



BEYOND  
— the baseline —

Tailor-made tours for the tennis minded  
**WESTERN CAPE**, South Africa

If you share with me a passion for playing tennis and a love of travel then I believe that this tailor-made holiday brochure should pull the right strings.

I want to tempt you to venture to the beautiful city of Cape Town in search of both sporting diversion and the opportunity to explore this vibrant region of South Africa.

Do you languish in the winter months, dreaming of long sunny days down at your tennis club, indulging in an energetic or possibly a more sedate game with fellow members, a group of friends or family? Do you want an intensive break to polish up a part of your game? Whatever your motives let me assure you - Beyond the Baseline will tailor-make the ideal package to suit your exact requirements including full travel arrangements, superb accommodation, and exciting add-on excursions together with unlimited playing opportunities and professional tennis coaching.

*Kevin Bradshaw*

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## GAME

**Beyond the Baseline** is a fully licensed UK-based tour operator. Our ATOL license gives our customers the assurance of full financial protection on our tailor-made holidays under ATOL licence No. 10425. For more details please refer to our online ATOL/ABTA information page - [www.beyondthebaseline.co.uk/protection](http://www.beyondthebaseline.co.uk/protection).



## SET

**Beyond the Baseline** is a totally bespoke service tailored to the exact requirements of each of our clients. We want you to get the maximum benefit and enjoyment from your holiday so we will prepare a personalised travel and tennis programme. You can either make an appointment at our office, or complete our detailed pre-booking questionnaire online - [www.beyondthebaseline.co.uk/preparationform.pdf](http://www.beyondthebaseline.co.uk/preparationform.pdf).

*What level of tennis do you play at?*

*What type of coaching do you require?*

*Would you like to go on safari?*

*May we recommend and reserve a restaurant in Franschhoek?*

## MATCH

**Beyond the Baseline** representatives in Cape Town will ensure that there is readily available support 24/7 throughout the entire duration of your stay in South Africa. Furthermore the close relationship that we share with the many boutique hotels featured in our programme will guarantee a very high standard of hospitality for our guests.

# THE CAPE

— destination —

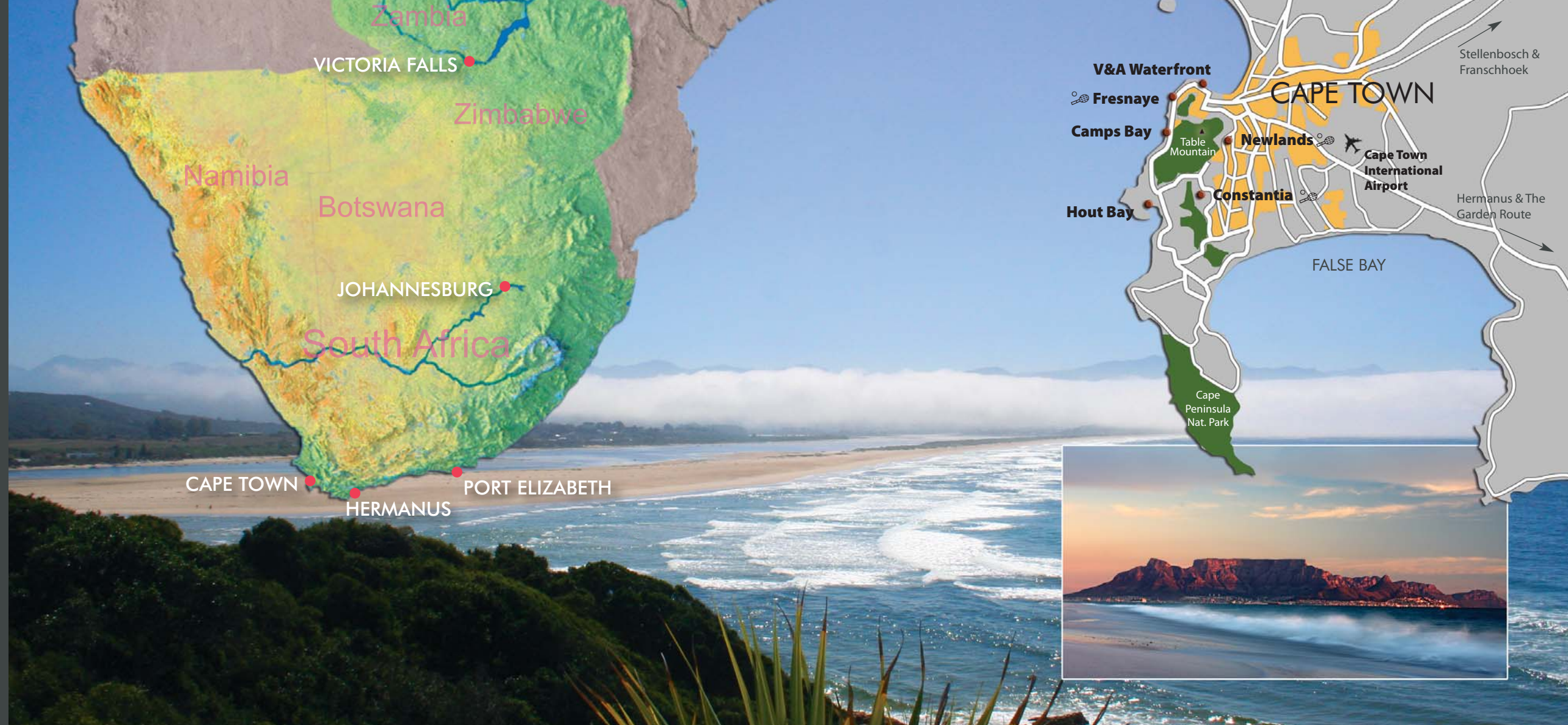
Situated on the southwestern tip of Africa, Cape Town and the Western Cape is recognised as one of the most beautiful places on earth.

It is also considered as one of the most affordable destinations in the world. The Cape Peninsula has great weather with warm languid summers and mild, moist winters – conditions that perfectly sum up the Mediterranean climate of this unique city and its surrounding countryside, mountains and coastline. The Cape offers the ideal open-air conditions for year round tennis, which is a hugely popular recreation with many excellent clubs.

Served by 20 international airlines on a daily basis linking it to every major global hub, Cape Town is a cosmopolitan destination where cultural diversity creates an exciting vibrancy and adds to its creativity. It's African and yet European.

Cape Town is a stunning gateway to the sights, sounds, smells and tastes of South Africa. The city itself will deliver a rich legacy that evokes the charms of colonial times whilst also embellishing the vibrant energy of the new "Rainbow" nation. Savour the city first and then venture forth...

...this then is our pleasure to assist you with.



# THE TENNIS

— experience —

Our tennis holidays come with a real difference. By taking the time to understand your capabilities and goals we aim to tailor make your very own bespoke programme in Cape Town. Whether it is your aim to improve a specific stroke, or perfect your all round game, our coaches will be able to offer you personal tuition and encouragement.

Beyond the Baseline is unique in offering you the chance to become a visiting member of 3 great tennis clubs in Cape Town where you will have the chance to socialise and play with local members. Let Capetonians welcome you to their beautiful city with a few sets of tennis followed by a chat over a few cold beers !

Beyond Cape Town many of our hotels have their own tennis facilities so that you can continue to practise your new found skills or just enjoy a few sets in a special setting.



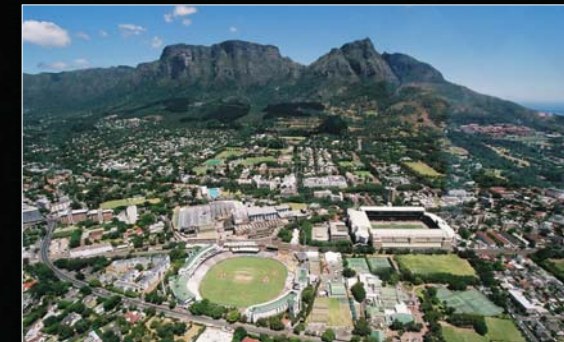
*Developing a fluid, continuous tennis backhand is one of the keys on the tennis backhand. A rigid backhand shot will limit the ability of the player to generate power as well as inhibit the necessary rotation needed to hit a powerful and heavy tennis backhand.*

## Kelvin Grove Tennis Club, Newlands, Cape Town

Newlands is the heart of South African sport and Kelvin Grove Tennis Club shares its location with the famous Rugby and Cricket stadiums.

This internationally recognised club is affiliated to many leading clubs worldwide and offers the premium tennis venue in Cape Town.

Court types: **All weather**

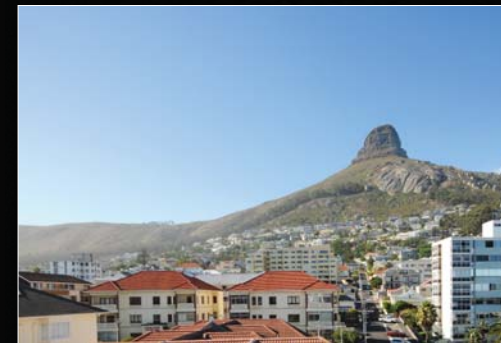


*Newlands, the sporting capital of South Africa*

## Fresnaye Sports Club, Fresnaye, Cape Town

The Fresnaye Sports Club is set below Lion's Head with panoramic views of Cape Town's Atlantic Seaboard. The Club was established in 1927 and Bowls, Tennis and Social activities have flourished since then in this idyllic, **wind-free** suburb.

Court types: **All weather**



*Fresnaye lies on the lower slopes of Signal Hill*

## Constantia Tennis Club, Constantia, Cape Town

The club is part of the Constantia Sports Complex in the beautiful Constantia Valley, situated in the leafy southern suburbs of Cape Town, South Africa.

Court types: **All weather**



*The famous vineyards of Constantia*

# THE CAPE BUZZ

— on the bustling waterfront —



## The Cape Grace, Victoria & Albert Waterfront

Built on a private pier within the V & A Waterfront, The Cape Grace has an enviable location, central yet exclusive.

The landmark exterior is matched on the inside with beautiful English country decor and plush, comfortable furnishings. Low key yet superbly attentive service means that you can enjoy the highest of standards in a relaxed and informal atmosphere.

The 119 rooms and suites are all large, with views either out over the working harbour, where the sun rises, or over the yacht basin, where the sun sets.

The restaurant serves an excellent choice of modern, South African-influenced cuisine, while the Bascule bar has the largest selection of whiskies in the southern hemisphere.



## The Cascades Collection, Sea Point

The Cascades Collection comprises three individually designed boutique hotels situated in Cape Town's chicest locale.

Les Cascades de Bantry Bay and The Cascades on 52, which are both within walking distance of Fresnaye Tennis Club, are perched on the slope of Lion's Head, overlooking the Atlantic Ocean, whilst Cascades on the Promenade is located in the buzzy Sea Point area.

The properties are just a stone's throw away from the bustling city, the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront, Table Mountain and the sandy beaches of Clifton and Camps Bay and feature vibrant and contemporary interiors, technologically advanced in-room amenities, superlative personalised service and award winning cuisine – all of which contribute to a feeling of intimacy and indulgence.



## Camps Bay Retreat, Camps Bay

Camps Bay Retreat 5 Star Boutique Hotel is a sanctuary for the soul, set on four acres of lush green nature reserve. With a mountain meditation pool, thickets of trees, waterfalls and streams, it is a peaceful paradise, where meditative moments are waiting to be had.

Views stretch across the ever-changing Atlantic Ocean and along the peaks of the Twelve Apostles Mountain Range, from the Deck House and The Villa. The estate has features such as four swimming pools, a tennis court, a spa and a fine dining restaurant.

Dine in the old world splendour of the original manor house, where The Retreat's executive chef creates a daily menu of gourmet fare, combining a symphony of fresh ingredients from local markets. Food is paired exquisitely with celebrated wines from the region, best experienced as part of a candlelit three course affair!



## The Last Word, Long Beach

The Last Word Long Beach is located right on the beach in the picturesque fishing village of Kommetjie. It is a 30-minute drive from Cape Town. Guests can enjoy the 8 km of fine sand set against a backdrop of the most stunning sea views.

The 5 Star boutique hotel has six luxurious rooms, all with comfortable interiors and private patios. Each spectacularly appointed room faces the sea, as do the bathrooms. The interior design incorporates tranquil blues, hand-painted fabrics with splashes of colour that compliment the exquisite coastal setting.

It is an unspoilt paradise in which to walk, ride horses, surf or simply laze in the sun. From the inviting pool or your private deck, you can watch whales frolic 100 m off shore and you can catch your own lobster in season.



# THE CAPE RIVIERA

— on the sandy beaches —



# THE REFINED CAPE

in the leafy suburbs



## The Vineyard Hotel & Spa Newlands

Situated in the lush leafy suburb of Newlands, with spectacular views of the eastern slopes of Table Mountain, this deluxe hotel is one of the finest in the Cape. It has two restaurants, a gift and an antique shop in the main reception area, a health and fitness centre with two heated swimming pools and a state-of-the-art gymnasium. The Vineyard Shop and the Splash Café are situated next to the large outdoor pool. Alongside is the internationally renowned Angsana Spa – a first in Cape Town, South Africa.

Since 1980 the well known landscape architect Anne Sutton has set about re-designing the six acres of garden, based on the theme of water gardens and features. It has developed into one of the most beautiful landscaped gardens in the Western Cape.



## Cellars Hohenort Constantia

The Cellars Hohenort is one of the Cape's great country house hotels. Situated on the eastern slopes of Table Mountain and adjacent to the world famous Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens the hotel has breathtaking views across the Constantia Valley to False Bay and is close to the Constantia Wine Route.

The five star Cellars Hohenort, Constantia combines two great traditions - the magnificent Cellars on the 18th century Klaassenbosch wine estate and the impressive Hohenort manor house.

The Cellars Hohenort combines traditional values with gracious living, antique furnishings and original art works adding to an ambience of understated luxury.



## Constantia Uitsig Constantia

Set amongst the vineyards of a private wine estate in the shadow of Cape Town's Table Mountain, the highly acclaimed Constantia Uitsig Hotel is just twenty minutes from Cape Town city centre and the V&A Waterfront.

Constantia Uitsig's tranquil surroundings, charming service and heartfelt hospitality are enhanced by its splendid location on a working wine estate. The hotel has sixteen garden rooms furnished with elegant simplicity and sweeping views of the gardens - a perfect resting place for the most discerning traveller. The recently opened Spa has been featured in Tatler's Guide to the Top Spas in the World 2007.



# BEYOND CAPE TOWN

— in the winelands & hermanus —

The famous Winelands region is an area of spectacular beauty, rugged mountains, fertile valleys, scenic mountain passes, historical monuments and of course acres upon acres of lush vineyards and world-famous wine estates.

A 45-minute drive from Cape Town, the Winelands is easily accessible as a day excursion, but a stay in this region is highly recommended.

In contrast, the seaside town of Hermanus on Walker Bay has become the whale watching capital of South Africa and the once quaint fishing village is a thriving town with an active artistic community and a fascinating cafe culture. Adrenaline addicts may be tempted by the ultimate thrill of Great White shark viewing from within a reinforced steel cage dropped into the teeming shark-infested waters! Hermanus is in easy driving distance of Cape Town.



## The Last Word, Franschhoek

The Last Word Franschhoek is a historic residence in the centre of what many regard as the most charming and picturesque village in the Winelands.

Elegantly restored in the Cape Huguenot tradition, the 5 star intimate hotel is right in the heart of what has become the utopia for food and wine lovers in the Cape. It's only a minute's walk from the many excellent award-winning restaurants and numerous character-filled boutique style shops and art galleries.



## The Marine, Hermanus

The owner-managed Marine is one of the southern hemisphere's most spectacular seaside Relais & Châteaux properties. Perched on the cliffs, overlooking Hermanus's Walker Bay, The Marine is home to 42 individually decorated bedrooms and suites.

In addition to its unforgettable setting The Marine offers guests the unique opportunity to experience the finest land-based whale watching in the world. From June to September these majestic creatures can be viewed from the comfort of a beautiful Marine sea-facing bedroom or suite. This centrally located property gives guests the unique opportunity to immerse themselves in Hermanus's famous café culture.

# BEYOND CAPE TOWN

—— along the garden route ——

Starting about 275 kms east of Cape Town, The Garden Route includes one of the most beautiful stretches of coastline in the world stretching some 200 kms between the towns of Heidelberg and Storm's River.

The region provides a stirring study in contrasts. The delightful town of George, known as "The Gateway to the Garden Route", graces a coastal plateau in a fertile area of lush greenery at the foot of the Outeniqua

Mountains. Oudtshoorn, "Capital of the Klein Karoo", is set in a semi-arid valley, providing the ideal habitat for ostriches which are farmed here on a grand scale. Mountains crowd close to a shoreline dotted with beaches and bays, and vividly coloured wild flowers delight the eye. At the eastern end The Tsitsikamma National Park, perched on a tumultuous Indian Ocean shore is one of South Africa's most dramatic protected areas, combining marine and land attractions. Its indigenous forests are a haven for birdlife.

## Kurland

Kurland Hotel, near the picturesque beach resorts of Plettenberg Bay and Nature's Valley, in the heart of the Garden Route in South Africa.

This Tatler award winning 5 star small luxury hotel has just 12 suites, and has acquired a reputation as an exclusive hideaway. Kurland Hotel is located on a vast 700 hectare (1700 acre) Estate of great natural beauty, between the mountains and the pristine beaches of Nature's Valley. The vistas are breathtaking.



## The Plettenberg

The Plettenberg, a 5 star Relais and Chateaux Hotel built on a rocky headland with breathtaking vistas of the sea, mountains and miles of golden sand in one of the most spectacular resorts in Africa - Plettenberg Bay.

The 38 luxury rooms and suites are all air-conditioned and offer a truly idyllic and indulgent experience. There are two swimming pools, one of which is heated, and both visually flow into the ocean below.

Experience fabulous sightings of dolphins and whales in the bay from the hotel terraces.



# BEYOND CAPE TOWN

## on safari

At the eastern fringes of the spectacular Garden Route beyond the bustling coastal town of Port Elizabeth there lies a diverse collection of private game reserves offering a comprehensive wildlife experience ideal for a first time safari. We are also able to arrange safaris to Kruger and Madikwe in South Africa and to neighbouring Botswana, Namibia, Zimbabwe & Zambia.

### Kichaka (Near Port Elizabeth)

Set between two streams in a lush bushveld valley, Kichaka Lodge is an exclusive five star lodge located within a Big 5 game reserve, in the malaria free Eastern Cape.

This luxury lodge sleeps 20 people in 10 secluded stone and thatch suites. Each secluded, air-conditioned suite has a viewing deck where guests are treated to spectacular views, its own private plunge pool, a fully-stocked bar fridge and free wireless internet access.

Experienced rangers maximise every opportunity to ensure exceptional viewing during game drives on this established 20,000 acre game reserve. Excellent sightings of lion, elephant, rhino and buffalo, as well as cheetah, hippo, giraffe, hyena, zebra, warthog and numerous species of antelope are enjoyed on game drives across the open plains of the reserve.



### Kariega (Near Port Elizabeth)

This family owned and operated, private game reserve spans nearly 9,000 hectares of pristine African wilderness incorporating the picturesque Kariega and Bushman's Rivers. Kariega game lodge offers a unique combination of awesome Big-5 game viewing with an expansive variety of fauna, flora and birdlife in a landscape that incorporates 5 different eco-systems, displaying the most dramatic views and vistas. The experience is very powerful and authentically African.

The game lodges offer luxury accommodation combined with first class African lion safaris.



### Savanna (Sabi Sands Reserve)

An exclusive 5 star lodge, Savanna is situated in the internationally famous Sabi Sand Reserve within the greater Kruger National Park conservancy. Savanna lies in an area where 'Big 5' sightings are so frequent, it is not unusual to see lion, leopard, elephant, buffalo and rhino in a single game drive. Specially designed game viewing vehicles and highly trained guides with vast knowledge of the African bushveld, take guests on close and intimate encounters with a large variety of wildlife.

Nine magnificent suites offer spacious and luxurious accommodation. Seven of the suites have tented roofs, blending the elegance of a by-gone colonial era with all the convenience of modern facilities.



# BEYOND THE CAPE

— in the indian ocean —

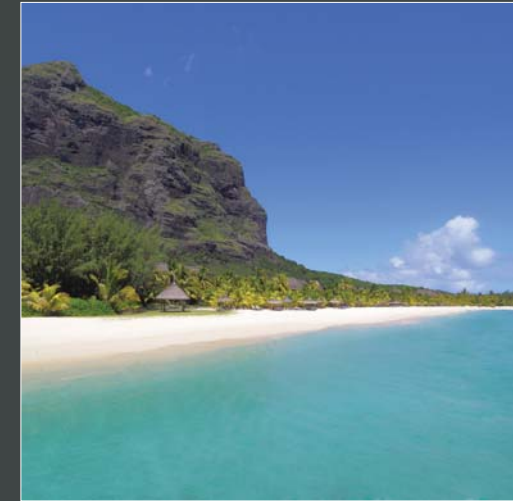
**What better way to round off a memorable holiday than to spend days lazing beside the warm waters of the Indian Ocean. South Africa is a natural hub from which to travel onwards to tropical hotspots like the wonderful island of Mauritius or perhaps search out remoter “bare foot” retreats off the coast of Mozambique.**



## Mauritius

Picture-perfect Mauritius is the most accessible island in the Indian Ocean, but with no charter flights it is also one of the most consistent luxury beach destinations in the world, where 5-star luxury is delivered in a tantalising range of resorts drawing their inspiration from many cultures reflecting the island's own eclectic roots as an important crossroads of worldwide trade.

A garland of coral white sands encircle a dramatic highland interior that consistently deliver inspiring backdrops.



## Mozambique (Benguerra & Quirimbas)

Mozambique offers the ultimate in 'barefoot luxury' beach holidays. With its white, palm-fringed beaches and coral reefs, the easy vibe of Mozambique appeals to all especially, romantic castaways.

Of course the best known asset of Mozambique is its fabulous Indian Ocean beaches. The mix of unspoilt beaches, turquoise waters, world class scuba diving and delicious Portuguese seafood cuisine is an unbeatable combination. The tropical island retreats on Bazaruto and Benguerra islands and the Quirimbas Archipelago provide luxurious and tranquil surroundings, with great diving and snorkelling.



## GAME SET AND MATCH

*The tennis players’ “Grand Slam” holiday itinerary*

- Day 1

Arrive Cape Town Airport – where you will be met and transferred to the Cellars- Hohenort Hotel (or your chosen hotel). Your included rental car will be delivered when convenient to you.
- Days 2–7

We would suggest that your tennis is scheduled for mornings – when the courts are generally quieter and the weather is most acceptable for play – enjoy the hotel’s own all weather tennis court or use your membership of Constancia Tennis Club or Kelvin Grove . Following tennis why not enjoy a fabulous lunch in one of our recommended Wine Estate Restaurants?
- Day 8

Take a leisurely drive east for an overnight stop in historic Swellendam at one of our recommended hotels.
- Day 9-11

Continue east to enjoy the best of the “Garden Route” from your stay at Kurland (nr. Plettenberg) where we can arrange private coaching on the hotel’s all weather court.
- Day 12-13

Drive east via Port Elizabeth to Kariega Game Reserve and enjoy the other BIG Game in Africa from the comfort and luxury of Kariega’s River Lodge.
- Day 14

Return your hire car to Port Elizabeth for your connecting flight back to the UK. There are departures daily.

## TENNIS WINE & FOOD

*The Epicurean exercise regime itinerary*

- Day 1

Transfer to Constantia Uitsig.
- Days 2–7

Enjoy some of the best tennis facilities in Cape Town with your membership of Constantia TC and Kelvin Grove. Following tennis why not enjoy a fabulous lunch in one of our recommended Wine Estate Restaurants?
- Day 8-10

Take the short journey to South Africa’s gourmet capital – Franschhoek - where we will be delighted to make wine estate and restaurant suggestions. From vineyard picnics to fine dining tasting menus the choice is yours to explore.
- Day 11-13

Enjoy a few days’ rest and relaxation at the superbly positioned Marine in Hermanus where you can sit and watch the whales in Walker Bay (seasonal, ask for details) and enjoy the cafe culture of Hermanus.
- Day 14

Return your rental car to Cape Town Airport prior to your return to the UK.

## TENNIS PARTY

*The itinerary for the young and young at heart!*

- Day 1

Arrive Cape Town and transfer to one of the individual properties of the Cascades Collection in Bantry Bay / Sea Point. These fabulous boutique hotels offer something for all budgets and preferences.
- Days 2–10

We base this holiday at one hotel so that you can get to enjoy all that this vibrant and fun area of Cape Town has to offer. We would suggest that your tennis will take place at the friendly and relaxed Fresnaye Tennis Club perched on the western slopes of Table Mountain it offers a truly great location to enjoy some top class coaching in a sociable environment - if you choose to stay at Les Cascades or Cascades on 52 you can even walk to and from the club.
- Day 11

Depart for the UK
- Please note this holiday can be enjoyed with or without a hire car – please let us discuss your individual needs.*



### ONE OF OUR FAVOURITE DAYS

An early “energy” breakfast followed by an hour’s personal tennis coaching (to finally get that elusive backhand) and following a freshen-up head to one of the fantastic restaurants on a Cape Wine Estate to enjoy a leisurely and well deserved lunch before heading into The V&A Waterfront to savour the sights and sounds of this vibrant area.

### HOW DO YOU ENSURE COMPETITIVE PRICING?

Please note our prices are always quoted on an individual basis – this means we can take advantage of any lower / special rates and improved exchange rates.

### WHAT CAN YOU DO FOR NON-TENNIS PLAYERS?

Should you not be a budding Nadal or Sharapova all our holidays are available to the non-tennis player. Perhaps your own sporting interests lie elsewhere be it golf, cycling, walking, sailing – just let us know as we will be happy to discuss your own special holiday.

### I WOULD PREFER NOT TO SELF-DRIVE...

Should you not wish to drive in South Africa we are able to arrange for transfers throughout any itinerary – if you are venturing away from Cape Town this will be with your own private driver /guide who will be able to show you their South Africa.

### WE HAVE PLAYERS OF DIFFERENT STANDARD...

Please remember our flexibility allows you, whether a complete beginner or accomplished club player, to enjoy your tennis when you want – we find that many couples have different levels of ability but we are able to accommodate that with our flexible coaching.

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