

# South Africa 2025 The Ultimate Mzansi Experience

#### **Tour Duration**

10 Days, 9 Nights Package from February 10 - 19, 2025

#### **Tour Cost**

**Double Occupancy - \$3,500pp** Required Deposit - **\$500** 

**Single Supplement - \$975 (Total \$4,450)** Required Deposit - **\$650** 

Roommate requests are made at the time of deposit. No requests will be accepted after your deposit. Single occupancy requests will <u>only</u> be accepted at the time of deposit. If you book a double room and do not have a roommate, we will pair you with another member if available. Note the accommodations in Johannesburg and Cape Town are actual apartments so people sharing will have their own bedroom and bathroom, and therefore will only be sharing common areas. They also come fully equipped with washing machine, drier and a full kitchen, dining and living room area.

# Payment Terms

#### 1. Full payment

1.1. If you pay in full by October 31, 2024

\$3,500 per person for double occupancy. \$975 per person for single Supplement. (\$4,450 Total)

#### 2. Installments

2.1. Travelers can choose to pay in **7 installments after deposit**, **due by**:

Persons who pay in full at once will get a \$100 discount.

There must be a quorum of 10 total to use any GS Credit for this trip and the credit is deducted from the final balance.

Payment Due Date	Double	Single
April 30,2024	\$428.57	\$542.8 6

May 31,2024	\$428.57	\$542.86
June 30.2024	\$428.57	\$542.86
July 31,2024	\$428.57	\$542.86
August 30, 2024	\$428.57	\$542.86
September 30,2024	\$428.57	\$542.86
October 31, 2024	\$428.57	\$542.86

#### 3. Late Fees

- 3.1. A \$25 late fee charge will be applied to all payments made after the 2-day grace period. Missed payments will be applied to the next month plus the \$25 late fee. Your tour will be automatically cancelled after two missed payments **NO EXCEPTIONS**.
- 3.2. There will be no refund of the deposit or any payments that were made for the tour if it was cancelled due to missed payments. Your tour must be paid in full by October 31, 2024. Final payments not received by October 31, 2024, will be charged an additional \$25 for every 3 days payment is not received. If a late final payment is received without the additional late fees included, your tour will be cancelled, and **No refund** will be given. This is **NON-NEGOTIABLE**.

## 4. Invoices

Payments will be made to **Globetrotting Sistars**, **LLC**, via **Zelle** at typhanielynch@globetrottingsistarsllc.com, or **CashApp**.

at \$Globetrotter1975. Payments including credit card can be made via PayPal at www.PayPal.me/GlobetrottingSistars. However, Globetrotting Sistars, LLC is not responsible for any fees charged by PayPal.

If you wish to utilize any other payment method (Ex: certified check, western Union etc.) send an email to <a href="mailto:typhanielynch@yahoo.com">typhanielynch@yahoo.com</a> or call 347-500-9220(WhatsApp) for approval.

Once payment is received, you will receive an invoice/Trip Packet no later than 3 days after payment. It is your responsibility to provide an email address for the invoice/documents to be emailed. In addition, you must provide a passport biographical page that shows your legal name at the time of booking.

#### 5. Cancellation/Refund Policy

You have 90 days before the scheduled tour (November 12, 2024) to cancel. If you cancel your tour after November 12, 2024, there is no refund of any payments. No Exceptions. If you cancel your tour before November 12, 2024, you will receive 25% of your payments made to date, not including your deposit and any additional fees charge by the airline for the 4 domestic tickets within South Africa. You can opt to transfer your funds paid on the tour to date (deposit is not included or Airline fees) to a future Globetrotting Sistars LLC tour that you are NOT currently making payments on or receive a refund of your funds paid on the tour to date (deposit/airline fees is not included) within 21 business days. Your request for the transfer must bereceived at the following email address: typhanielynch@yahoo.com

If your tour is cancelled due to you missing two tour payments, you can not apply the deposit to any future Globetrotting Sistars LLC tour no matter when the tour was cancelled. In case it is necessary to cancel your tour due to a medical or personal emergency, your travel insurance policy can reimburse you for the cost of the tour. Please carefully read your travel insurance policy to ensure reimbursement of your tour costs under ANY circumstances. We recommend Allianz travel insurance, though you are free to purchase insurance from any company.

#### 5.2 Covid-19 Cancellation Policy/Civil Unrest/Terrorism/War

If Globetrotting Sistars, LLC or its vendors cancel the tour at any time as a result of terrorism, war, civil unrest or border closures due to Covid-19 or any other outbreak the tour will be rescheduled for a later date within 12-24 months of cancellation. If we're still unable to reschedule within 12-24 months due to circumstances beyond our control, then a company credit will be issued minus deposit/airline ticket/ cancellation fees. No refunds, only company credit will be issued, **NO EXCEPTION!** 

### **Tour Reminders**

- ★ There will be moderate walking during all tours.
- ★ Etiquette:

Remember ladies, you will be visiting a country whose customs may differ from what you are used to in your home country. Please be aware of the following while we are in South Africa.

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- ★ Tipping: Tips are customary for performances and entertainment in South Africa so please make sure you set aside funds for this, especially if you want to take individual or group pictures with performers. It will reflect badly upon yourself and the group if you attempt to sneak in photos or take pictures without tips/donations. Remember this is their livelihood and they rely heavily on our tips/donations to support themselves and their families. Tips are customary for guides, hotel staff (housekeeping/maids) and restaurant servers. Be prepared to leave a tipwhen receiving a service in South Africa. While it's not mandatory, generally a tip is expected and always appreciated. Please avoid being overly generous, as this may appear that you are flaunting money, but do leave enough to show appreciation for the services you receive.
- ★ Housekeeping/Hotel Service: \$2-\$3 per night, and up to \$5 in high-end hotels. You can leave the tip on your pillow or in a place where it will be easily located. Tips are recommended to be left per night as the housekeeping staff will not be the same person for each night of your stay.
- ★ Bus Tours: (several hours or less), tip your guide 10% 20% of the cost of the tour. For driver/tour guide for one week the suggested amount is \$4-\$5 per day per passenger. You can give the tip at the end of the week to the driver in an envelope. The preference is for the tip to be given individually rather than as a group. While tips are not mandatory, they are greatly appreciated for all the work that goes into their job catering to travelers.
  - ★ Bargaining: Except for goods in supermarkets, high-end shops, hotels and restaurants, nothing in South Africa has a set price, so bargaining is expected. The seller may offer the item at 30% 50% more than what they expect for it, so your counteroffer should be lower than what you are expecting to pay. You and the seller will go back and forth until an agreement is made. If you can't come to an agreement, don't get frustrated. Move on and find another vendor and you may even get the price you are looking for once you've walked away. Remember to keep it fun and light.
  - ★ Bartering with the locals for items can be fun and can be done in small villages and markets. Feel free to bring items from home that you are willing to trade for items in South Africa. Please <u>DO NOT</u> bring junk/cheap items that have no usefulness. Clothing with logos (T-shirts, caps, etc.) are especially interesting to locals.
  - ★ Activities unless stated are not optional. If you choose to opt out of a scheduled activity Globetrotting Sistars LLC will not be responsible for creating an alternate itinerary. Any excursions or activities that you choose to participate in outside of the designated tour itinerary are at your own discretion. Globetrotting Sistars, LLC will NOT be held liable for your safety and security or any costs you incur.

# When In South Africa

★ Remember and respect that South Africa is a conservative society. Don't walk around the towns and villages dressed in bikinis, miniskirts or similar clothing. Women should wear dresses or skirts that reach below the knee. Although alcohol is freely available, drunken behavior is considered offensive. Ask for permission before taking pictures of people or private houses.

## **Special Attire**

★ Welcome Dinner – TBA Valentines Dinner - TBA

#### **Meal Requests**

If you have food sensitivities, please alert Globetrotting Sistars LLC at the time of booking. Please be aware that the country you wish to visit may not be able to accommodate your food sensitivities in the same manner as you are accustomed to in your home country. We will do our best to accommodate you but if it isn't possible, we will let you know.

## **INCLUDED TOUR FEATURES**

- Daily Meals (as stipulated on itinerary)
- All airport transfers within travel dates & tour transportation as listed on itinerary in air-conditioned vehicle.
- 9 Nights' Accommodation (As stipulated on itinerary)
- · 4 Domestic Flights within South Africa
- Johannesburg Tours
- Cape Town Tours
- Durban Tours
- Special Welcome & Valentines Dinner
- · Bottled Water on scheduled tours
- · Professional License Tour Guides
- All sites entrance fees, service charges and taxes.
- · All tour activities including Spa treatment, Wine tour & visits to villages as noted on the itinerary

## **EXCLUDED TOURS FEATURES**

- International Airfare
- Local Transport Outside of scheduled activities and tour dates
- · Optional Tours and Excursions outside of scheduled activities (Including Nightlife Activities outside of hotel)
- All beverages including Alcoholic
- · Tips (i.e.Drivers, Hotel Staff, Tour Guides or Waiters)
- Travel insurance including International Medical Insurance
- · Any Vaccinations or Covid Tests
- Any additional Hotel Costs outside of Globetrotting Sistars arrangements (Incidentals/Late Check Out Fees)
- · Additional Spa treatments outside of what is listed on the itinerary

- All Night life Activities (Club Entrance Fees, Bottled, Service, Transportation etc.)
- · Meals as stipulated on Itinerary.

#### Flight Information

Flights are booked separately! You will depart from your respective cites. Persons can choose the recommended direct flight (14hrs 35min duration) via **United Airlines (Flight# UA 188)** departing **Newark (EWR)** at 9:00pm on February 9<sup>th</sup> and arriving in Johannesburg (JNB) **O.R. Tambo International Airport** at **6:35pm on February 10, 2025**. However, people can choose any airline or flight suffice they arrive near the recommended flight for the group airport transfer.

#### Flying back to the US:

**Note:** The recommended direct return flight (16hrs duration) on February 19<sup>th</sup> is via United Airlines(Flight # UA 187) departing Johannesburg(JNB) at 10pm and arriving at Newark(EWR) at 7am on February 20<sup>th</sup>. For those returning on February 27<sup>th</sup> because of the extension tour it will be the same information as noted for the 10<sup>th</sup>. Another recommendation is via Delta Airlines, but you would have to connect in Atlanta. To book your flight visit https://www.united.com/www.expedia.com/or www.delta.com/

Visas are not required for US citizens.

Covid 19 regulations have been repealed and travelers entering South Africa are no longer required to produce vaccination certificates or recent Negative PCR tests.

# **Questions?**

If you have any questions or concerns please send us an email at: <a href="mailto:bookings@globetrottingsistarsllc.com">bookings@globetrottingsistarsllc.com</a> or typhanielynch@yahoo.com

We will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

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