



Africa Unearthed

Itinerary 2017-2018



Day 1:

Flight to Durban

Day 2:

You will be met at Durban airport by our friendly VESA staff member who will be easily recognisable in their VESA t-shirt and will be holding a sign. Please ensure that whatever your flight arrangements, you will be at the international arrivals hall at the time of the group flight arrival. We will be transported by minivan to St Lucia where we will stay during our time volunteering. Orientation and welcome dinner.

Day 3-8:

Volunteering week: You will be split into groups to undertake some of the following: working with children in crèches and schools teaching English and basic sanitation, renovating and revitalising the facilities with fresh coats of paint, installing new play equipment and also the construction of homes, building and installation of sustainable farming units, working with the national parks authority in areas of conservation in the observation and noting of migratory and local birds as well as the capture and release of crocodiles and the counting of crocodile eggs. Working at a big cat rehabilitation centre with cheetahs and other cats preparing food, cleaning enclosures, building enclosures and more.

A typical day volunteering goes a little like this:

- 7am – Breakfast
- 8am – Begin Volunteer work
- 10am – Light refreshment
- 12.30pm – Lunch
- 1pm – continue volunteer work
- 4pm – Finish
- 4.30pm – Free time and activities
- 7pm – Dinner
- 8pm – Free time and activities

Day 9-11:

See all that Africa has to offer on our stunning adventure tour...

Day 1: Cape Vidal open air safari. Afternoon swimming, optional surfing and evening beach BBQ.

Day 2: Zulu village, visit an iSangoma (fortune teller) who calls upon her ancestors to read the future, river cruise for hippo and croc watching.

Day 3: Imfaluzi game reserve safari

Day 12-13:

Coach to **Swaziland** where we visit the local markets. Cycle or walk the wildlife reserve. White water rafting and horseback riding options available. Overnight in the game reserve.

Day 14:

Transfer by coach from Swaziland to Johannesburg and your flight home or Road to Mozambique will commence.

**South African Rand can be withdrawn using your own ATM card or Aus/NZ\$ can be exchanged at Johannesburg Airport*

Accommodation:

10 nights St. Lucia BiB's is comfortably nestled on the banks of the St. Lucia Estuary in St. Lucia Village. The Village is the southernmost entrance to The Greater St. Lucia Wetland Park, South Africa's first World Heritage Site

All meals

Dorm accommodation separated into male/female. Some doubles available

Electricity, full bathrooms, common room, full 24 hour security and laundry facilities. Internet available at reception, phone cards available in the town. Close to shops, supermarket and medical clinics

2 Nights Sondzela Lodge Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary
All meals

Dorm accommodation – all in together
Electricity, full bathrooms, swimming pool, no internet, no phones

Inclusions

- **Breakfast lunch and dinner** on all days except for the free day.
- **All accommodation.**
- All **volunteer materials** and local builders/assistants.
- **Drinking water** where necessary.
- All in country **transportation.**
- Entry to game reserves.
- All **activities** except where indicated as optional.

Optional extras (approx prices only)

ZAR = South African Rand

- Horse riding 1hr- ZAR 225/4hrs-ZAR 730
- Quad Biking 1.5hrs – ZAR 550
- Bike Riding ZAR 235
- White water rafting - approx. ZAR 1200
- Night Safari ZAR 250
- The Road to Mozambique AUD\$999/NZ\$1099