

# **Cape City Tour (Private)**

# **Summary**

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# **About Our Tours**

Should the Cable Car not be in operation an alternate visit to the spectacular Signal Hill will be included.

## **Activities**

- Table Mountain
- Lion's Head
- Company Gardens
- South African Museum
- Castle of Good Hope
- Cape Town City Centre



### **Description**

Situated below Table Mountain, Devil's Peak and Lion's Head, Cape Town offers a rich cultural and industrial heritage, grand splendour and an assurance of activity of excitement at the V&A Waterfront. Including all the `must-sees` of any Cape Town day tour, this option is a geographical and cultural extravaganza, showing you Cape Town, from its historical beginnings to the dazzling modern city it has become.

The tour commences with a tour of Table Mountain (weather permitting; cable car fee not included). Enjoy panoramic views over the Mother City and the Atlantic Seaboard with Robben Island in the distance lying sleepily in Table Bay harbour. In the city itself, stop at the Company Gardens. Enjoy a walk through the garden and a visit to the SA Museum. This is followed by a visit to the Castle of Good Hope. Built between 1666 and 1679 by the Dutch East India Company (VOC) as a maritime replenishment station, the Castle of Good Hope is the oldest surviving colonial building in South Africa.

The drive through the City Centre would also take you past the Houses of Parliament, the Grand Parade and City Hall from where Nelson Mandela first addressed South Africans after his release in February 1990.



#### **Table Mountain**

Without a doubt it is Table Mountain that makes Cape Town the unique city it is. Rising up over 1000m above sea level, it is the icon that makes Cape Town instantly recognizable. It is a symbol, a playground, a spiritual retreat and a big draw card for tourists. So intertwined with the identity of Cape Town is Table Mountain that a visit to the city isn't complete without having walked or taken the cable car to the top.

#### Lion's Head

Lion's Head is the most accessible part of Table Mountain and is a very popular before and after work climb. The hike to the summit takes about an hour, and you get different views of the city and the Atlantic shoreline as the track spirals up the mountain. For those with a sense of occasion, a little picnic doesn't go amiss. If you're lucky enough to be in Cape Town during full moon, join the throng going up for the moon rise. Lion's Head is also where paragliders launch into the air before slowly descending on Camps Bay Beach.

### **Company Gardens**

The Company Gardens is a treed haven in the middle of the city and is surrounded by museums and fascinating buildings - St Georges Cathedral, the Salve Museum, The National Art Gallery and the Jewish Museum to mention a few.

#### **South African Museum**

At the South African Museum, you can see everything from dinosaurs to rock art and fossils to a stuffed quagga, the extinct zebra that once graced Table Mountain. These exhibitions document the evolution of animals and man in Africa. One of the highlights is the Whale Well where you can listen to whale sounds and see a life-size, 20-metre-long skeleton of the planet's largest mammal; the Blue Whale. This is always a crowd-pleaser with the kids.

#### **Castle of Good Hope**

The Castle of Good Hope is the oldest surviving building in South Africa. Built between 1666 and 1679, this pentagonal fortification replaced a small clay and timber fort built by Commander Jan van Riebeeck in 1652 upon establishing a maritime replanishment station art the Cape of Good Hope for the Dutch East India Company, better known as the VOC (Verenigde Oos-Indische Compagnie).

### **Cape Town City Centre**

Cape Town is a cosmopolitan city were Africa, Europe and Asia meet, with great restaurants and loads of activities



on offer. Being surrounded by nature it is one of the few cities in the world where you can come to get away from it all.

## **Price Includes**

Collection and return to your CBD or Atlantic Seaboard hotel Services of a registered driver / guide in an air-conditioned vehicle Entrance fees to the Castle of Good Hope & SA Museum

## **Price Excludes**

Table Mountain and Cable Car Ticket

# **Languages Spoken**

**English** 

# **Departure Points**

Sea Point Hotels - Waterfront Hotels - Downtown Hotels

# **Departure Times**

08h30

## **Duration**

3h00