

Inspiring new ways



Safari in South Africa remains a top tourist attraction

August 2018

Spring will start spreading its rays in the Southern Hemisphere soon and with it comes a huge profusion of flowers that spreads in the West Coast until Namaqualand, an explosion of colour. The animal kingdom also celebrates the arrival of this season with the birth of their little ones in the many reservations that are spread throughout the whole of South Africa.

Whether planning your first visit to this magnificent country or just considering a comeback, the experience is always extraordinary and there are many suggestions for this period: The Botanical Garden in the Cape, the Panorama Route, the Island or the breath-taking floral carpets in the Northern Cape.

KIRSTENBOSCH NATIONAL BOTANICAL GARDEN

Situated in Cape Town, it is among the most beautiful gardens in the world. Created in 1913 on the slopes of *Table Mountain* to preserve and promote the vast Southern Africa flora, was the first garden in the world totally dedicated to indigenous vegetation. The *fynbos*, the characteristic vegetation of the Cape region or the *strelizia regina* (also known as Mandela Gold), are some of the attractions.

More information: www.sanbi.org/gardens/kirstenbosch





BEGINNING OF A NEW CYCLE

During this time of the year, the wild life is busier than ever in South Africa as they are having its young cubs all over the country. **Pestana Kruger Lodge**, situated only 150 meters away from the Malelane Gate, which is one of the most important access gates, in Mpumalanga, is surrounded by wonderful gardens and offers a fantastic view over the Crocodile River.

 $More\ information: : \underline{www.pestana.com/pt/pestana-kruger-lodge}$

PANORAMA ROUTE

The Panorama Route in the Mpumalanga Province offers its visitors an array of absolutely breath-taking views. The *Blyde River Canyon* is the most striking example of such beauty and one of the biggest attractions in the region. The whole area is an extensive covering of subtropical vegetation, thus making it the world's largest green canyon.

More information: http://www.mpumalanga.com/





FLOWERS IN THE DESERT

The Northern Cape Province transforms itself during this time of the year: the barrenness gives way to an ocean of flowers and these vibrant carpets burst out for miles creating a dream-like landscape. It's the **Namakwa Flower Season** and the colours and flowers of Namaqualand are simply breath-taking. Did you know that you can call to find out if the flowers are in bloom?

More information: www.facebook.com/Northerncape

FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN SOUTH AFRICA - AUGUST 2018



HERMANUS KALFIEFEES

When: 8 – 12 August 2018

Where: Hermanus

More information: www.kalfiefees-hermanus.co.za

Celebrate the arrival of the Southern Right Whales at the Hermanus

Kalfiefees. Bring the family, watch the whales and have some fun!



KLEIN KAROO KLASSIQUE

When: 9-12 August 2018 Where: Oudtshoorn

More information: www.klassique.co.za

The classical music festival is already on its 10th edition: 4 days of

concerts you don't want to miss.



SHOW DE FLORES SELVAGENS DE CLAMWILLIAM

When: 24 August – 2 September 2018

Where: Clamwilliam

More information: http://clanwilliamwildflowershow.co.za/

Clanwilliam, the gateway to South Africa's finest floral region, is opening its

doors once again with its Wild Flower Show.



MORE EVENTS

☑ Robertson Slow Festival (3-5 August) <u>www.robertsonslow.com/</u>

☑ Oppikoppi Festival (9-11 August) www.oppikoppi.co.za

☑ Train Race (18 August) <u>www.gtr.co.za</u>

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