



**North South Travel Centre presents:**

**The powerfull Apartheid Museum & Soweto Tour**

**Tour duration:** Full day

**Cost:** R390.00

**Includes:** all entrance fees

**Next Tour Dates:** Departs Daily at 09:00 from your hostel in Pretoria or Johannesburg

**Stop 1 - AFTER a few hours at the Apartheid Museum**

You will feel that you were in the townships in the 70s and 80s, dodging police bullets or teargas canisters, or marching and toy-toying with thousands of school children, or carrying the body of a comrade into a nearby house. This extraordinarily powerful museum has already become the city's leading tourist attraction, an obligatory stop for visitors and residents alike. The Museum, with its large blown-up photographs, metal cages and numerous monitors recording continuous replays of apartheid scenes set in a double volume ceiling, concrete and red brick walls and grey concrete floor, is next to the Gold Reef City Casino, five kilometers south of the city centre.

**Stop 2 - The Hector Peterson Memorial**

The now-famous image of a young man, holding a dying schoolboy in his arms, as his hysterical sister runs besides screaming, dominated the 25th anniversary commemoration Saturday of the Soweto Uprising, when South Africa's black youth challenged the white apartheid government. The events of June 16, 1976 marked a turning point in South Africa's political history and are now marked with a public holiday, Youth Day. (45 Minute Stop) Stop 3, The Nelson Mandela Family Museum We take a 15 min guided tour through the Mandela Family House. We also visit Vilikazi Street, which is the only street in the world which houses 3 celebrities and 2 Nobel Prize winners. Stop 4, Regina Mundi Cathedral Regina Mundi's renowned Black Madonna What started out as "church services" often ended up as political rallies. Funerals, points out Father Vusi Mazibuko, who has been pastor at the church for the past four years, were often political affairs. They started off at Regina Mundi and ended up at Avalon Cemetery. We stop here for a guided tour through the church. (25 Minute Stop) Stop 5, Soweto Suburb Visit We take a 25 min guided tour through one of the suburbs in Soweto. We visit a Shabean, a family house, a small shop and interact with the locals.

**Johannesburg City Tour**

**Tour duration:** 4 Hours

**Cost:** R 290.00 PER PERSON

**Includes:** All Entrance Fees

**Next Tour Dates:** Departs Daily at 09:00 from your hostel in Pretoria or Johannesburg

**Stop 1 - Constitution Hill**

We visit Constitution Hill and experience the unique way that the South African transition has built hope for the future out of the pain of the past. We stop here for a guided tour through the old and cold deserted prison. (1 Hour Stop)

**Stop 2 - The Carlton Centre**

The Carlton Centre is a sky scraper located in downtown Johannesburg. At 233 meters (731 feet), it's the tallest building in Africa and about half the height of the Sears Tower in Chicago. This will be our last stop to ascend to the 50th floor of the highest building in Africa. The Top of Africa? This will offer you the best city aerial view in Africa (20 min Stop). From here we depart for a tour through Johannesburg city centre, a drive past New Town, we cross over the Nelson Mandela Bridge and via Hillbrow.

**Stop 3 - The Witwatersrand University**

The fundamental role of any university is to promote freedom of enquiry and the search for knowledge and truth. Wits has built a reputation for itself in this role, establishing itself at the industrial and commercial heart of South Africa as a centre for education and research of the highest quality. Wits' mission is to build on this foundation in a way that takes account of its responsibilities within South Africa today; and to maintain and enhance its position as a leading university in South Africa, in Africa, and in the world by sustaining globally competitive standards of excellence in learning, teaching and research.

### **Lesedi Cultural Village Tour**

**Tour duration:**

**Cost:**

**Includes:**

**Next Tour Dates:**

Lesedi African Lodge is a multi cultural village set amongst the pristine bushveld and rocky hills less than a hours drive north of Johannesburg. Live the experience, the vibrant and colourful traditions of the Basotho, Ndebele, Pedi, Xhosa and Zulu peoples on a short tour. Be part of traditional Africa for just a short while.

You will never forget it! Whats on the menu? Traditional African maize served with stew, oxtail, pork and for the brave there is well prepared crocodile! Traditional African dessert follows which includes South African Koek Sisters with cream and traditional brandy sponge cake and fruits.

### **The Cradle of Humankind Tour**

**Tour duration:** 6 Hours

**Cost:** R 590.00 per person

**Includes:** All Entrance Fees

**Next Tour Dates:** Departs Daily at 09:00 from your hostel in Pretoria or Johannesburg

#### **Stop 1 - A guided tour through the Sterkfontein Caves**

Sterkfontein Caves are most famous for the two world renowned hominid finds, namely Mrs. Ples in 1947 and Little Foot in 1997. Since excavations at the site first began, hundreds of hominid fossils as well as stone tools have been found at Sterkfontein. The excavation of Little Foot and other fossils is an ongoing process at this still active fossil dig.

The Cradle of Humankind World Heritage Site consists of around 40 different fossil sites, 13 of which have been excavated. These include Bolt's Farm, where the remains of three sabre-tooth cats have been found in a pit that trapped animals. Swartkrans, site of the earliest-known deliberate use of fire, around 1.3-million years ago; Haasgat, where the fossils of early forest-dwelling monkeys, around 1.3-million years old, were found; and Gondolin, where 90 000 fossil specimens have been found since 1979.

#### **Stop 2 - We visit the Cradle of Humankind Museum**

The Cradle of Humankind World Heritage Site is 47,000 hectares large and apart from the Sterkfontein Caves and Maropeng the surrounding area has a wide offering of activities from horse-riding, game drives, gliding, game reserves, other caves, arts and crafts venues and much more.

Within the visitor attraction lies an exciting 4-billion-year journey on an underground lake, through the elemental forces, water, air, fire and earth dipping through waterfalls and real icebergs, into the eye of an storm, past erupting volcanoes and through the depths of the earth and emerging at the beginning of the world. From here, the journey continues through an experience highlighting the history of our world and humankind as a species, brought to life via audiovisual techniques, evocative sounds effects, theme-park technology and theatrical displays. At the visitors centre there will be real fossils on display.

### **The Lion Park Tour**

**Tour duration:** 4 Hours

**Cost:** R 380.00 PER PERSON

**Includes:** All Entrance Fees & Touch a Lion Cub

**Next Tour Dates:** Departs Daily at 09:00 from your hostel in Pretoria or Johannesburg

The Lion Park near Lanseria Airport north of Johannesburg in Gauteng Province serves as a gateway and introduction, a true window, to the splendors of African Wildlife. It is home to more than 70 lions including white lions and many other carnivores such as cheetahs, wild dogs, brown and spotted hyenas, black leopards and many more.

The Lion Park is constantly involved in new ventures and scientific research projects. One of these projects involves our long-term relationship with the Endangered Wildlife Trust (EWT). This project has enabled us to test all our lions for the possibility of Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV), bovine tuberculosis and various other diseases. All of our lions have been micro-chipped by the EWT to ensure reliable identification.

**Basic Itinerary:**

It is approximately 40 minutes from your hotel pick up in Johannesburg to the Lion Park west of the Gauteng province. We first do a drive through the main lion camps where we will also see the white lions. There after we depart to the lion cub den to have the chance to touch and play with the young lion cubs!