



**PRE NAMBITI & DRAKENSBERG TOUR
3 NIGHTS / 4 DAY**

Tour Itinerary

Depart from Johannesburg and see some of the most spectacular scenery in the province. Enter into Lesotho and visit the highest pub in Africa.

DAY 1 – JOHANNESBURG TO NAMBITI PRIVATE GAME RESERVE (D)

You will be picked up from your hotel (Sandton or Airport area) or from OR Tambo Airport (Your flight would need to arrive before 09h00). Head straight down the N3 via Warden and Harrismith to Nambiti Big 5 private game reserve. A light lunch will be taken en-route and is for your own account. The Reserve's 22 000 acres boasts incredible biodiversity; including savannah, thornveld, riverine bush, acacia trees and extensive grasslands that mirror the plains of central Africa. In addition, the Reserve is completely malaria free, falling far outside the low risk belt



Check in at your lodge and freshen up before heading out on your afternoon game drive.



Your personal guide will ensure that you get the most out of the experience, enjoying the abundance of wildlife and unspoiled African vistas. You will stop to be given a chance to stretch your legs and listen to the sounds and silences of the bush. The memory of sipping a sundowner in such humbling surroundings is one that will stay with you forever.

Return to the lodge for Dinner either in the restaurant or boma. Overnight in luxury en-suite tented accommodation or similar.

Accommodation	Springbok Lodge or similar - Nambiti Private Game Reserve
Distance	Johannesburg to Ladysmith 3.5 hours / 376km

DAY 2 - NAMBITI TO SOUTHERN DRAKENSBERG (BLD)

Enjoy an early morning game +/- 3 hours in search of the Big 5 before returning to the lodge for a sumptuous breakfast.

Travel via Estcourt and Mooi River and long the Midlands Meander route to Howick. The Meander route offers a unique mixture of arts and crafts and we will stop along the way for lunch and to visit some of the quaint shops. We will make a brief stop at the Howick Falls and visit the nearby site of Nelson Mandela's capture in 1962. A monument has been erected at the place where he said goodbye to freedom for 27 years.

We head into the foothills of the Southern Drakensberg and arrive at our hotel in the late afternoon. The evening is spent at leisure with dinner in the lodge. Accommodation: Sani Pass Hotel or similar



Distance	Ladysmith to Sani Pass Hotel – 180 km
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DAY 3 – SANI PASS (BLD)

After breakfast, you are transported up the spectacular Sani Pass, in a 4x4 vehicle, and across the border into the independent Kingdom of Lesotho. (Passports essential!).

The Pass climbs 1300m in just 12 km, in a 'hair-raising' switch back pattern. We visit a Basotho village and experience day to day life in this mountainous kingdom.

Lunch is enjoyed at the highest pub in Africa. This is a great experience of Basotho culture and the majestic Southern Drakensberg views. We descend the pass, and enjoy another evening in the foothills.

Log fires are definitely the norm here. Enjoy dinner at the lodge.

Accommodation: **Sani Pass Hotel or similar**



Distance	Sani Pass – 60km
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DAY 4 - DRAKENSBERG TO DURBAN (B&L)

After breakfast, recharge and explore the beautiful mountain scenery on horseback or go on a guided Bushman's rock art hike, hike into the world heritage site.

For the avid birdwatcher over 300 bird species are found in the area including the Black stork, Bald ibis, Bearded and Cape vultures, Black eagle, Jackal buzzard, Black harrier, Orange breasted Rockjumper, Drakensberg siskin, the Blue, Crowned and Wattled Crane's and Denham's bustard.



Relax and enjoy a spa treatment with breathtaking views.

These activities are all optional extras and your guide can assist you with making bookings.



After a leisurely morning, depart the Drakensberg for Durban. Lunch will be taken en-route. We travel through the Capital of Kwa-Zulu Natal, Pietermaritzburg which is the second largest city in the province. It was founded in 1838 and it is home to a campus of the University of KwaZulu-Natal. Pietermaritzburg is a major producer of Aluminum, as well as timber and dairy products.

Continue to Durban via the scenic Valley of 1000 Hills route. You are dropped off at your Durban city or beachfront hotel at +-17:00.

Distance

Drakensberg to Durban – 200km

Passenger Information:

Tour Code	PRENDRA
Duration	4 days / 3 nights
Depart	Johannesburg Sandton or Airport Hotels or from Johannesburg International Airport at 09h00.
Vehicle	Air-conditioned vehicle to suite group size
Minimum	5
Price	R 10 995.00
Single	R 11 750.00
Included	Registered Guide, transportation as per itinerary, accommodation, meals as per itinerary, 2 game drives in open 4 x 4 vehicles, Sani Pass 4 x 4 experience, entrance fees and sightseeing as specified.

Excluded	Gratuities, all beverages, laundry and items of a personal nature, transportation not mentioned in the itinerary and optional extra activities.
Meals	3 x Breakfasts, 3 x Lunches, 3 x Dinners
Accommodation	Luxury en-suite tents at Springbok Lodge or similar Luxury room at Sani Pass Hotel or similar
Comments	This tour will cover some of the most beautiful scenery between Johannesburg and Durban as well as providing exceptional game viewing opportunities in a Big 5 malaria free game reserve. Passports are essential to enter Lesotho and some passport holders may require a visa.
Activity Level	High!
Date Pre Tour	30 July – 02 August 2014