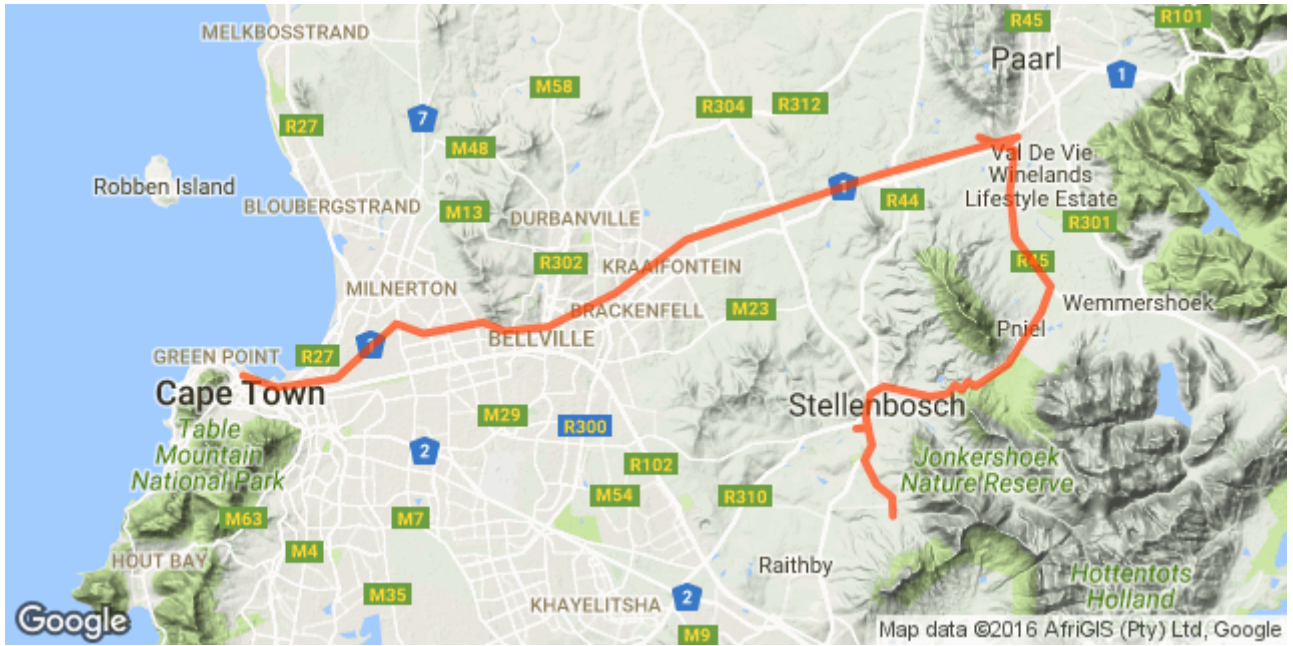

Cape Winelands Tour (Private)

Summary

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About Our Tours

Customers booking this tour can be picked up or dropped off at any central Cape Town, Waterfront or Sea Point hotels. Pick up and drop off at Cape Town International Airport can only be confirmed if clients book transfers between the airport and a hotel within the above-mentioned areas to connect with a departure.

Alternative estates may be visited over weekends and public holidays.

Activities

- Waterford Estate
 - Hells Hoogte Pass
 - Franschhoek
 - Paarl Wine Region
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Description

This delightful drive winds its way to the heart of the Cape Winelands, through superb mountain ranges, vineyards and Cape Dutch homesteads.

Head off to the wine country via the N2 to the heart of South Africa's wine industry, Stellenbosch, boasting great beauty and culture that is steeped in South African history. Walk down the canal-lined avenues, in the shade of giant oak trees and beautifully preserved historic buildings. With the sheer vastness of wine estates on offer, we are truly spoilt for choice when we enjoy our first wine tasting of the day at the Waterford Estate or similar.

Travel over the Helshoogte Pass to the town of Franschhoek, historically dating back to the 17th century when the French Huguenots arrived. Billed as the Gourmet Capital of South Africa, this charming town, in a most picturesque valley, retains a French Huguenot style.

We enjoy a wine tasting before taking time to enjoy the fabled culinary skills of the Franschhoek chefs at one of the many award winning restaurants (lunch not included in cost).

Onward to Paarl, one of the Cape's first farming districts. The town is set at the foot of the cluster of remarkable granite domes from which it takes its name.

Our last stop for the day is at a wine estate on the Paarl wine route.

We return to the bustle of city life after an enthralling day in the countryside, arriving back at the hotels at approximately 17:30



Waterford Estate

Waterford Estate is situated in one of the world's most visually arresting pockets of paradise. Nestled in the picturesque Blaauwklippen Valley, in the world-renowned Stellenbosch region, this 120-hectare property boasts ancient citrus groves, rolling lawns, water features and fragrant lavender beds. The winery was designed by architect Alex Walker and created from quarried local bedrock, stones from the vineyard and timber grown on the estate. It was styled along the engaging terracotta design of the classic Bordeaux chateaus of France. The center piece of the magnificent courtyard is the Waterford fountain. This feature has been immortalized in the Waterford label and represents a fundamental component of their philosophy.

Hells Hoogte Pass

The Hell's Hoogte Pass connects country's two top wine producing areas.

Franschhoek

<p>Idyllically situated in the Cape Winelands, this peaceful country retreat is one of the oldest towns in South Africa. The once sleepy little village was named Franschhoek, meaning "French Corner" as it was founded by French Huguenots who fled Europe and were seeking a secluded hide-out. They found it in the fertile valley of Franschhoek and this heritage is showcased at the fascinating Huguenot Memorial Museum. The Cape Dutch architecture in much of the village remains remarkably well preserved as restrictions have been placed on the extent of renovations and new construction in order to preserve the spirit of the original settlers. The town's proximity to Cape Town allows for pleasant day trips during which visitors can explore the area's many world-class wine estates and impressive range of excellent restaurants or simply browse the quaint, upmarket boutiques strewn along the town's lovely tree-lined avenues.</p>

Paarl Wine Region

One of the Western Cape's premier wine regions, Paarl is home to a number of well-respected wine producers, including KWV, Laborie, Nederburg, Fairview and Plaisir de Merle.

Price Includes

3 Wine Tastings

Languages Spoken

English

Departure Points

Sea Point Hotels - Waterfront Hotels - Downtown Hotels



Departure Times

08h30

Duration

9h00