- Explore V & A Waterfront

DAY 8 | WED, FEB 21

Cape Town City Tour

- The BoKaap
- · District Six Museum
- Company Gardens
- Table Mountain
- Dinner at The Bungalow (Optional)

DAY 9 | THURS, FEB 22

Freedom Tour

- Robben Island
- Lunch at Lelapa Restaurant
- Desmond & Leah Tutu Legacy Foundation

DAY 10 | FRI, FEB 23

- Langa Quarter Noire Market
- · Cape Town International Jazz Festival

DAY 11 | SAT, FEB 24

- Cape Town Markets
- Cape Town International Jazz Festival

DAY 12 | SUN, FEB 25

Cape Peninsula Tour

- Chapman's Peak Drive
- Cape of Good Hope
- Black Marlin Restaurant
- Boulders Beach

DAY 13 | MON, FEB 26

- Sip With Soul Tour
- Farewell Dinner at GOLD Restaurant

DAY 14 | TUES, FEB 27

- Check out Cullinan Hotel
- Depart Cape Town for USA/EWR

DAY 15 | WED, FEB 28

Arrival in USA/EWR

DAY 1: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

- Depart US- Johannesburg- United Airlines
- Add-On Flights from Connecting Cities will be Available

DAY 2: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

- · Arrival in Johannesburg, South Africa, O.R. Tambo International Airport
- · Check in at DaVinci Hotel
- Welcome Dinner: Homebaze African Cuisine, Sandton

DaVinci Hotel

Situated in the heart of Johannesburg, DaVinci is within walking distance of Sandton Convention Centre and Sandton City. Also nearby are Nelson Mandela Square and the Johannesburg Stock Exchange. DaVinci Hotel has a full-service spa, an outdoor pool, and a health club. Wireless Internet access is complimentary in public areas and in rooms. There is a business center on site. This spa hotel offers a bar/lounge and laundry facilities.





Homebaze African Cuisine Restaurant

Hombaze African Cuisine, a Nigerian-owned restaurant in South Africa, has emerged among the top 200 in the country and is winner of the prestigious Restaurants Association of South Africa Award. Located in Sandton Mall and touted as the best authentic African cuisine in Johannesburg, Homebaze offers a unique dining experience and great ambiance, and is one of the only African restaurants that serves meals from the different regions of the continent.





DAY 3: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

- Breakfast at Hotel (Included at all hotels)
- Afternoon departure for Lesedi Cultural Village

Lesedi Cultural Village

Lesedi Cultural Village, located in Lanseira, Gauteng has been created to give visitors a view of traditional life by five ethnic groups in South Africa: the Zulus, Xhosas, Basothos, Ndebeles and Pedis. You will enjoy a guided tour through each of the five homesteads where you will explore and learn about each culture. The village has an expansive craft market, where you will have an opportunity to explore and shop beaded items made on site, wood carvings and other artwork. The decorative walls and courtyard provide an authentic environment in the midst of a natural setting. The experience ends with a Traditional Dance Boma for the Giant Ingoma with songs and dances from all five villages. A traditional South African dinner is served in the Nyama Choma Restaurant with delicacies from across the country.









DAY 4: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

- · Breakfast at hotel
- Apartheid Museum
- Soweto Tour:
 - Hector Pieterson Museum
 - Elias Motsoaledi Informal Settlement
 - Tour of Nelson and Winnie Mandela's Home

Apartheid Museum

The Apartheid Museum opened in 2001, and is the world's pre-eminent museum on 20th century South Africa, at the heart of which is the apartheid story. The museum — the first of its kind — illustrates the rise and fall of apartheid. An architectural consortium, comprising several leading architectural firms, conceptualised the design of the building on a seven-hectare stand. The museum is a superb example of design, space and landscape offering the international community a unique South African experience.



Tour of Soweto

Soweto is the most populous black urban residential area in the country. It was home to Nelson Mandela for many years and is now the centre of cultural development and black empowerment. In Soweto we have Freedom Square, which is where The Freedom Charter was discussed and signed in 1956, and the location of Hector Pieterson Memorial Square, which is named for the young schoolboy who was the first to die from gunshots during the June 1976 uprising.

HECTOR PIETERSON MUSEUM

Located in Orlando West, Soweto; two blocks from where Hector Pieterson was shot and killed on June 16, 1976. The museum is named in his honor and covers the events of the Anti-Apartheid Soweto Uprising, where more than 170 protesting school children were killed. The museum features films. newspapers, personal accounts and photos, commemorating all of those who marched through Soweto and were shot at by police. June 16th is now known as Youth Day and is a public holiday in South Africa.







ELIAS MOTSOALEDI INFORMAL SETTLEMENT

It is named for Elias Motsaledi, a South African anti-apartheid activisit and one of the eight men sentenced to life imprisonment at the 1963 Rivonia Trial. This Informal Settlement is one of Global Linkages' community partners. We will share donated goods with the residents of this Soweto community.



TOUR HOME OF NELSON & WINNIE MANDELA

Mandela House is the house in Orlando West, Soweto that former South African president Nelson Mandela lived in from 1946 to 1962. It is located at number 8115, at the corner of Vilakazi and Ngakane Streets, a short distance up the road from the home of Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu. On September 1, 1997, Mandela donated the house to the Soweto Heritage Trust (of which he is the founder) to run as a museum. It was declared a National Heritage Site in 1999.



DAY 5: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

- Breakfast at hotel
- Optional activities:
 - Pilanesberg Game Safari
 - · Mangwanani African Day Spa

Pilanesburg Game Safari

Located in northwest province of South Africa, west of Pretoria, Pilanesburg Game Park borders the Sun City entertainment complex. The park was originally owned by three local tribes and is now administered by the Northwest Parks and Tourism Board. The area is fringed by three concentric ridges or rings of hills. This formation rises from the surrounding plains and is the park's primary geological feature called the Pilanesberg Alkaline Ring Complex. Safari participants will see some of the Big Five, with the opportunity to take many pictures. Lunch will be at Bakubung Game Reserve, located at Pilanesburg.



Mangwanani African Day Spa

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Mangwanani is nestled in the Valley of the Hennops River, in the Schureveberg Mountain range. It is the original African Day Spa. Experience the appealing combination of true African nurturing traditions and a setting of serene ambience, offering you the best of both worlds as nature and culture merge right in the middle of the African bush. Mangwanani has won the best spa in South Africa for several years. You will leave de-stressed from its decadent revitalization spa treatments.



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DAY 6: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19

- Breakfast at hotel
- Tour of Constitution Hill
- 44 Stanley for shopping and lunch
- Farewell to Johannesburg "Braai!" at Soweto Brewing Company

Constitution Hill

Nowhere can the story of South Africa's turbulent past and its extraordinary transition to democracy be told better than at Constitution Hill. This national heritage site has witnessed a century of South Africa's history. From rebellious British soldiers who fought with the Boers at the turn of the century, to the youths caught up in the Soweto Uprising, to the dawn of democracy and the building of South Africa's new Constitutional Court, Constitution Hill has witnessed it all. Constitution Hill depicts the injustices of South Africa's past while observing the process by which its freedom was won and is now protected.





44 Stanley

44 Stanley is a former industrial complex from the 1930s that has been transformed into a green oasis or garden and tree-filled courtyards that feature independent boutiques, interesting shops and chic restaurants.





South African Braai! At the Soweto Brewing Company

Braais are synonymous with having fun in South Africa with their unique grilled food and festivities. Sample the food along with good South African beers, as we close out our time in Johannesburg.

The **Soweto Brewing Company** is located in Soweto, the historical and emotional center of Johannesburg. It was founded in 2012 and created with the vision of bringing the success of local brewing into a township environment and to create a world-class beer that is truly Sowetan.



DAY 7: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

- · Breakfast at hotel
- Check out at DaVinci Hotel
- Afternoon flight to Cape Town
- · Check in at the Cullinan Hotel
 - Welcome Reception
- Explore Victoria & Alfred Waterfront and enjoy dinner at one of its many restaurants (On Own Account)

The Cullinan Hotel

The Cullinan is a 4-star hotel within walking distance of the vibrant Victoria and Alfred Waterfront as well as the Cape Town commercial business district. It is the only Cape Town hotel that offers views of all of the city's main attractions: Table Mountain, the harbour and ocean, the V & A Waterfront and the city skyline.





Victoria & Alfred (V&A) Waterfront

Situated at the foot of Table Mountain, a stone's throw from the Cape Town Stadium and in the heart of Cape Town's working harbor, the V & Damp; A Waterfront offers an abundance of unforgettable experiences. Indoor shopping and entertainment venues seamlessly merge with ocean vistas and mountain views; while fresh sea breeze and warm African sun add zest to a cosmopolitan, vibrant atmosphere. More than 80 restaurants bring a fusion of international food, from rustic alfresco fish and chips to starched table-cloth cuisine.



DAY 8: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

- Breakfast at hotel
- Cape Town City Tour:
 - · The Bo-Kaap
 - District Six Museum
 - Lunch in Bo-Kaap (Included)
 - · Company Gardens
 - Table Mountain (weather permitting)
- Dinner at The Bungalow (Optional On Own Account)



Cape Town

Cape Town is South Africa's oldest city. It serves as the country's legislative capital and is the country's second-largest city (after Johannesburg). Cape Town is known for its harbor, its natural setting in the Cape Floristic Region, and for landmarks such as Table Mountain and Cape Point. In 2014, Cape Town was named the best place in the world to visit by The New York Times (and similarly by The Daily Telegraph in 2016). Cape Town is steeped in a rich history and is a cultural melting pot with its diverse and vibrant character being derived from Khoisan and other African tribes from the North, and Indonesian, French, Dutch, British, and German settlers.







The Bo-Kaap

Situated at the foot of Cape Town's Signal Hill, on the fringe of the city centre, and formerly known as the Malay Quarter, The Bo-Kaap's origins date back to the 1760s when numerous "huurhuisjes" (rental houses) were built and leased to slaves. These people were known as Cape Malays, and were brought from Malaysia, Indonesia and the rest of Africa to work in the Cape. To this day, the houses of The Bo-Kaap are a mix of Cape Dutch and Georgian architecture, in distinctive multi-colored rows on steeply cobbled roads. The choice of color is said to be attributed to the fact that while on lease, all the houses had to be white. When this rule was eventually lifted, and the slaves were allowed to buy the properties, all the houses were painted bright colors by their owners as an expression of their freedom. South Africa's first Muslim Mosque -- the Auwal Mosque - is located in The Bo-Kaap; and the oldest building in The Bo-Kaap is the Bo-Kaap Museum, and is the best place to discover the history of the area and to get a glimpse into the life of a typical Malay family.





District Six

The Sixth Municipal District of Cape Town was established in 1867 as a mixed community of freed slaves, merchants, artisans, laborers and immigrants, District Six was a vibrant centre with close links to the city and the port. However, by the beginning of the twentieth century, the history of removals and marginalization had begun. The first community members to be 'resettled' were black South Africans, forcibly displaced from the District in 1968. During the 1970s, over 60,000 District Six inhabitants were forcibly removed by the Apartheid regime.







Company Gardens

The Company Gardens is the oldest garden in South Africa, as well as a park and heritage site located in central Cape Town. The garden was originally created in the 1650s by the region's first European settlers and provided fertile ground on which to grow fresh produce to replenish ships rounding the Cape. It is watered from the Molteno Dam, which uses water from the springs on the lower slopes of Table Mountain. While the Company Garden was mainly used to produce vegetables before 1869, during the 17th century the garden was made famous by various writers, claiming that visitors who had seen the most celebrated gardens of Europe and India were agreed that nowhere else in the world was so great a variety of trees and shrubs of vegetables and flowers.



Table Mountain

Table Mountain is a sandstone plateau rising above the Cape Flats. The top is approximately 3km wide, and its highest point, Maclears Beacon, rises to 1085m. Over the centuries it has become one of South Africa's most famous landmarks. The steep cliffs and rocky outcrops of the mountain are home to a number of plants and animals. There are approximately 1470 species of plants on the mountain—more than the entire British Isles! Complimenting this vast array of flora is a stunning range of fauna, some, like the Table Mountain Ghost Frog, being found in no other place in the world.





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The Bungalow

Cape Town's most sought-after location that plays host to some of the finest sunsets in the world, The Bungalow is perfectly situated in the heart of Clifton, with uninterrupted views of the Atlantic Ocean and the Twelve Apostles mountain range. This beach club compound doubles as a sunset lounge bar and an all day dining room, offering a sushi bar, grilled meats, seafoods and salads and your favorite cocktail.

DAY 9: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22

- · Breakfast at hotel
- Freedom Tour:
 - Robben Island
 - Lunch at Lelapa Restaurant (Included)
 - Desmond & Leah Tutu Legacy Foundation

Robben Island

For nearly 400 years, Robben Island, 12 kilometres from Cape Town, was a place of banishment, exile, isolation and imprisonment. It was here that rulers sent those they regarded as political troublemakers, social outcasts and the unwanted of society. During the apartheid years Robben Island became internationally known for its institutional brutality.







Lelapa Restaurant

Lelapa is one of Langa's big surprises. The restaurant is a place where tourists from all over the world go for lunch or dinner. If you are seeking a taste of township life, visit Lelapa in Langa, Cape Town and experience a vibrant environment while enjoying a wide range of township cuisine and listening to Lelapa's in-house marimba band.



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Desmond and Leah Tutu Legacy Foundation

Foundation represents one of the world's most iconic leaders and his wife, working to ensure that their uncompromising bravery is celebrated, communicated and curated. To celebrate and promote the Tutu's lives, heritage and values, the Foundation provides research and development, archives, exhibits and curated events and programs. The main focus of its work is supported by three strategic pillars: 1) Facilitate research and scholarship on leadership for social change rooted in Archbishop Tutu's principles; 2) Develop and implement leadership programs based on the Archbishop's values; and 3) Support inspiring young leaders towards social change.

DAY 10: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

- Breakfast at hotel
- Cape Town International Jazz Festival
- · Langa Quarter Noire Market

Cape Town International Jazz Festival

The Cape Town International Jazz Festival is known in the jazz world as one of the most important and influential jazz productions. The International Festival is Africa's biggest musical event. As an international event, it hosts famous local and international artists and ensembles and attracts a large audience of jazz enthusiasts every year.



Langa Quarter Noire Market

Langa is Cape Town's oldest township, established in 1923. It is one of the many areas that was established prior to the apartheid era designated for Black Africans. The name Langa means "sun" in the Xhosa language, but the name of the township is actually derived from the name Langalibalele – a famous chief who was imprisoned on Robben Island for rebelling against the government. Langa Quarter is a lively market where you can find traditional African crafts and foods.



DAY 11: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

- Breakfast at hotel
- Visit the Cape Town Markets:
 - Oranjezicht City Farm Market
 - Biscuit Mill
 - Woodstock
 - HoutBay
- Cape Town International Jazz Festival Day 2









DAY 12: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

- Breakfast at hotel
 - Cape Peninsula Tour:
 - Chapman's Peak Drive
 - · Cape of Good Hope
 - Lunch at Black Marlin Restaurant (Included)
 - Boulders Beach
- Dinner (On Own Account)







Chapman's Peak Drive

Chapman's Peak Drive on the Atlantic Coast between Hout Bay and Noordhoek in the Cape Peninsula is one of the most spectacular marine drives in the world. On one side you have a panoramic view of the Atlantic Ocean and on the other the Western Mountains of Cape Peninsula. The road is located in South Africa's Western Cape province is 9 km long with over 100 curves.



Cape Peninsula

The Cape Peninsula National Park is a generally mountainous peninsula that juts out into the Atlantic Ocean at the south western end of the African continent. At the southern end of the peninsula are Cape Point and the Cape of Good. The reserve is home to baboons, eland, ostrich, and bontebok, and has a huge number of endemic floral species crammed into a small area.



Black Marlin Restaurant

Nestled unobtrusively on one of the most scenic coastlines in the Cape, you will find Black Marlin Restaurant. Established as a restaurant in the mid 1960s, the Black Marlin has earned a reputation for its stunning seafood, varied wine list and incredible views. This historical site—once a whaling station—ensures the perfect setting for an idyllic lunch or evening experience.



Boulders Beach; Meet the Penguins!

Just around the corner from the seaside village of Simons Town, turn left off main road to visit the famous colony of African Penguins, so called for their hilarious braying call.

DAY 13: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

- · Breakfast at hotel
- · Sip With Soul Tour with Tuanni Price
- · Farewell Dinner at GOLD Restaurant

Sip With Soul with Tuanni Price

Tuanni Price, an African American expatriate, curates experiences that connect travelers with Black South African wine-industry professionals. Ms. Price ran a tour business focused on Black-owned wine brands in her home state of California. She brought her operation to South Africa in 2018 after visiting and becoming enamored with the relatively small but robust community of Black wine professionals. She offers cellar tours, tastings and lunches with Black winemakers, sommeliers and owners of Black-owned estates. There are now at least 82 Black-owned wine brands in South Africa — a more than 20 percent increase since 2019.







GOLD Restaurant

GOLD provides its guests with an authentic African experience. More than just a restaurant, an evening at GOLD is an immersive experience that offers a 14-dish tasting menu, designed to be enjoyed in a shared style. Throughout the traditional African meal you will learn about the country of origin, cooking techniques and spicing of each dish. Dinner is accompanied by interactive entertainment; you cannot help but be swept up by the eclectic mixture of African singing, dancing and puppetry.





DAY 14: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

- Breakfast at Hotel
- · Hotel Check out
- Depart for USA

DAY 15: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Arrival USA/EWR – Welcome Home!

TRAVEL INFORMATION

COST PER PERSON SHARING \$6875

SINGLE OCCUPANCY: ADD \$1250

AIRLINES

United Airlines Roundtrip flight departing from Newark International Airport

Airline fares are subject to final confirmation of United Airlines

HOTELS

Accommodations: Johannesburg-5 star; Cape Town-4 star.

MEALS

Full breakfast daily included in the hotel packages. Other meals are included as noted.

TOURS

All tours are included except for Optional Activities.

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TRIP INCLUDES

- Roundtrip airfare from USA to South Africa. (Other add-on cities at additional costs)
- · Hotel accommodations
- All breakfasts
- · Lunches and dinners where indicated
- All group tours
- Customized Events and Excursions
- Ground transportation in Johannesburg & Cape Town
- Group Personal Guides
- Welcome Packages & Zoom Call Orientations
- On the ground assistance in South Africa
- Travel assistance in the US
- · On Ground Portage Gratuities

POST OPTIONAL TRIPS

These options are available for Global Linkages participants. Please see optional tours description brochure for full description of these activities.

- Victoria Falls
- Kruger National Park Game Safari

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- City of Durban
- Namibia