



South Africa

Situated on the tip of the African Continent, South Africa is roughly the size of Spain and France combined. Exceptionally diverse for a country of its size, South Africa has been portrayed as “the world in one country” and contains within its borders scenic attractions from the dramatic, arid landscapes of the northwest to the forest-fringed coastline of the Garden Route; from the flat, dry Karoo interior to the craggy Drakensberg Mountains in the east; from the manicured vineyards of the Cape, to the flower fields of Namaqualand and the wilds of the Kruger National Park.

South Africa has been one of the fastest-growing tourist destinations in the world. The climate, the accessibility (for many visitors only an overnight flight away and no jet lag), the location between East and West, the rich cultural heritage and the favourable exchange rate all combine to make South Africa a popular destination for more and more international visitors.

Blue skies, big game safaris, wilderness areas, and the promise of a sun-drenched beach holiday are what draw most visitors to South Africa. But the cultural diversity and the warmth and spirit of the people make it an even more inspiring place to explore. The “rainbow people of God” is how Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu described South Africans – this conglomeration of beliefs, traditions and heritages sharing a country of breathtaking natural wonders.

The South African people have managed a remarkable transition from a racially divided society to one that embraces democratic principles. The Rainbow Nation is applauded for the exceptional manner in which it placed racial divisions behind it on its way towards a future of possibilities. The people of South Africa continue to work together to develop and promote their country, recognising and celebrating diversity in culture and religion.

Few regions in the world can match the beauty and excitement to be found in South Africa.

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