



7 DAY WILD COAST WILDERNESS

SOUTH AFRICAN SAFARI

This is a stunning 7 Day South African Safari combining the beautiful Wild Coast with it's pristine beaches, dolphins and whales, with the safari experience of Shamwari and Samara Game Reserves. It includes some of the most spectacular scenery in South Africa, as well as some amazing close encounters with Africa's Big Game.

Accommodation is upmarket and at times luxurious, and varies between traditional chalets on the beach to the comfort and luxury of Shamwari's Five Star Safari camps.

COSTS - \$5000 PER AIRCRAFT, MIN 3 AIRCRAFT. (Includes 20 hours Safari Flying)

ACCOMMODATION - \$2850 PER PERSON SHARING (Includes 7 Night's Accommodation on Safari).

Single Occupancy costs an additional 30% on the accommodation rates

Day 1 – EVA'S FIELD TO WAVECREST BEACH HOTEL - Depart early from our base at Eva's Field for the Wild Coast – joining the coast near Mkambathi Nature Reserve, and following the spectacular Wild Coast, passing waterfalls plunging into the sea, massive pods of dolphins and even whales. We land regularly to enjoy the sights and sounds of the Indian Ocean. +-220nm and +- 4 hrs flying time. Overnight at Wavecrest Hotel, right on the beach.



In formation along the Wild Coast



Wavecrest Beach Hotel on the Wild Coast

Day 2: SUNRISE FLIGHT TO EXPLORE THE WILD COAST – Takeoff at sunrise to explore the beautiful inland rivers and coastline of the Wild Coast. Picnic breakfast along the way. Return late morning to relax and enjoy the beach and spa for the rest of the day. +-3 hours flying time.



Pristine beaches and rivers along the Wild Coast



Nothing more rewarding for a pilot than landing on an isolated stretch of beach

Day 3 – WAVECREST TO SHAMWARI GAME RESERVE – We depart after an early breakfast, and route along the coast to the Fish River mouth, then along the Fish River for some way before diverting to Shamwari Game Reserve, where we indulge in the luxury of their service and accommodation for 2 nights. Arrive in time for lunch and the afternoon Game Drive in the Big 5 Reserve. 160nm and +-3 hours flying time.



Luxurious accommodation in Shamwari Game reserve

Day 4 – NON-FLYING DAY – We relax and enjoy the activities on Shamwari, including two Safari drives.



Close encounters with Africa's Big 5

Day 5 – SHAMWARI TO SAMARA GAME RESERVE - We fly inland from Shamwari to Samara Game Reserve in the heart of the Karoo. Samara is home to Cheetah that have become used to humans in close proximity, and can be tracked and followed on foot ensuring amazing close encounters with these big cats. *120nm, +-2.5 hours of flying time.*



Samara is famous for close encounters with Cheetah

Day 6 – NON-FLYING DAY - Explore Samara Game Reserve and its wildlife



Day 7 – SAMARA TO QUEENSTOWN – We take off after breakfast for Queenstown, a historic Frontier town that was the base of 47 Air Navigation School during the Second World War, and home to a collection of beautiful historic aircraft owned by Mark Sahd. We visit this collection which includes a De Havilland Rapide (one of very few flying examples left in the world), a Chipmunk, Tiger Moth and Auster. We spend some time on an historic tour of the Queenstown airfield in the company of some of the local pilots. Overnight in comfort at local Game reserve.
120nm, +-2.5 hours flying time.



De Havilland Rapide in Queenstown

Day 8 – QUEENSTOWN TO EVA’S FIELD. We return to our base, Eva’s Field, skirting east of the massive Drakensberg Mountains, arriving by early afternoon. *230nm and approx. 4.5 hours flying time.*

COSTS: from **US\$5850** per person sharing. *Minimum of 5 participants in 3 Aircraft with guide pilot.*

Included in the Rates:

- **Includes 20 hours of Safari Flying.** *This is the minimum number of hours for the Safari, and are not refundable should the Safari be affected by weather or other circumstances beyond our control. Any extra hours flown will be billed at the standard rate of \$250/hr.*
- **Includes all meals and accommodation while on Safari.** *(Please note this does not include the cost of accommodation prior to or after the completion of the Safari).*
- **Includes aircraft, fuel, instructor/safety pilot/s and all logistical backup services required while on safari.**
- **Collection and return from Pietermaritzburg Airport, and transfer to your accommodation prior to the Safari departure.**
- **Shuttle to and from Eva’s Field, our base.**

Not Included in Rates:

- Accommodation prior to or after the 7 Day Flying Safari.
- Pilot License Validations and local flying prior to the Safari.
- License Validation administration fee is \$100. Minimum 1 Hour validation test flight @\$200
- Alcoholic beverages
- Additional hours flown
- Local Transfers where required between airstrips and lodges.
- Additional nights in particular accommodation due to being grounded by bad weather.
- \$250 Insurance Excess Payment. Pilots are required to purchase a sub-insurance policy to cover the deductible portion of the Flying Frontiers Insurance policy.

Terms and Conditions:

Unless you are an experienced taildragger or bush pilot, we highly recommend arriving 4 days prior to the start of your Safari, in order to complete your South African license validation, and participate in our Advanced Bushflying Course.

This involves approx. 6-10 hours of individual instruction on our Bush Planes (either Savage or Savannah), and provides you with the necessary skills and confidence to take on the adventure of Bush Flying in Africa. The cost of the course is \$200 per flying hour (\$1200-\$2000).

We can arrange excellent accommodation nearby prior to and after the Safaris, and the cost is approx. \$75 per night per person, meals included.

RELEASE FROM LIABILITY: Each safari participant will be required to sign a “Liability Release” form before departure on a Safari. The content of this document is two-fold: 1) that the safari participant broadly acknowledges his or her own responsibility for his or her own actions in participating in a self-fly Safari, and any subsequent consequences; 2) the safari participant agrees that Flying Frontiers and African Bushflying Safaris will not be held liable for injury, death, damages or other loss suffered by the safari participant arising from his or her participation in a Flying Safari.

As far as possible, we remain on schedule, but do not take risks with weather. We fly strictly VFR, and the guide/instructors make the final decision on weather and other conditions.

In the event we are required to spend an additional night/s, these are billed as extras. We do as far as possible try to get refunds for nights not spent on route, but this is not guaranteed.

If lodges listed are not available for the specific Safari Dates, African Bushflying Safaris has the right to choose alternative accommodation in the similar area.

A payment of 50% of the full Safari cost is required to confirm the Safari. The balance is due 30 days prior to arrival.