



MONTESSORI TOURS AND TRAVEL

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2020 Montessori South Africa Study Tour **10 July 2020 – 24 July 2020**

In conjunction with GPS Tours, MT&T brings you this unique window into the wonderful work of South Africa's dedicated Montessorians across the broad economic spectrum of the country.

Friday 10 July 2020: Cape Town

6:00pm Meet your travelling companions at The Commodore Hotel, Cape Town.

Meals: Reception

Saturday 11 July 2020: Cape Town

8:30am Half day City Orientation Tour and Table Mountain. (Trip to top of Table Mountain at own cost weather permitting.) Afternoon at leisure.

6:00pm Cultural dinner and entertainment. Drinks at own cost.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Sunday 12 July 2020: Cape Town

9:00am Full day Cape Peninsula Tour, travelling the entire Peninsula, including Cape Point, Cape of Good Hope, Chapmans Peak Drive and the African Penguin Colony. We will pass Clifton, Camps Bay, Hout Bay Simons Town, Kalk Bay and Muizenberg.

Evening at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast

Monday 13 July 2020: Cape Town

8:30am Visit Auburn House Montessori School. (<http://www.auburnhouse.co.za>)

Afternoon at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast

Tuesday 14 July 2020: Cape Town

8:30am Visit Newbury House Montessori School in Somerset West.

(<https://www.newberryhouse.com>)

Afternoon wine tasting at two wine farms in the Stellenbosch Winelands Region. Tasting fee included.

Evening at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast

Wednesday 15 July 2020: Cape Town

8:30am Visit Sustainability Institute for presentation, school visit, tree planting, working with our hands in 'community work', presentation by Indaba Foundation, lunch and dinner.

(<https://www.sustainabilityinstitute.net>) (<https://www.indaba-foundation.org>)

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Thursday 16 July 2020: Kuzuko Game Reserve

9:00am Check out of hotel, transfer to Cape Town International Airport and fly to Port Elizabeth.

(Flight at own cost. See 'Notes' below.)

Meet Transfer Company and drive approximately 2 hours to Kuzuko Game Reserve located in the Greater Addo National Park Region. We will meet our Game Rangers and experience a Game Drive.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner



Friday 17 July 2020: Kuzuko Game Reserve

Early morning game drive followed by breakfast, leisure time or optional game walk, bird watching, spa treatments, etc. (at own cost). After High Tea, we will engage in an evening game drive followed by dinner.

Meals: Breakfast, High Tea, Dinner

Saturday 18 July 2020: Chintsa East

8:30am Check out and meet up with our local guide.

9:00am Travel to Chintsa East, arriving mid-afternoon. Check into Crawford's Beach Lodge.

Afternoon and evening at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Sunday 19 July 2020: Coffee Bay

8:30am Check out and travel to Coffee Bay, arriving mid-afternoon. Check into Ocean View Hotel.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Monday 20 July 2020: Coffee Bay

7:30am Breakfast

Morning visit to Ncinci One's Montessori School and meet Dawn Brochenin.

(<https://www.wildcoast.co.za/ncinci-ones-montessori>) Afternoon optional activities available.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Tuesday 21 July 2020: Coffee Bay

7:30am Breakfast

Free day to be enticed by the natural lure of the Wild Coast. Options include a Xhosa Cultural Day Tour, 3-4 hour walk to Hole in the Wall, rest, read, etc.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Wednesday 22 July 2020: Coffee Bay

7:30am Breakfast

Day visit to work with the children at Ikhaya Labantwana Montessori in Jonga village.

Evening meal will be a traditional Xhosa Dinner.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Thursday 23 July 2020:

7:30am Breakfast

Check out and travel to East London for flights to Cape Town or Johannesburg.

Meals: Breakfast

COST: based on 5 paying passengers

Single – R55,300

Double / Twin Share – R43,000

Deposit of R14,000 per person by 01 April 2020

Final payment by 01 May 2020



VERY IMPORTANT NOTES:

- You are responsible for your *passport*, any *visas* and *vaccinations*, your *return flight to South Africa*, a *flight from Cape Town to Port Elizabeth*, and a *flight from East London to your exit city (Cape Town or Johannesburg)*. You can probably include all these flights on the one ticket.
- To get to Port Elizabeth, please book on the British Airways flight (BA6323) **departing at 11:35am, arriving 12:50. Do NOT book a later flight as you will miss the pick-up.**
- The road travel time from Coffee Bay to East London is 4 hours without stops. **As you need an hour before the flight to check in please book a flight after 14:00 to either Cape Town or Johannesburg,** depending on where your return flight home departs from.
- Optional Self-tours during free time include Kirstenbosch Gardens and Robben Island. (Tour times – 1pm or 3pm Tour on the 11th July or only the 1pm on the 13th July). Please book directly on-line with Robben Island Museum before arriving in South Africa.
- Kuzuko Game Reserve is inclusive of all meals and all (3) Game Drives. All drinks and additional options such as spa treatments or additional bush walks, birding walks, etc. are at own cost.
- **Total cost includes:** all bed and breakfast; hotel portorage; entrance fees for Cape of Good Hope, Cape Point, Penguins and Chapmans Peak; portorage at hotel; Cape Town Cultural Evening and Dinner; two wine tasting; daily land transport with professional tour guide/driver; dinner transfer for Cultural Night; transfer to Cape Town Airport; transfer to Kuzuko Game Reserve and East London Airport; all meals as indicated above.

HOTELS

The Commodore Hotel (6 nights)

Portswood Road

V & A Waterfront

Cape Town, 8002, South Africa

Ph: +27 (0) 21 415 1000

<https://www.legacyhotels.co.za/hotels/commodore-hotel>

Kuzuko Game Reserve - physical address (2 nights)

Olivenfontein Farm, Kommadagga

Greater Addo Elephant National Park

Eastern Cape, South Africa

Ph: +27 42 203 1700

<https://www.kuzuko.com>

Crawfords Beach Lodge (1 night)

42 Steenbras Drive,

Chintsa

East London, 5275, South Africa

Ph: +27 43 738 5000

<https://www.crawfordsbeachlodge.co.za>

Ocean View Hotel (4 nights)

1 Main Road,

Coffee Bay, Mthatha, 5082, South Africa

Ph: +27 47 575 2005

<https://www.oceanview.co>

Please also note:

- *This itinerary will always be a work in progress and what we end up doing on some days may be different to what is stated here. All will be done to ensure the tour proceeds as per the itinerary whilst maintaining the integrity of the tour. Should there be changes, your understanding and cooperation will be appreciated.*
- *Please obtain up to date information about visas and vaccinations from your local South Africa Embassy or Consulate and travel specialist doctor. We will not be going into areas that have malaria.*
- *This tour will be conducted in English with local guides and local drivers.*
- *South Africa has a tipping culture especially in restaurants and bars of approximately 10% of the bill. If you feel special service has been given in any situation, feel free to tip as you see fit.*

Tipping in South Africa is very much part of the South African service industry culture due to the fact in most cases wages are hardly enough to live on unlike other countries.

Tipping at restaurants is generally 10%, although where meals are included in the hotel rates any tipping is not in that rate. The Game Drives are included however tipping is not and is at the discretion of the individual. If the Game Ranger has been good, an acceptable tip is between R50.00 to R100.00 per person per drive. If you don't want to tip you don't have to but there again you usually get good service from Waiters and Rangers as both get very low salaries and go the extra mile to earn tips.

- *Bring copies of all travel insurance documents as well as relevant contact numbers with you. Store all copies of documents separately from the originals.*
- *Montessori Tours and Travel and GPS Tours will not be liable for any costs incurred due to your failure to take out suitable travel insurance from the date of booking.*
- *You are responsible for personal expenses including drinks and laundry, unless otherwise covered.*



Ncinci One's work cycle, Hole in the Wall, South Africa (Photo Dawn Brochenin)

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