

Garden Route Self Drive 9 days



Drive South Africa's beautiful Garden Route, from Cape Town to the cosmopolitan city of Port Elizabeth, the wine region of Klein Karoo and whale watching capital Plettenburg Bay en route.

TOUR DETAILS:

- Starts in: Cape Town / Ends in: Port Elizabeth
- Departs: Any day of the year
- No local payment required
- Breakfast:8, Lunch: 0, Dinner: 0
- Hotel Rating: Standard, superior or deluxe (dependent upon your chosen itinerary)
- Tour Guide: No

ONLINE RESOURCES:

- For a detailed GO GUIDE - [click here](#)
- To book this trip - [click here](#)
- To enquire about this trip - [click here](#)

TOUR MAP:



QUICK WEB LINKS

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Day 1: Cape Town

Upon arrival in Cape Town you will be met by our representative and escorted to where you collect your rental vehicle. Drive to your hotel in the heart of the city. The remainder of the day is at leisure. Overnight - [Cape Town](#)

Days 2 - 3: Cape Town

Two free days to explore the 'Mother City.' With Table Mountain as its iconic backdrop, a bevy of beautiful beaches, the famous Victoria & Alfred Waterfront, wonderful shops, restaurants and bars, Cape Town is an essential stop in South Africa. Take the revolving cable car to the top of Table Mountain and a boat trip to Robben Island where Nelson Mandela was imprisoned, or see where the two oceans meet on a day trip to the famous Cape of Good Hope.

Discover the beautiful Winelands, just a short distance from Cape Town. Stellenbosch, the second oldest town in South Africa, offers some of the world's finest wines as well as being a bustling university town. Paarl is nestled in the Berg River Valley with a number of traditional-styled wine farms and Franschoek, South Africa's very own 'French Quarter', is a quaint little town with world-renowned wine cellars. Overnight - [Cape Town](#)

Day 4: Oudtshoorn

Make your way to Klein Karoo's capital - Oudtshoorn today. Here there is the option to visit the Safari Ostrich Ranch or the Cango Caves to explore the ancient stalagmites and stalactites and visit endangered animals at the Cango Wildlife Ranch.

Since 1863 Oudtshoorn had become known as the ostrich capital of the world, successfully producing the best feathers, leather products and ostrich meat world wide. The town of Oudtshoorn is situated in the beautiful valley between the Outeniqua and Swartberg Mountains, and is the commercial hub of the greater Klein Karoo region, which encompasses the towns of Prince Albert, De Rust and Calitzdorp. Being surrounded by mountains means that every road into Oudtshoorn allows a picturesque pass, offering travellers scenes of unspoilt natural beauty. Overnight - [Oudtshoorn](#)



Days 5 - 6: Plettenberg Bay

Drive to Plettenberg Bay on day 5. Known as the jewel of the Garden Route, this tranquil town is famous for its beautiful beaches, lagoons, indigenous forests and the rugged Robberg Peninsular where you can enjoy a scenic walk around the point of the peninsular. Whilst in Plettenberg Bay why not head to beautiful Knysna and enjoy a fun and adventurous cruise to Knysna Heads?

From Keurboomstrand in the north to the Robberg Peninsula there are 15km of beaches interrupted only by the Keurbooms River mouth. Central Beach is the busiest beach in Plettenberg Bay and it is the launch site for Marine Safaris, dive charters and ocean kayaking tours. Just 2 minutes from the town, there are many restaurants, bars and facilities nearby. Keurbooms Beach is 10km from the town and is almost "wild" in its unspoiled beauty. Robberg Beach is ideal for very long walks, it stretches for kilometres between the Robberg Peninsula and Beacon Island and offers the best shore-based whale watching in the area. Overnight - [Plettenberg Bay](#)



Days 7 - 8: Port Elizabeth

Your final port of call is along South Africa's east coast at Port Elizabeth, 800km from Cape Town. Port Elizabeth is also known as "Nelson Mandela City", the landing place of the 1820 settlers and the area that saw the first meeting of Khoisan, British, Dutch, German and Xhosa people. This major sea port and tourist destination is renowned for its sunshine and sandy beaches. Conditions in Port Elizabeth are ideal for sailing, swimming and scuba diving.

Within the city are many parks with well landscaped gardens, the largest being St Georges Park which covers 73 hectares and is home to the world famous Port Elizabeth Cricket Club, the oldest bowling green in South Africa, Prince Alfred's Guard Memorial and the 1882 Victorian Pearson Conservatory. Overnight - [Port Elizabeth](#)

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Day 9: Port Elizabeth

Drive to the airport and drop off your vehicle before your onward flight.

standard accommodation (superior and deluxe available upon request). They will therefore vary depending on your chosen hotels, room availability as well as time of travel. This Garden Route itinerary is also available as a small group tour with fixed departures, escorted by a guide, contact us for details.

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
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Supplementary Prices

	Price/Person	Single Supp.
Garden Route Self Drive - Superior Accommodation	USD \$1389	USD \$0
Garden Route Self Drive - Deluxe Accommodation	USD \$1789	USD \$0

WHAT YOU SEE AND WHAT YOU GET:

Below is a list of key highlights and what is included on this tour. Further, where appropriate, we have listed the items that are not included in the tour price.

Trip Highlights

- Port Elizabeth - "the windy city"
- Plettenberg Bay - "the jewel of the Garden Route"
- Knysna - picturesque town
- Oudtshoorn - Ostrich Farm and Cango Caves (optional)
- Cape Town - "The Mother City"

What's Included

- Breakfast daily
- 8 nights accommodation (standard, superior or deluxe)
- 9 days car hire - Group B vehicle (aircon and powersteering) with Classic Plus insurance cover. Vehicle upgrade available.
- Standard Meet and Greet upon arrival at airport

What's Not Included

- International flights and visas
- Tipping - an entirely personal gesture
- Optional activities

PRICES AND DATES: from USD \$1,139

Prices shown are 'per person', based on a travelling party of at least 2 adults. Prices are indicative and based on low season in