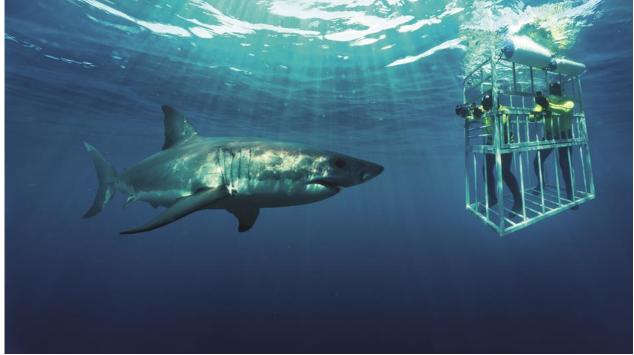




Inspiring new ways



Shark Cage Diving, Western Cape

## **South African Embassy Tourism Newsletter - September 2019**

Mpumalanga province is known to many as the home of the Kruger National Park, but not everyone knows about its unusual wildlife areas. In this edition we will present you these unexpected discoveries. Take a look at some of Mpumalanga's gems as provided by the Kruger Lowveld Chamber of Business (KLCBT).

### JANE GOODALL INSTITUTE

Situated within the beautiful 1,000 hectare Umhloti Nature Reserve, 15 kilometres outside Nelspruit, the Jane Goodall Institute (JGI) South Africa Chimpanzee Sanctuary is home to chimps that have been misplaced from their natural habitats in Africa. It is the first and only chimpanzee sanctuary in South Africa.

More information: https://www.chimpeden.com





### **BLYDE RIVER CANYON**

Cruise the Blyde River Poort Dam from Swadini and check out the Tufa Waterfalls. You might even get to see rare Samango monkeys. Amongst others, birdlife includes the African crowned eagle or the African fish eagle.

More information:

http://www.mpumalanga.com/our-provincial-parks/blyde-river-canyon-nature-reserve

## MANYELETI

Manyeleti Game Reserve: more than 23 000 hectares unfenced from the Greater Kruger area with the Big Five. With just three lodges in this pristine bush area you can be sure to experience the best of South Africa far away from mainstream tourist areas. Manyeleti is one of those very few remaining 'secret places'.

More information:

https://www.manyeleti.com/





### **SERVAL**

In Secunda more than 100 servals roam freely in the vicinity of the vast Sasol fuel plant, making this the highest density serval population in the world. These glorious creatures feed on the prolific local rodent population and are surprisingly habituated, but far from tame.

More information:

https://lowvelder.co.za

# **FESTIVALS AND EVENTS: September 2019**



#### **AFROFEST**

When: 21-24 September 2019 Where: Cape Town, Western Cape

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

Local businesses, organizations, activators and creatives get together all over the city, to put up this amazing festival during heritage weekend, all in celebration and appreciation of African Culture and Heritage! Activities include live concerts, African food, art and craft exhibitions, film screenings,

themed music parties, story-telling and poetry, amongst others!



## **AARDKLOP ARTS FESTIVAL**

When: 24-28 September 2019 Where: Potchefstroom, North West More information: https://aardklop.co.za

First held in 1998, Aardklop - Afrikaans roughly translated as "earth beat" - has over 90 productions, with classical music, jazz, hard rock, cabaret, visual arts, theatre, circus performances, opera, African and World music, poetry and more, ending with the OppiAarde rock festival.



## WHITE MOUNTAIN FESTIVAL

When: 26-29 September 2019 Where: Estcourt, KwaZulu-Natal

More information:

www.facebook.com/pg/whitemountainfestival/about/?ref=page internal The White Mountain Folk Festival in the Central Drakensberg mountain range offers great music in an awesome setting for three days in September. Featuring acoustic performances by some of South Africa's top folk musicians.



### MORE EVENTS

☑ Darling Wild Flower Show (20-22 September ) http://www.darlingwildflowers.co.za/

- ☑ Magoebaskloof Spring Festival (21-24 September) http://www.limpopobookings.co.za/springfestivalsite/
- ☑ The Fitch & Leedes Gin & Tonic Festival (28 September) http://www.gandtfest.com

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