

# Protea 4x4

## Safari tours for 2024 & 2025

*Expect the unexpected as you explore with us, extraordinary journeys through Southern Africa's Great Outdoors!*

If the landscapes are not enough to turn you starry-eyed, then try to beat the romance of Africa's Wildlife on our safari tours to the most pristine wilderness areas in Southern Africa. We offer a variety of leisurely self-drive tours, from self-catering, self-camping towing tours, to fully catered (dinner/bed & breakfast) 4 Star Hotel and Lodge accommodation tours. Ideally for that perfect luxurious safari atmosphere of an unhurried lifestyle.

Our secret season is for our safari connoisseurs to enjoy our safari tours once the busy season is over, for the peace and tranquillity to visit these pristine wilderness areas. For us to offer you that special experience our groups are small and personalized with only 10-14 guests, that is adults and children (not vehicles) per tour.

Your tour guide has 25 years' experience, offering Off-Road 4x4 Training Courses and Guided Tours around Southern Africa. Touring the Great African Outdoors even novice Off-Road drivers and their families are in safe capable hands. Your hosts will be the husband & wife team of Jannie and Ansu Rykaart.

*Live your life, before life becomes  
Lifeless...*



### **Big 5 Safari (Moremi and Makgadikgadi Pans), Botswana.**

(11 to 24 May 2024) - **off-road camping at its best!**

- Due to the low population density of these areas, there is very little light pollution, and the skies here are the cleanest in Africa with the best night sounds.
- Camp for 5 nights inside the Moremi Game Reserve, sleeping under the open skies is an unparalleled way to experience the unspoiled beauty of the Okavango Delta, not to mention the 4-hour boat cruise that will take you deep into the Okavango Delta along its winding waterways.
- For that picture perfect moments, we all dream about the Moremi Game Reserve and the Makgadikgadi Pans Zebra migrations is the place to experience the best wildlife sightings in Africa.

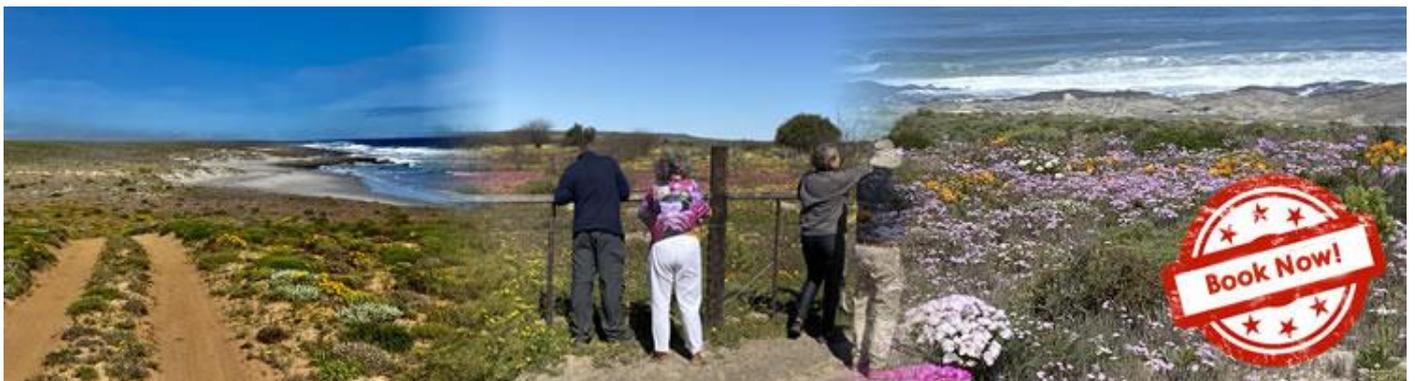
- The Moremi is just such an unspoilt wilderness area that sets the stage for diversity and the complexity of life itself.
- Camp on the bank of the Boteti River with the second largest and the longest migration of land animals in Africa, the Zebra migration is a mind-blowing phenomenon to be viewed for 4 days.
- A flight over the Delta (own account) is a must do experience during our 2 nights stay over in Maun.
- This is a 14 nights safari tour, that includes 2 nights Lodge accommodation (dinner/bed & breakfast) Botswana park fees, campsite fees, boat cruise for R29 500 per person.
- **This tour can accommodate 14 people.**
- Suitable for all 4x4 vehicles, off-road caravans, and off-road trailers.



## Route Sani Pass (winter), Lesotho.

(20 to 23 July 2024) **A 4-day fun filled, fully catered Hotel long weekend.**

- Spend this self-made long weekend conquering the Drakensberg Mountains in Lesotho, drive up the world-renowned Sani Pass, conquering the most beautiful vistas and breath-taking mountain passes.
- The claimed highest pub in Africa overlooking the world below will be visited.
- The rolling mountains will take your breath away, not to mention the winter mountain wildflowers, all the frozen mountain streams, and the frozen waterfalls that make this such a popular World Heritage site.
- Come and explore the winter beauty of the Drakensberg and hopefully a snow blanket.
- 4 days/3 nights offering you 3 course dinners, a breakfast selection of note, and a spacious double room. at the 4 Star Premier Sani Pass Hotel at the foot of the majestic Drakensberg mountains.
- R8 450 per person sharing, non-sharing R9 700, children u'12 at less 50%, family rates available.
- **This tour can accommodate 20 people.**
- Suitable for all 4x4 and AWD vehicles.



## Namaqualand 4x4 Flower Safari, Northern Cape.

(23 August to 4 September 2024) **Fully catered Lodge accommodation**

- This is just one of those must-do-journeys that you should undertake during your life!
- Experience one of the world's most colourful botanical wonders as vast tapestries of brightly coloured flowers emerge all over Namaqualand and along the West Coast coastal route.
- The Flower tour is not only about flowers. We also travel along gravel backroads to discover and drive some historic mountain passes and to explore those unknown areas of the Namaqualand.
- Stay at Lake Grappa close to the Augrabies Waterfall, explore the Riemvasmaak area, De Mas Winery's Pot Still Brandy & Gin Distillery, Daisy Country Lodge, Goegap 4x4 trail, Nababeep, Skilpad Flower Reserve, Groenriviersmond, West Coast 4x4 coastal route. On the edge of the Atlantic Ocean, Fryers Cove Winery for fresh oysters and abalone fresh from the sea. Discover the Nieuwoudtville's flowers from the comfort of the Letsatsi Lodge in Vanrhynsdorp.

- Not to mention the full days Shipwreck tour from Koiingaas north along the Atlantic's edges.
- A 13-day, with 12-nights fully catered self-drive tour, offering you different types of Lodge accommodation that includes superb dinners, bed & breakfast experiences.
- R33 500-00 per person sharing, Single persons = R38 900, includes superb accommodation, meals, park fees, and all the listed activities.
- **We can only accommodate 12 people**, book early to avoid disappointment.
- Only 4x4 & AWD vehicles can undertake this tour due to the coastal route we will be following.



## **Reflections of Nature Safari (Chobe-Vic Falls-Makgadikgadi etc), Botswana.**

**(4 to 19 October 2024) off-road camping tour.**

- The driest period in the Kalahari Desert, but also the best time to enjoy bird & animal behaviour.
- Regarded as the elephant haven of the Kalahari – experience thirsty elephants rushing in for a drink.
- Watch them from the comfort of your camping chair for two days.
- The mighty Chobe River with an abundance of bird and animal life will be our base for 5 nights.
- Visit one of the 7 Wonders of the World – the Victoria Waterfalls. Enjoy lunch at the old Colonial Victoria Falls Hotel. This is a full day bus tour but excludes the entrance fees to the Falls and lunch.
- Experience boat cruises on the Chobe River (private 4-hour morning cruise and a private 4-hour sunset cruise) with loads of wildlife (animals & birds) that congregates on the banks of the Chobe River.
- The pictureous Nata Lodge on the edge of the Makgadikgadi Pans.
- Camp on the banks of the Boteti River with the second largest and the longest migration of land animals in Africa, the Zebra migration is a mind-blowing phenomenon to be viewed for 4 days.
- The Rhino heaven of Botswana will be on the safari map also for two nights.
- 16 days/15 nights, offering you an exquisite camping safari with two lodge dinners and a breakfast.
- R33 850 per person sharing, includes all the accommodation fees – lodge and camping, Private sundowner & morning boat cruises on the Chobe River, Vic Falls bus tour and all your park fees.
- More Lodge dinners and breakfasts are available – own account.
- **This tour can only accommodate 14 people, still space for 10 people.**
- Suitable for all AWD & 4x4 vehicles. Off-Road Campers (caravans, trailers) and ground tents.



## **Leatherback Sea Turtles tour, Kosi Bay, Northern KZN.**

**(4 to 8 February 2025) A fully catered Lodge tour that includes activities.**

- One of the greatest **SECRET ESCAPES** that awaits you in Zululand, South Africa.
- Kosi Bay, and the surroundings areas of the iSimangaliso Wetland Park is just something to experience.
- Discovering all the natural jewels this coastal forest and lakes system has to offer.
- If you are looking to truly indulge in the beauty of South Africa, it is worth exploring the unique activities that we offer on this tour, pack your bags, and load your 4x4 for a drive of a lifetime.

- Snorkel in crystal clear water, the lagoon's coral reef is situated at Kosi Bay Mouth and the beauty is that you need no experience, just a spirit for adventure. The reef offers plenty colourful fish.
- A day on a private boat cruise, the crystal-clear lake system of the iSimangaliso Wetland Park, offering a variety of birdlife, snorkelling, and beautiful vistas.
- Snorkel amongst the 700-year-old Tsonga fish kraals along the edge of the Mangrove Forest.
- Visit a fish kraal and meet a traditional Tsonga fisherman as he spears the days catch.
- The rare Raffia Palm Forest walk, in search of the endangered Palmnut Vulture and all the other small creatures that is endemic to this area!
- Witness how the endangered loggerhead and leatherback sea turtles lay their eggs and experience the astonishing thrill as hundreds of hatchlings dash of to the ocean only to return 17 years later.
- A 5-day, 4-night fully catered Lodge tour (dinner, bed, and breakfast).
- R13 850 per person sharing, and single persons = R16 200.



## Frontier 4x4 Mountain Passes, Eastern Cape

(15 to 26 March 2025) **A 12-day fun filled, fully catered adventure tour.**

- The Drakensberg Mountains of the Eastern Cape just have some of the most beautiful passes, one of them is Volunteershoek pass, that will take you past the highest freshwater dam in SA and ending at the world-renowned Sani Pass, conquering the most beautiful vistas and breath-taking mountain passes you can imagine – YES, we plan to do 13 gravel passes from 2 100 m to 3 244 meters above sea-level!
- The claimed highest pub in Africa overlooking the world below will also be visited.
- The green rolling mountains will take your breath away, not to mention the mountain wildflowers, all the mountain streams, Birdlife and the waterfalls that make this secret such a rewarding destination!
- Come and explorer the summer beauty of the Drakensberg with us and enjoy a picnic at the highest point.
- 12days/11nights offering you dinner, breakfast, and a spacious double room at the 3 to 5-Star Hotel's we plan to visit for a night or two, such as the Rhodes Hotel, Tenahead Lodge & Spa, Sani Pass Hotel etc.
- R28 900 per person sharing and single persons = R34 300.
- **This tour can ONLY accommodate 10 people.**
- ONLY suitable for 4x4 vehicles with a low range.



## Namib Desert Safari (southern Namibia), Namibia.

(20 April to 4 May 2025 – we can still accommodate 10 people) - **off-road camping at its best!**

- Need a reason to visit Namibia? We have many reasons right here for you, just read on.
- Known around the world for its majestic landscapes, this is what intrigue most people to visit this unspoilt desert country along its gravel roads offering a variation in landscapes that is quite extraordinary.
- Some of the absolute best attractions that Namibia offers will be visited: starting at the Augrabies Waterfalls, through the Ai-Ais-Richtersveld along the Fish River Canyon to Canyon Roadhouse and then to

Klein Aus Vista, the Wild horses of the Namib, the Ghost Town of Kolmanskop, Sesriem and the spectacular dunes at Sossusvlei in the oldest desert of the world!

- We visit the holiday town of Namibia – Swakopmund from where we will undertake a guided tour into the desert with all its hidden jewels and then a sea safari on the icy Atlantis Ocean before visiting prehistoric plants in the desert, then we're off to the fishing heaven of the West Coast for 2 nights camping on the edge of the ocean before heading back home via Spitzkoppe.
- A 14-day camping tour of an unhurried safari lifestyle @ R32 800 per person. That includes all your confirmed campsites, camping fees, park fees, lodge fees and the listed activities.
- Suitable for all 4x4, 4x2, AWD vehicles, Off-Road caravans, trailers, and ground tents.
- **This tour can only accommodate 14 people.**

*Please take note that the above rates apply for residents of South Africa only. Non-South African resident rates are available on request. Fees may change due to normal price increases and exchange rate fluctuations OR normal escalations that might accrue. Each tour is subject to a minimum number of 6 bookings (6 people) and your 50% non-refundable deposit is fully refundable in the unlikely event that a tour is cancelled by us. Some of these events is totally depending on Mother Nature, thus no guarantees can be given.*

Please take note that children are welcome on our tours. U/12 years will be paying 50% less on the listed tour rate. NO pets are allowed on our tours.

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You only live once, but if you do it right,  
once will be enough...

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