

MULTIGENERATIONAL FAMILY JOURNEYS · 14 NIGHTS

South Africa *Complete*

At Birkenhead House the whales come into Walker Bay below the cliff from about June to November. You watch them from the terrace with a cup of coffee.

AT A GLANCE

NIGHTS	PARTY	COUNTRIES
14	4–6 guests	South Africa

FROM	BEST SEASON
Price on application	Year-round; whales June–November

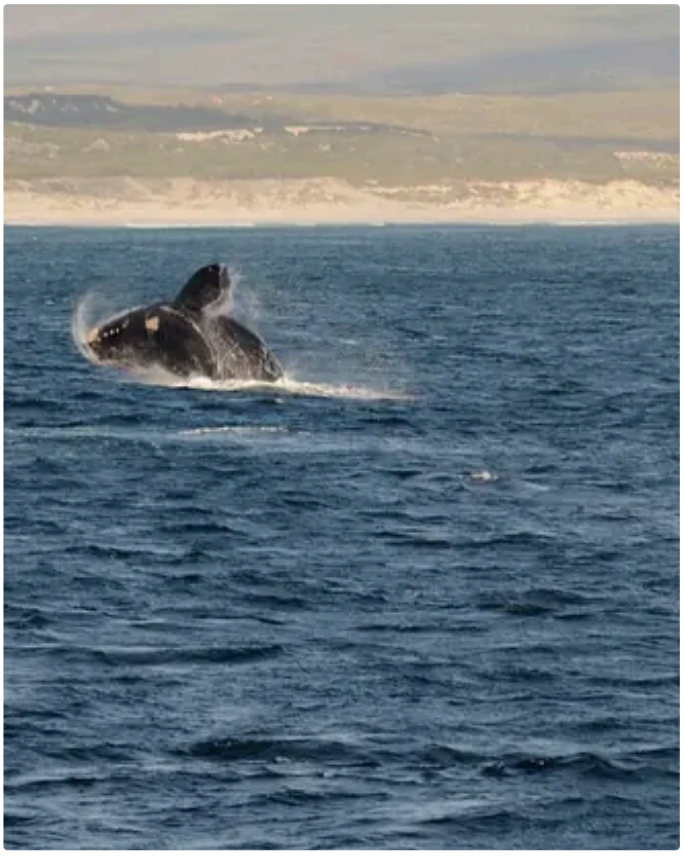
One country, one passport stamp, and most of what South Africa does well. Cape Town, the whales of Walker Bay, the Big Five in fynbos at Gondwana, Addo's elephants, leopard in the Sabi Sand and meerkats in the Kalahari. All of it is linked by one private aircraft, with the occasional drive where the road is the better way.

Malaria, plainly: Cape Town, Hermanus, Gondwana, Addo, Tswalu and Johannesburg are all malaria-free. The three nights in the Sabi Sand are in a malaria area. If anyone in a family of four to six cannot take prophylaxis, we replace the Sabi Sand with Madikwe in North West Province, which is malaria-free, and the rest of the trip stays the same.

Highlights

- A helicopter flight over the Cape Peninsula
- Southern right whales from the cliff at Birkenhead House in season
- Malaria-free Big Five at Gondwana and Addo
- Your own villa at Cheetah Plains for three nights of leopard country
- Meerkats at dawn at Tswalu in the Kalahari





The route

DAY 1–2

Cape Town · Belmond Mount Nelson

Family suites at the Mount Nelson, with its big garden and family pool. Day one: a private helicopter over the Peninsula. Day two: Constantia's wine estates for the adults, the Boulders Beach penguins for the children, and lunch together at Babel at Babylonstoren.

DAY 3

Cape Town → Hermanus

Your own vehicle along Clarence Drive on the False Bay coast to Hermanus. One night at Birkenhead House on the cliff above Walker Bay, with the in-house chef. From June to November, whales from the terrace.

DAY 4

Hermanus → Gondwana

A long drive east through the Overberg, with lunch on the way, to Gondwana Private Game Reserve near Mossel Bay.

DAY 4–5

Gondwana · 2 nights

Family suites in a Big Five reserve in fynbos. Drives at the family's pace, the fynbos walk for the children, sundowners above the valley.

DAY 6

Gondwana → Addo

Pilatus PC-12 class turboprop from Mossel Bay to Gqeberha, then road to Gorah Elephant Camp, inside Addo Elephant National Park.

DAY 6–7

Gorah Elephant Camp · 2 nights

Adjacent suites at a colonial-style camp inside the park. Elephants are the point of Addo, and drives here rarely go long without them.

DAY 8

Addo → Sabi Sand

Turboprop north to the Arathusa strip. Malaria area for the next three nights.

DAY 8–10

Cheetah Plains · 3 nights

One of the three villas, let whole to your family, with four suites for up to eight, a pool, a chef and your own electric vehicle, guide and team. Over the festive season, 20 December to 4 January, a villa takes a minimum of six guests. The Sabi Sand is leopard country, and three nights gives you time to find them.

DAY 11

Sabi Sand → Tswalu

Turboprop west to Tswalu's own airstrip in the Kalahari. Malaria-free again.

DAY 11–13

Tswalu, The Motse · 3 nights

A family legae at the Motse; families of five or six add a second. Tswalu asks for at least two nights, three in peak season, so you have three. Meerkats at dawn, the lion pride on a morning drive, a sunset drive across the red dunes. Tarkuni, Tswalu's private homestead, on request.

DAY 14

Tswalu → Johannesburg

Turboprop to Johannesburg. A last night at The Saxon and dinner at Grei.

DAY 15

Home

Road to O.R. Tambo for your international flights.

Flown by turboprop and helicopter. How we choose the aircraft

How each generation spends the days

Grandparents

Wine estates in Constantia, the whales from a chair on the terrace, short drives in Addo, the villa deck at Cheetah Plains.

Parents

The Peninsula by helicopter, long Sabi Sand drives for leopard, Kalahari evenings.

Children

Penguins at Boulders, a Big Seven list to tick off in Addo, the fynbos walk at Gondwana, sitting very still next to the meerkats.

Included

- Private air throughout in one Pilatus PC-12 or King Air 350 class turboprop
- Family suites in Cape Town, Hermanus and Gondwana; adjacent suites at Gorah; a private villa at Cheetah Plains; a family legae at Tswalu (two for five or six); suites at The Saxon
- Private vehicle and guide throughout, with a second vehicle on request
- All meals and drinks on safari and at Birkenhead House
- Peninsula helicopter flight, game drives, the fynbos walk, the Tswalu meerkats
- Madikwe in place of the Sabi Sand for families who need to avoid malaria
- Medical evacuation cover for the whole party
- Pre-departure pack and a coffee-table book of the journey afterwards

Price on application. Every family is different, so we price each journey on the number of guests and the ages of the children. Excludes international flights.

Treat this journey as a starting point. Your Journey Architect will change the pace, swap a lodge, add a round or take one out.