



Itinerary

18 Day Luxury Africa Cruise With Flights

***IMPORTANT NOTE:** Any extra nights, optional tours or other amendments, will not be visible on this itinerary.

Day 1: Depart Australia

Today you will depart Australia for your flight to Africa.

NOTE: Depending on airline schedules and availability, you may be required to depart on Day 0.

MEALS: In-Flight

OVERNIGHT: In-Flight

Day 2: Arrive Cape Town, South Africa

Upon arrival in Cape Town, make your own way to your hotel and spend the rest of the day at leisure.

MEALS: Nil

OVERNIGHT: Southern Sun The Cullinan, Cape Town

Day 3: Cape Town, South Africa ~ Free Day

Enjoy a full day at leisure to explore Cape Town at your own pace. You may choose to visit the vibrant Victoria & Alfred Waterfront, explore local markets, or relax at one of the city's beautiful beaches.

Alternatively, take in some of Cape Town's iconic sights, such as Table Mountain or the scenic coastal drives that surround the city. With its mix of natural beauty, culture and world-class dining, Cape Town offers something for every traveller.

MEALS: Breakfast

OVERNIGHT: Southern Sun The Cullinan, Cape Town

Day 4: Cape Town, South Africa ~ Free Day

Today is yours to further explore Cape Town or venture beyond the city. You may wish to visit Boulders Beach to see the famous African penguins, or take a full day tour to the Cape Winelands, where rolling vineyards and historic towns such as Stellenbosch offer excellent wine tasting opportunities.

For those seeking something more relaxed, enjoy a long lunch at a local restaurant, take in ocean views along the coastline, or simply unwind at your hotel ahead of your upcoming expedition.

MEALS: Breakfast

OVERNIGHT: Southern Sun The Cullinan, Cape Town

Day 5: Cape Town, South Africa ~ Embark Ship

This morning, enjoy breakfast at your hotel before checking out. Depending on your embarkation time, you may have some additional time to explore or relax before your journey continues.

At the appropriate time, make your own way to the port to board SH Diana, your elegant expedition ship for the voyage ahead. After embarkation, settle into your cabin and take time to explore the ship's premium facilities.

As the evening begins, enjoy your first dinner onboard while meeting fellow travellers and preparing for the incredible journey ahead.

APPROXIMATE DEPARTURE TIME: 06:00pm

MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner

OVERNIGHT: SH Diana

Day 6: Langebaan, South Africa

Today you arrive in Langebaan, a beautiful coastal lagoon known for its calm waters, abundant birdlife and spectacular natural scenery. Langebaan Lagoon is a paradise for water sports, fishing and wildlife viewing, with wetlands and tidal mud flats that attract flamingos, thousands of migratory birds and the world's largest breeding colony of black harriers.

The lagoon is protected within the West Coast National Park, home to unique wildlife known as the "Slow Five": tortoises, whales, sand sharks, porcupines and dune moles. You may also visit the nearby West Coast Fossil Park, where the remarkable discovery of Eve's Footprint, believed to be the oldest modern human footprint at over 100,000 years old, provides fascinating insight into early human history.

APPROXIMATE ARRIVAL TIME: 08:00am

APPROXIMATE DEPARTURE TIME: 09:00pm

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

OVERNIGHT: SH Diana

Day 7: Day at Sea

Today you will enjoy a relaxing day at sea as your ship continues its journey along the coast. Take the opportunity to enjoy the many facilities onboard, whether that is unwinding in the sauna, working out in the state-of-the-art gym or soaking in the hot tub while enjoying the incredible ocean views.

You may also wish to attend one of the informative onboard presentations or speak with the knowledgeable expedition experts to learn more about the destinations, wildlife and history of the region you are exploring.

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

OVERNIGHT: SH Diana

Day 8: Lüderitz, Namibia

Today you arrive in Lüderitz, a colourful coastal town perched on a windswept rocky hillside along Namibia's dramatic Atlantic coastline. Once a German colony, the town still reflects its European heritage with distinctive German Art Nouveau architecture, including the impressive Goerke Haus mansion and the unique Felsenkirche Lutheran Church built directly into the surrounding rocks.

Beyond the town lies the vast and rugged Namib Desert, one of the oldest deserts on Earth. Nearby you may explore the haunting ghost town of Kolmanskop, once a thriving diamond mining settlement now slowly being reclaimed by desert sands, or discover stories of wild desert horses and remarkable survival in this harsh yet beautiful landscape.

APPROXIMATE ARRIVAL TIME: 07:00am

APPROXIMATE DEPARTURE TIME: 03:00pm

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

OVERNIGHT: SH Diana

Day 9: Walvis Bay, Namibia

Today you arrive in Walvis Bay, Namibia's main coastal harbour and a haven for birdlife. The natural tidal lagoon and surrounding wetlands attract thousands of flamingos and migratory birds, making it one of the most important wetland areas along the African coastline. Just beyond town, the remote Pelican Point sand spit is home to large colonies of Cape fur seals, while whales and dolphins are often seen swimming offshore.

Spend the day exploring this fascinating coastal region or simply enjoy the relaxed atmosphere of the harbour before returning to the ship this evening.

APPROXIMATE ARRIVAL TIME: 09:00am

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

OVERNIGHT: SH Diana

Day 10: Walvis Bay, Namibia

Today you have further time to explore the spectacular landscapes surrounding Walvis Bay. Optional experiences include dune jeep safaris across the towering sand dunes of the Namib Desert, visiting the local Mondesa township to meet residents and learn about local culture, or taking a scenic flight or hot air

balloon ride for breathtaking views over the desert and coastline.

In the harbour area you can also enjoy restaurants serving freshly caught seafood and traditional German inspired dishes that reflect the region's colonial heritage before returning to the ship for another relaxing evening onboard.

APPROXIMATE DEPARTURE TIME: 06:00pm

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

OVERNIGHT: SH Diana

Day 11: Day at Sea

Today you will enjoy a relaxing day at sea as your ship continues its journey along the coast. Take advantage of the excellent facilities onboard, whether that is unwinding in the sauna, working out in the state-of-the-art gym, or soaking in the hot tub while enjoying the ever-changing ocean views.

You may also wish to attend one of the informative onboard presentations or spend time speaking with the knowledgeable expedition team to learn more about the wildlife, landscapes and destinations you will encounter along the way.

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

OVERNIGHT: SH Diana

Day 12: Ilha Baía dos Tigres, Angola

Today you visit the remote and mysterious Ilha Baía dos Tigres, also known as Tiger Island, located off the coast of Angola's Namibe Province. Once connected to the mainland by a narrow isthmus, the peninsula became an island almost overnight when the ocean broke through, forcing residents to abandon their homes and leaving behind an eerie ghost town.

Surrounded by clear blue waters, sweeping sand dunes and untouched beaches, the island offers a striking and desolate landscape rarely visited by travellers. Its abandoned buildings and remote setting create a fascinating glimpse into a forgotten place shaped by nature and time.

APPROXIMATE ARRIVAL TIME: 08:00am

APPROXIMATE DEPARTURE TIME: 02:00pm

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

OVERNIGHT: SH Diana

Day 13: Namibe (Moçâmedes), Angola

Today you arrive in Namibe, also known as Moçâmedes, a historic coastal port founded by the Portuguese in the 19th century. Once an important trading settlement, the town today features colourful colonial architecture, scenic beaches and several historic buildings, including a unique abandoned cinema

known for its striking spaceship-like design.

Namibe is also the gateway to the vast Namib Desert, where towering sand dunes stretch across the landscape. The region is home to the remarkable *Welwitschia mirabilis* plant, an ancient species that can live for over 2,000 years and is one of the most unusual and resilient plants found in the desert environment.

APPROXIMATE ARRIVAL TIME: 08:00am

APPROXIMATE DEPARTURE TIME: 06:00pm

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

OVERNIGHT: SH Diana

Day 14: Day at Sea

Enjoy a relaxing day at sea as your journey continues along the coast. Take time to make the most of the excellent facilities onboard, whether that means unwinding in the sauna, enjoying a workout in the state-of-the-art gym, or relaxing in the hot tub while taking in the stunning ocean views.

You may also wish to attend one of the informative presentations hosted by the expedition team or spend time chatting with the knowledgeable experts to learn more about the destinations, wildlife and history of the region you are exploring.

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

OVERNIGHT: SH Diana

Day 15: Luanda, Angola ~ Disembark Ship

Today you arrive in Luanda, the capital of Angola and one of Africa's most important port cities. After breakfast onboard, disembark the ship and make your way to your hotel for check in.

Once a key Portuguese colonial centre, Luanda today blends historic landmarks with a rapidly developing modern skyline. After settling into your hotel, the remainder of the day is free to relax or begin discovering the city at your own pace.

APPROXIMATE ARRIVAL TIME: 08:00am

MEALS: Breakfast

OVERNIGHT: 4 or 5 Star Hotel, Luanda

Day 16: Luanda, Angola ~ Free Day

Enjoy a full day at leisure to explore Luanda and discover more of Angola's vibrant capital.

You may wish to visit the striking Iron Palace, a prefabricated structure often attributed to Gustave Eiffel, or explore the impressive 16th century São Miguel Fortress, which overlooks the harbour and offers sweeping views across the bay.

The historic Cidade Alta district is also worth exploring, where colourful colonial buildings sit alongside the Presidential Palace and important government offices. For a more modern side of the city, head to Ilha do Cabo, a lively peninsula known for its waterfront restaurants, vibrant atmosphere and beautiful ocean views.

MEALS: Breakfast

OVERNIGHT: 4 or 5 Star Hotel, Luanda

Day 17: Depart Luanda, Angola

Today, check out of your hotel and make your own way to the airport to begin your journey home.

MEALS: Breakfast, In-Flight

OVERNIGHT: In-Flight

Day 18: Arrive Australia

Today you arrive home after your African adventure.

NOTE: Depending on airline schedules and availability, you may be required to arrive on Day 19.

MEALS: In-Flight