

COP 17 PRE & POST CONFERENCE ZULULAND TOUR

PRE TOUR: FRI 18TH NOV – SUN 20TH NOV 2011
POS TOUR: SAT 10TH DEC – MON 12TH DEC 2011
START POINT: DURBAN CITY OR BEACHFRONT HOTELS
START TIME: 07H30

The tour starts and ends in Durban.
The tour starts on the morning of day 1 at 08:00 when you will be collected from your Durban beachfront hotel.
The tour ends in Durban at 17:00 on day 3 when you will be dropped off at the King Shaka Airport or a Durban beachfront hotel.

MEAL TABLE:

Meal	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
Breakfast		X	X
Lunch	X	X	X
Dinner	X	X	

*Included meals marked with an X

HIGHLIGHTS

Depart from Durban to see a spectacular array of wildlife in the game reserves and parks of Zululand – hopefully see the big five and more. This tour explores the best of Zululand including open vehicle game drives, the Hluhluwe / Umfolozi Park and a boat trip in the World Heritage site at St. Lucia and a visit to a Zulu cultural village for unique insights into the traditional Zulu lifestyle

Tour Itinerary

DAY 1: DURBAN TO ZULULAND BONAMANZI GAME LODGE OR SIMILAR (Lunch & Dinner)

You are collected from your Durban hotel from 07h30.

Head towards Eshowe and into the Umhlatuzi Valley. Visit the great kraal of Senzangakhona as seen in the internationally acclaimed television series "Shaka Zulu". Experience the traditional Zulu life and demonstrations on etiquette, the social system and traditional dancing. Enjoy the Zulu beer and a festive traditional lunch. Depart Shakaland and in the afternoon arrive at Bonamanzi Game Park - one of the largest private wildlife and birding parks in Zululand. With over 4000 hectares of pristine bush to explore, each day is different whether you are sighting rare African birds or tracking game. There is time do some bird watching and possibly see crocodile from a wonderfully relaxing viewing lounge built over the dam before sundowners and dinner are taken at the Out of Africa style restaurant.



Overnight: Bonamanzi Game Park.

Distance: Durban to Bonamanzi via Shakaland: 340km

DAY 2: ZULULAND – BONAMANZI GAME LODGE OR SIMILAR (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner)

An early breakfast at the lodge, followed by a half day open vehicle game drive into the nearby Hluhluwe Umfolozi Park. This reserve is internationally renowned for the work done to save the White and Black Rhino. It currently boasts the largest rhino population in Africa. The Park has a large variety of game and birdlife coupled to an extremely rich diversity of tree and plant communities. A picnic lunch is included and taken in the reserve. Afternoon activities include a visit to the Illala Weavers craft shop (which stocks a rich diversity of traditional Zulu beadwork and woven baskets). Another stop would be the unique Sand Forest ecosystem bordering the Western Shores of False Bay where there is a chance to take a guided walk through the forest.

Dinner is taken at the lodge restaurant. Alternatively if the lodge group is large enough a bush braai will be arranged. This will be taken under the stars at the water's edge with the sounds of nocturnal animals all around. (This is also weather dependent).

Overnight: Bonamanzi Game Park or similar

Distance: +- 60km



DAY 3 DEPART FOR DURBAN (Breakfast & Lunch)

After an early breakfast and morning game drive / bush walk you will check out of the lodge and make your way back to Durban where the tour ends. En-route you travel via Mtubatuba to the town of St Lucia, the gateway to the recently declared St Lucia World Heritage Site - an area of inspiring natural beauty. This 60 km long estuary lies parallel to the sea and is flanked by mangrove swamps, dune forests, woodland and open grasslands. The area is rich with hippos, crocodiles and birdlife. A boat ride up the estuary provides a wonderful window into this complex and fascinating system. A light lunch will be taken in the town of St Lucia.



After the boat trip you journey back to Durban where you are dropped off at your Durban hotel at +- 17h00.

Distance: +- Hluhluwe via St Lucia to Durban +- 370km

PASSENGER INFORMATION:

Duration	3days / 2nights
Depart	07h30 from your Durban hotel.
Price	R7310 per person sharing / R7800 for a single person
Vehicle	Air-conditioned vehicle to suite group size
Included	Registered Guide, transportation as per itinerary, accommodation, meals as per itinerary, entrance fees and sightseeing as specified.
Excluded	Gratuities, drinks, laundry and items of a personal nature.
Meals	2 x Breakfast, 3 x Lunch, 2 x Dinner
Accommodation	Bonamanzi Game Lodge or similar
Comments	This tour will cover some of the most beautiful scenery and wildlife between Durban and the Zululand area to the north of Durban. Malaria precautions are recommended.
Activity Level	Moderate.

TO BOOK FOR THIS TOUR PLEASE EMAIL info@zulwini.co.za