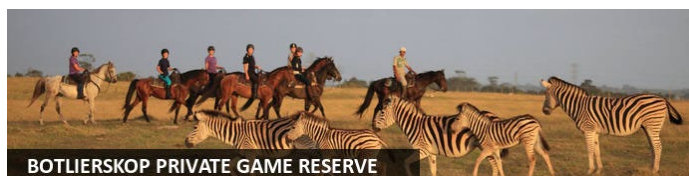
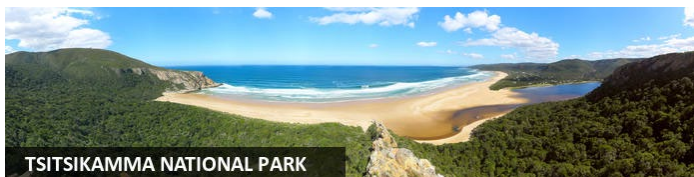


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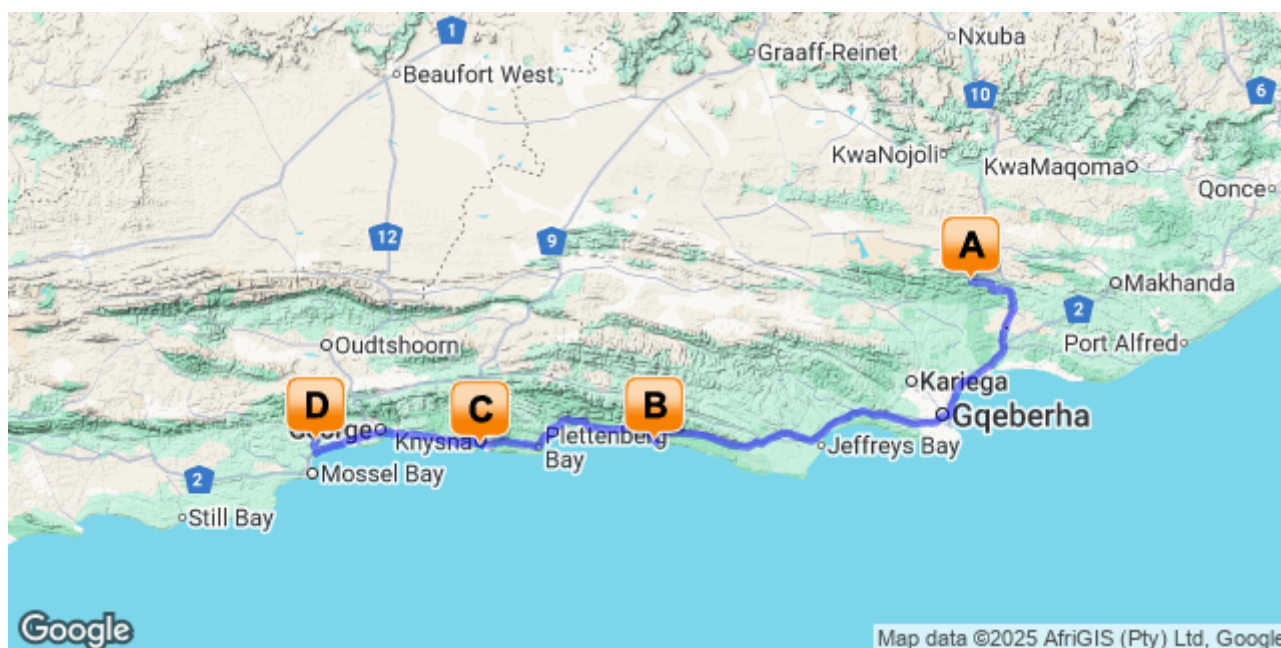


Garden Route 7 Day Self Drive 2026

Sundays River Valley - Addo Elephant National Park - Tsitsikamma National Park - Knysna - Botlierskop Private Game Reserve

7 Days / 6 Nights

2 - 4 Persons



Introduction

Day	Start	End	Activity	Accommodation	Type	B	L	D
1	Arrival	Addo	Pick up at airport; afternoon game drive in Addo National Park with Nomad guide	Barefoot Addo Lodge	Room DBB	x	x	0
2	Addo	Addo	Morning game drive in Barefoot Addo concession; afternoon game drive in Addo NP in 4x4 vehicles	Barefoot Addo Lodge	Room DBB	0	x	0
3	Addo	Tsitsikamma	Afternoon hike in Tsitsikamma NP - suspension bridge with Nomad guide	The Fernery Lodge & Spa	Room BB	0	x	x
4	Tsitsikamma	Knysna	Optional boat cruise on Knysna Lagoon	Turbine Hotel	Standard Room BB	0	x	x
5	Knysna	Klein Brak Rivier	Cango Caves; picnic meal upon arrival	Botlierskop Game Reserve	Tented Suite FB	0	0	0
6	Klein Brak Rivier	Klein Brak Rivier	2 x game activities offered	Botlierskop Game Reserve	Tented Suite FB	0	0	0
7	Klein Brak Rivier	Cape Town	Transfer to Cape Town; drop off	TOUR ENDS	x	0	x	x

Key

O: Meal from accommodation provider

X: Client own expense meal.

Price

PRICE PER PERSON SHARING

NETT SINGLE SUPPLEMENT:

Included Transport in a Toyota Corolla Cross or similar; Meals and Accommodation as indicated Afternoon game drive in Addo National Park with Nomad guide Morning game drive in Barefoot Addo concession Afternoon game drive in Addo NP in 4x4 vehicles Afternoon hike in Tsitsikamma NP - suspension bridge with Nomad guide Cango Caves Botlierskop Game Reserve - 2 x game activities	Excluded All services except those listed above. Flights, Airport taxes, Visas, Portage, Tips and gratuities, Anything of personal nature
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Day 1: Barefoot Addo Elephant Lodge, Sundays River Valley

Sundays River Valley

Running along the abundant Sundays River, just outside the Eastern Cape's Port Elizabeth, the idyllic Sundays River Valley is an extraordinary area boasting several unique towns and attractions. Among numerous game reserves and nature parks, the famous Addo Elephant Park provides a wonderland of magnificent scenery and an abundance of wildlife including all members of the Big Five. Visitors can enjoy a range of activities along the river, including fishing, canoeing, and boat trips, and in the neighbouring dunes, try their hands at sandboarding. The area produces delicious, sweet citrus fruit, and in October, the valley is filled with orange blossoms. The 'Wildfees' brings Sundays River Valley to life in June with a celebration that includes concerts, wildlife expos, and stalls. Make sure to visit the popular Nanaga Farm Stall for its famous pies and deli items.

Day Itinerary

Pick up rental vehicle at airport; Drive to Addo area. Afternoon game drive in Addo National Park - self-drive.

Overnight: Barefoot Addo Elephant Lodge

Barefoot Addo Elephant Lodge is situated in the Greater Addo region, an hour's drive from the entrance to the National Park and two hours' drive from Port Elizabeth, the fully fenced game reserve offers tranquillity to those wanting the experience of an intimate, exclusive lodge.

Comfortable and spacious suites are set against the tranquil backdrop of the Africa bush. The private and exclusive units are built on elevated wooden decks and are designed to blend discreetly into the natural environment. Some are nestled in the Yellowwood Forest, others are set on the hillside, offering breath-taking views of the reserve.

There are a variety of activities for guests to engage in such as a game drive on the property where guests can view eland, waterbuck, blesbuck, wildebeest, giraffe and zebra as well as bird and botany guided walks and elephant encounters/walks. Guests are advised to book activities beforehand.

Luxury Suite

Relax in our remarkably spacious, sophisticated, environmentally friendly suites, set against the tranquil backdrop of the Africa bush. Our private and exclusive units, built on elevated wooden decks, are designed to blend discreetly into the natural environment. Some nestle in the Yellowwood Forest, others are set on the hillside, offering breath-taking views of the reserve. And of course also very important: Excellent beds, where body and mind find peace. Each unit has its own en suite bathroom, lounge area and outdoor spa bath.

Activities

Addo Elephant National Park

Set in the enchanting Eastern Cape Province of South Africa, the Addo Elephant National Park is the country's third largest national park and offers a truly unforgettable safari experience. This finely tuned ecosystem provides a sanctuary to large numbers of elephant, lion, buffalo, black rhino, spotted hyena, leopard, antelope, zebra and over 400 bird species. This unique park is the world's only park with the 'Big 7' - the Big 5 plus the southern right whale and great white shark off the coast of the Algoa Bay. Spend your days marvelling at the free-roaming wildlife, enjoy exhilarating 4x4 safari adventures, exciting horse-riding excursions, and wonderful night drives where you are likely to spot some fascinating nocturnal wildlife. Famed for its large herds of elephant, Addo provides an ideal, tranquil retreat for those looking to escape the stresses of big city living.

Included

Dinner

Day 2: Barefoot Addo Elephant Lodge, Sundays River Valley

Day Itinerary

Morning game drive in Barefoot Addo concession; afternoon game drive in Addo NP in 4x4 vehicles

Included

Breakfast, Dinner

Day 3: The Fernery Lodge & Chalets, Tsitsikamma National Park

Tsitsikamma National Park

Situated along South Africa's beautiful coast, the Tsitsikamma National Park is known for its thick ancient forest, dramatic coastline, and magnificent rivers. The Tsitsikamma National Park falls within the exquisite and famous Garden Route National Park and encompasses an incredibly beautiful marine conservation belt stretching five kilometres out into the ocean as well as the renowned Otter Trail. The park is home to diverse fauna and flora, including over 9000 species of indigenous fynbos, the stunning Knysna Lighthouse, dolphins and porpoises, Cape Clawless Otter, Blue Duiker, and many other animal and bird species. Visitors can look forward to hiking to the Big Tree, ancient yellowwood; going on an exhilarating kayaking trip at Storms River Mouth; or enjoying a number of other activities including cycling, swimming, zip-lining, camping, snorkelling, diving, mountain biking, and sailing.

Day Itinerary

Afternoon hike in Tsitsikamma NP - suspension bridge

Overnight: The Fernery Lodge & Chalets

At the base of the majestic Tsitsikamma Mountains, alongside ancient rivers that make their way towards the Indian Ocean, lies the beautiful Fernery Lodge & Chalets. With enchanting views of the rugged coastline, river gorge, and surrounding plantations... this is the perfect spot to reacquaint yourself with nature and renew the harmony of your soul. The Fernery Lodge is exclusive and unique, situated on the Sanddrift River gorge above a 30m waterfall, and overlooking the Indian Ocean, offering guests breathtaking views, beautifully appointed living areas, 7 superbly furnished luxury rooms which are tastefully and individually decorated. Every effort has been made to ensure our guests comfort, from crisp percale linen and large luxurious bathrooms to underfloor heating and satellite television. Other features include heated towel rails, tea and coffee making facilities, and a communal outdoor jacuzzi. Our elegant dining room offers a fine a la carte menu. Treat yourself to a relaxing massage by one of our highly recommended therapists at the spa.

Lodge Room, No View, Private Garden

No view luxury room; private garden area with braai facility, en-suite bathroom; flat-screen TV; use of communal swimming pool, communal outdoor jacuzzi, sauna and recreational areas in the lodge.

Activities

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Included

Breakfast

Day 4: The Turbine Boutique Hotel & Spa, Knysna

Knysna

Sandwiched between the towering Outeniqua Mountains and the Indian Ocean, Knysna is a large town often referred to as the ‘Garden of Eden’, surrounded by stunning bays perfect for sailing, boating, and swimming; picturesque beaches and lagoons; and world-renowned forests. This well-catered town is also a perfect base for safari expeditions at nearby parks such as Knysna Elephant Park, and close-up animal experiences at centres such as Jukani Wildlife Sanctuary, Tenikwa Wildlife Awareness Centre, Birds of Eden, and Monkeyland Primate Sanctuary. From here, enjoy ample opportunities for surfing, swimming, yachting, jet-skiing, boating, fishing, and golfing. Visitors can also look forward to an array of wonderful markets, a picturesque waterfront filled with superb restaurants and shops, and several fantastic art galleries. Make sure to take a ferry trip to the famed Knysna Heads and sample the local oysters.

Day Itinerary

Optional boat cruise on Knysna Lagoon

Overnight: The Turbine Boutique Hotel & Spa

The Turbine Hotel and Spa is a boutique 5-star hotel which offers luxurious accommodation, exceptional cuisine, and a range of world-class facilities. This unique hotel is situated on the picturesque Thesen Islands, within the scenic Knysna estuary and occupies an old power station building. Some of the machinery which was used in this power station forms an integral part of the hotel’s aesthetics. The hotel features seventeen standard rooms, six luxury rooms, a honeymoon suite and 2 suites which are situated adjacent to the main building. Each of the rooms provide luxurious amenities such as a flat screen TV, WiFi, a fully stocked mini bar, and a tea and coffee station. Other facilities include two onsite restaurants, a spa and easy access to a number of activities.

Included

Breakfast

Day 5: Botlierskop Tented Lodge, Botlierskop Private Game Reserve

Botlierskop Private Game Reserve

Sandwiched between the spectacular Outeniqua Mountains and the sparkling Indian Ocean, the Botlierskop Private Game Reserve is set in the heart of the Garden Route. This luxury safari destination features an array of wonderful activities to look forward to including day and night game drives, horse riding excursions through lush woodlands and diverse fynbos, and spotting a variety of wildlife including the rare black impala, elephant, lion, buffalo, giraffe, zebra, hippo, and over 200 bird species. Visitors can also look forward to luxury accommodation with private wooden decks offering breathtaking views of the beautiful Moordkuil River. An abundance of wildlife roams free and might be spotted from your tent, making Botlierskop Private Game Reserve an experience of a lifetime.

Day Itinerary

Cango Caves; picnic meal upon arrival

Overnight: Botlierskop Tented Lodge

Experience unparalleled luxury amidst the wild at Botlierskop’s Tented Lodge. Our elegant, tented suites, nestled along the river, offer every modern convenience—think plush bedding, en-suite bathrooms with deep tubs, and panoramic views of mountains and plains. Spot wildlife like giraffes or elephants from your private deck or drift off to the distant roars of lions at night. Savor gourmet dining at the Fireplace Restaurant, with open seating and spacious decks overlooking the reserve, enhanced by African drumming under starlit skies. Unwind with guided safaris, bush walks, and African-themed treatments at the Fijnebos Spa, where a heated pool awaits, or choose from four cold pools offering breathtaking views across the reserve. Perfect for romantic escapes, serene getaways, or family adventures, this is where luxury meets raw wilderness—creating unforgettable sunsets and memories to last a lifetime.

Luxury Tented Suite with Fireplace

Indulge in luxury at Botlierskop’s Luxury Tented Suite with Fireplace, perched along the river with stunning mountain views and reserve glimpses. This newly renovated retreat features an extra king bed with plush linens, a cozy lounge with a crackling fireplace—ideal for romantic evenings—and an en-suite bathroom with an oval bath and indoor shower, blending nature’s tranquillity with modern comfort. Double-glazed windows ensure perfect temperature control, while free WiFi and air-conditioning add convenience. Step onto your private deck to admire the Outeniqua Mountains or spot antelopes at dusk, creating intimate moments for couples seeking a secluded escape. With laminated flooring and canvas walls, this suite offers a harmonious fusion of rustic charm and luxury, perfect for a romantic safari getaway.

Activities

Cango Caves

Set on the foothills of the Swartberg Mountains near Oudtshoorn, South Africa, the Cango Caves are a mesmerizing natural wonder. These limestone caverns, formed over millions of years, boast a labyrinth of awe-inspiring chambers and breathtaking formations where visitors can embark on guided tours that take them through a series of magnificent chambers, such as the Great Hall and Cleopatra's Needle. Marvel at the stalactites, stalagmites, and stunning dripstone formations that adorn the cave walls. The Cango Caves offer different tour options, catering to varying levels of difficulty and adventure. The experience is enhanced by knowledgeable guides who provide insights into the geology, history, and folklore associated with the caves.

Luxury Picnic

Indulge in romance with Botlierskop's Luxury Picnics, a serene activity for adults at the Tented Lodge. Enjoy private, gourmet picnics at scenic spots by the reserve's big dams, featuring fresh, quality-inspired dishes like artisanal cheeses, local salads (e.g., Lemony Artichoke Quinoa), and desserts (e.g., Baked Vanilla Cheesecake), paired with premium wines or craft beers. Supplied with plush blankets, elegant tableware, and breathtaking views of the Outeniqua Mountains and possible wildlife sightings—never guaranteed—these picnics offer tranquility amidst nature. Perfect for romantic getaways, solo retreats, or intimate adult escapes, the experience blends luxury with peace, creating unforgettable moments under the African sun. Available as part of Tented Lodge packages, Luxury Picnics enhance your stay with a sophisticated, secluded escape, ideal for adults seeking connection and relaxation. Botlierskop's commitment to quality ensures a memorable, eco-conscious outing, inviting you to savour Africa's wild heart in style. Whether you spot antelopes grazing or simply enjoy the serene landscape, this activity delivers a luxurious retreat, fostering lasting memories of elegance and nature's splendour.

Included

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 6: Botlierskop Tented Lodge, Botlierskop Private Game Reserve

Day Itinerary

2 x game activities offered

Activities

Guided Game Drives

Embark on an unforgettable safari adventure with Botlierskop's Sundowner and Sunrise Game Drives, designed for adults seeking luxury and tranquility at the Tented Lodge. Traverse the private game reserve in open 4x4 vehicles, spotting free-roaming wildlife like rhinos, elephants, buffaloes, cheetahs, and antelopes—though sightings are never guaranteed. Sunrise drives awaken your senses with golden light over the Outeniqua Mountains, while sundowner drives offer breathtaking sunset vistas, culminating in a scenic drink stop with premium beverages and gourmet snacks before returning. Led by expert guides, these intimate excursions blend thrill and peace, providing close encounters with nature's majesty. Perfect for romantic getaways, solo retreats, or intimate adult escapes, the drives enhance your secluded luxury experience, showcasing Botlierskop's commitment to conservation. Available as part of Tented Lodge packages, these experiences create lasting memories amidst the reserve's lush landscapes, inviting you to connect with Africa's wild heart.

Included

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 7: End of Itinerary

Day Itinerary

Self-drive to Cape Town; drop off rental vehicle at Cape Town International Airport.

Included

Breakfast