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Safari Itinerary

Traveller:	Deb
Tour name:	Kariega Game Reserve with Small Group Garden Route Splendour
Travel dates:	21 March – 28 March 2012
Number of travellers:	1

Itinerary Outline

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Accommodation</u>	<u>Location</u>
01	21 March 2012	Radisson Blu Port Elizabeth	Port Elizabeth
02	22 March 2012	Kariega River Lodge	Kariega Game Reserve
03	23 March 2012	Kariega River Lodge	Kariega Game Reserve
04	24 March 2012	Kariega River Lodge	Kariega Game Reserve
05	25 March 2012	Knysna Hollow	Knysna
06	26 March 2012	Knysna Hollow	Knysna
07	27 March 2012	Queens Hotel	Oudsthoorn
08	28 March 2012	Departure day	Cape Town

Cost includes:

- Meet and greet services and airport transfers
- All activities as mentioned as included in the itinerary
- Seat in a shared vehicle on Garden Route tour
- Services of an English speaking driver-guide
- All accommodation and meals as specified

Cost Excludes:

- International flights
- Visas
- Airport tax (usually included in the tickets)
- Driver guide or local escort gratuities
- Drinks and dining rooms tips, portorage, personal travel and baggage insurance
- Telephone bill, laundry and any items of a personal nature
- Medical, evacuation and travel insurance

Detailed itinerary below.



Detailed Itinerary

Day 01: 21 March 2012 Port Elizabeth

This evening you will be met at the Port Elizabeth Airport after collecting your luggage, and transferred to the **Radisson Blu Hotel** where you will spend **1 night** on a **bed and breakfast basis**.

Welcome to Africa!

Radisson Blu Port Elizabeth

The Radisson Blu Hotel is ideally situated on the Summerstrand beachfront, offering breathtaking views of Algoa Bay.

This five star property boasts 173 beautifully appointed guest rooms and suites, a fully equipped business centre with 8 first class banqueting, conference and meeting facilities.

The award winning Italian inspired Filini Restaurant and Tabú Bar as well as a state of the art Space Gymnasium and Camelot Spa.



Day 02: 22 March 2012 Port Elizabeth – Kariega Game Reserve B/L/D

This morning you will be collected from the Radisson and driven for about 1 and a half hours to Kariega Game Reserve, to spend the next **3 nights** at **Kariega River Lodge** on a fully inclusive basis.

Kariega River Lodge

River Lodge is one-of-a-kind. 10 spacious, air conditioned and tastefully appointed thatched suites meander along the banks of the Bushman's River, offering the most discerning of guests luxurious peace and tranquility.

Inside the Lodge guests can find a quiet spot in one of the lounges, page through a book in the library, relax at the pool or take in the view from the magnificent deck which overhangs the river. Unique features include excellent river fishing and crabbing.

Nestled on the banks of the Bushman's River, this Lodge is unique in that it connects a Big-5 game reserve to the sea. Optional daily boat cruises ferry guests through the quaint village of Kenton-on-sea to its picturesque and user friendly beaches.



Day 03 & 04: 23 & 24 March 2012 Kariega Game Reserve B/L/D

2 game viewing activities are included each day during your stay at Kariega, and you'll have time also to relax and let it sink in that you are in Africa!



Kariega Game Reserve

Kariega Game Reserve is a family-owned and operated private game reserve stretching across 9,000 hectares of pristine wilderness in the Eastern Cape Province of South Africa. The Reserve is situated along the famous Garden Route, making it the perfect Big 5 safari destination to compliment a tour along South Africa's coast. This malaria-free destination is home to some of the richest biodiversity in southern Africa, as well as the picturesque Kariega and Bushman's Rivers. Incorporating luxury safari lodge accommodation, spectacular vistas and magnificent Big 5 game viewing, Kariega Game Reserve offers the ultimate in authentic African safari holidays.

Day 05: 25 March 2012

Kariega – Knysna

B/D

This morning you will be collected from Kariega and driven back to Port Elizabeth to join your group on the Garden Route Splendour Safari.

You will set off from the airport between 12h00 and 13h00 (or earlier if everyone has already arrived), travelling through the indigenous Tsitsikamma Forest towards the romantic seaside resort of Knysna, in the heart of the famous Garden Route, with scenic stops along the way. You will spend the next **2 nights** at the **Knysna Hollow Hotel** on a bed and breakfast basis, although a dinner is included today.

Knysna Hollow Hotel

Knysna Hollow Country Estate is beautifully set on a secluded old country estate near Knysna's famous lagoon. Set amongst timeless oaks and pecan trees, the gracious old manor house forms the focal point of the lodge. Built in a bygone era, it is finished with pressed ceilings, yellowwood floors and indigenous furniture.

The Knysna Hollow Country Estate Restaurant is situated in the Manor House and serves fine food in relaxed and warm surroundings. The scintillating, yet refined menu reflects flavours and influences from around the globe, with a selection of dishes sure to stimulate the senses. Choose between ocean-fresh seafood such as Cape Crayfish and Linefish, South African specialties such as Karoo Lamb and Venison dishes or decadent desserts.



Day 06: 26 March 2012

Knysna

B/L

Cruise on the vast Knysna Lagoon and visit the Featherbed Nature Reserve today. Enjoy an amazing view of the imposing sandstone 'Heads' which guard the sea entrance to Knysna's huge tidal lagoon, and the forests, marshes and pristine beaches beyond.

After lunch the remainder of the day is at leisure to enjoy this lovely and special town.



Knysna

A stunning and welcoming small town, developed around a lagoon protected by the famous Knysna Heads, Knysna is a must-see and a must-stay town in the heart of the Garden Route. Surrounded by the Knysna Forest with its enormous yellowwood trees, the area gives you access to picturesque hikes and view points. Closer to the water you can enjoy oysters, sunset cruises, whale and dolphin watching excursions, and great fishing.

Some beautiful golf courses are available, and the town is well known for its arts and crafts.



Day 07: 27 March 2012

Knysna – Oudsthoorn

B/L

This morning you will enjoy the wonderful views of the spectacular Outeniqua Pass en-route to Oudtshoorn, the ‘feather capital of the world’, so named, because it’s the centre of South Africa’s ostrich industry.

After lunch, you’ll learn more about these hardy, enigmatic creatures during a tour of an ostrich farm. You then head underground for a fascinating tour of the Cango Caves, one of South Africa’s most incredible natural wonders, before spending **1 night** at the historic **Queens Hotel** on a bed and breakfast basis.

Queens Hotel

The Queen's Hotel is nestled in the heart of Oudtshoorn and situated in close proximity to a multitude of restaurants, curio and coffee shops.

The Queen's Hotel is the third oldest hotel in South Africa and was built in 1880. The original building was made of stone and had a thatched roof.

On offer are 40 stylishly decorated en-suite double bedrooms providing individually remote controlled air-conditioning and television, with DSTV, clock radio and direct dial telephone.

Skilfully renovated using only the finest materials, from the marble in the foyer to the handpicked antique furnishings, The Queen's Hotel offers colonial style accommodation and service that is reminiscent of a by-gone era.



Oudsthoorn

The ostrich capital of the world, Oudtshoorn is an historic town just over the Outeniqua Mountains from George, with genuine old school hospitality, and delightful Cape Dutch buildings.

The focus of the town is ostrich farming, and you can visit a number of these farms to get up close and personal with the world's largest birds.

Day 08: 28 March 2012

Oudsthoorn – Cape Town

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This morning you will leave Oudsthoorn behind and drive along the scenic Route 62 to Cape Town. On arrival in this beautiful city you will be dropped off at the Hilton Hotel where you will continue as per your own arrangements

End of Services

Thanks very much for choosing to book your travel plans with us. We know that this itinerary will provide you with a trip of a lifetime.

Kind regards

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Booking terms and conditions:

- In order to confirm a booking, a 30% non-refundable deposit is required
- Balance payment is due 60 days prior to start date

Cancellation terms and conditions:

- All cancellations must be advised of in writing
- Cancellation penalties:
 - For cancellations made more than 60 days prior to start date: 30% cancellation penalty will apply (i.e. full deposit)
 - For cancellations made between 45 and 60 days prior to departure date: 50% cancellation penalty will apply
 - For cancellation made less than 45 days prior to departure date: 100% cancellation penalty will apply (i.e. the full booking cost)

Insurance:

- African Ubuntu Safaris strongly advises that every traveller purchases comprehensive travel insurance. As the deposit is non-refundable, and cancellation penalties apply, insurance must be taken out which can cover you in the event of you needing to cancel your travel plans.