



Riding the Swartberg Mountains

SOUTHERN CROSS

The Perfect Introduction to Africa

This trip through South Africa and Swaziland offers an unforgettable Adventure for riders who wish to enjoy the unique experience of traveling in Africa by motorcycle. This 14-day Adventure could be named “Best of South Africa”, as it includes more of South Africa’s highlights than you’ll find in any other South African tour.

Although our route is totally paved and ideal for two-up riding, this tour offers exciting off-pavement alternate routes as well. Off-pavement opportunities include South Africa’s Swartberg Pass, Prince Alfred Pass, Montague Pass, Swaziland’s Saddleback Pass, and others.

Multiple game drives, including evening game drives, are an important part of this exceptional experience. Kruger National Park is one of the largest game reserves in Africa and covers more than 7,000 square miles - larger than the state of Connecticut. The *Southern Cross* is the only motorcycle tour that features overnight stays *within* the park, allowing for evening game drives.

Key attractions include:

- Cape Town Waterfront – the most popular destination in this beautiful city
- Overnight accommodations in an upscale boutique lodge featuring private balconies overlooking the ocean at the southernmost point of the African continent – where the Atlantic and Indian oceans meet
- An overnight stay at an ostrich farm in South Africa’s Klein Karoo
- A two-night stay at a premium hotel on the waterfront in Knysna - a small South African town that has been recognized as South Africa’s favorite vacation spot
- An overnight stay in Swaziland, with a ride through the beautiful Swazi Mountains
- The “Grand Finale” – two nights in a luxury game lodge located *within* Kruger National Park which allows for evening game drives. Some competitors offer a game drive through the park but only Ayres Adventures offers two nights inside the park allowing for this exceptional wildlife-viewing experience.

14 days, Cape Town to Johannesburg, South Africa

March 10 - 23, 2018 / September 22 - October 5, 2018

March 9 - 22, 2019 / September 21 - October 4, 2019

ITINERARY

- Day 1** - Arrive Cape Town
- Day 2** - Cape Town to Cape L'Agulhas, 173 miles
- Day 3** - Cape L'Agulhas to Oudtshoorn, 201 miles
- Day 4** - Oudtshoorn to Knysna, 93 miles
- Day 5** - Knysna Free Day
- Day 6** - Knysna to Fort D'Acre, 275 miles
- Day 7** - Fort D'Acre to Port St. Johns, 267 miles
- Day 8** - Port St. Johns to Himeville, 176 miles
- Day 9** - Himeville to Dundee, 208 miles
- Day 10** - Dundee to Piggs Peak, 217 miles
- Day 11** - Piggs Peak to Kruger National Park, 62 miles
- Day 12** - Kruger National Park Free Day
- Day 13** - Kruger National Park to Sandton, 298 miles
- Day 14** - Depart Johannesburg

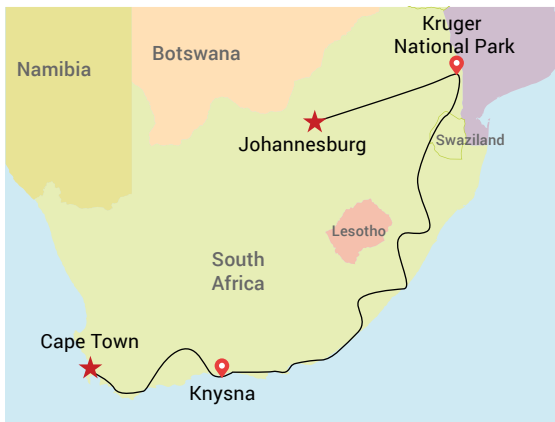
Total ~ 1,970 miles



Kruger National Park, South Africa

We could not have asked for better leaders and can't imagine a tour without them. We loved Jason's enthusiasm for the history and culture of his country and appreciated the way he shared it with us at our morning ride briefings; and we loved how John rounded it out with more contemporary details and highlights. They both went out of their way time and again to do all the little things that made the trip so very special! (Such as the "traditional" shot of heat, the ostrich egg breakfast, Trivia night, Pat's shirt, retrieving Cliff's phone, off-bike rides in the truck when the weather or traffic was not the best for passengers, the list goes on!!)

- Mike and Sue McKenrick, Fort Ashby, WV



African Sunset

PRICING

- Rider:** \$8,200
 - Co-rider:** \$5,300
 - Single Room Supplement:** \$1,425
 - Booking Deposit:** \$800 per person
- Includes **BMW F700GS**

Price includes upscale accommodations, luxury lodge in Kruger NP, game drives, à la carte dining, all breakfasts, 12 dinners, airport transfers, trip booklet.

MOTORCYCLE UPGRADE CHARGES

- BMW G310R:** deduct \$700
- BMW F800GS:** \$100
- BMW F800GS Adv:** \$150
- Honda Africa Twin:** \$150
- BMW R1200GS LC:** \$650
- BMW R1200R LC:** \$650
- BMW R1200GS Adv LC, R1200RT LC:** \$1,050
- BMW K1600GT, K1600GTL:** \$1,350

RIDING CONDITIONS

The route is entirely paved, with a variety of road features. The route over the Swartberg Pass consists of 18 miles of gravel and is entirely optional.