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Safari in South Africa remains a top tourist attraction

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Spring is arriving in the Southern Hemisphere 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 whales along the coast of the Western Cape. For those who like active tourism, we propose golf in the KwaZulu-Natal or a marathon in the Kalahari Desert.

CARPETS OF 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.

More information:

<https://www.facebook.com/Northerncape>





KALAHARI AUGRABIES EXTREME MARATHON

This is one of a kind run, where the determination and spirit of adventure are put to the test. There are 6 trials during 7 days, totalling 250km. The participants are driven to the limit in this extreme competition: the itinerary is only known on the very day and each athlete has to carry his own equipment and foodstuffs. The landscape is contrasting and challenging in the vastness of the rocky Kalahari Desert..

Mais informação: <http://www.kaem.co.za/>

HERMANUS.

From June to November, the Southern Right whales can be seen along the southern Cape coast, making this the perfect time of the year for the whale watching trip. You don't need to be on a boat to watch them, because Hermanus, with its panoramic view to Walker Bay, is considered the best spot in the world to whale watching from land. These Southern Right whales often come close to the shore, sometimes within a few meters from the beach.

More information: www.hermanus.co.za/whales.asp



GOLF IN THE KWAZULU- NATAL MIDLANDS

Located conveniently halfway between the Drakensberg mountain range and the coast, the KwaZulu-Natal Midlands region has given rise to numerous challenging country courses, each with its own distinct personality. From top-notch establishments to welcoming small country clubs, the area has it all.

More information:

<http://www.southafrica.net/blog/en/articles/entry/article-golf-in-the-kwazulu-natal-midlands>



FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN SOUTH AFRICA – SEPTEMBER 2017



HILTON ARTS FESTIVAL

When: 15 – 17 September 2017

Where: Hilton (KwaZulu Natal)

More information: www.hiltonfestival.co.za

The Hilton Arts Festival is one of the leading festivals in South Africa and is a feast of theatre, music, dance, craft and visual art, as well as excellent food. A must for the whole family!



STANDARD BANK JOY OF JAZZ

When: 28 – 30 September 2017

Where: Sandton

More information: www.joyofjaz.co.za

The Standard Bank Joy of Jazz has a fantastic line up of top international and local artists. This year international artists hail from America and Europe and will be joined by top performers from South Africa and the African Diaspora.



CLANWILLIAM WILD FLOWER SHOW

When: 30 September – 1 October 2017

Where: Underberg (KwaZulu Natal)

More information: www.sanidragon.co.za

This is a two-day cycling event in a zone known for its idyllic settings, right in the foothills of the magnificent Drakensberg Mountain Range. As such, it sets the perfect scene for cyclists to test their skills and endurance while drinking in breath-taking views.



MORE EVENTS

- Tulbagh Spring Arts Festival (9 – 10 Sept 2017) www.tulbaghartsfestival.co.za
- Clivia Flower Show (9 – 10 Sept 2017) www.cliviasociety.org
- Darling Wild flower Show (14 – 17 Sept 2017) www.darlingwildflowers.co.za
- Nederburg Wine Auction Show(15–16 Sept 2017) www.nederburgauction.co.za
- Franschoek Uncorked (16 – 17 Sept 2017) www.franschoekuncorked.co.za
- Hermanus Whale Festival (29 Sept – 1 Oct 2017) www.hermanuswhalefestival.co.za
- White Mountain Festival (28 Sept – 1 Oct 2017) www.c-weed.com

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