

Inspiring new ways



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South Africa is a country that gets under your skin. In this edition, and inspired by Andrea Weiss, a South African travel enthusiast and blogger, we are giving you four great reasons to fall in love with South Africa. It could be the breathtakingly beautiful coastline or the great weather and our clear blue skies, South Africa's urban edginess, its very welcoming people, the exceptional food and wine experience you can indulge yourself or even the country's rich tapestry of cultures, they all come together in making South Africa as travel destination of choice. Take a look!

RAINBOW NATION

In a country that has 11 official languages, and people who draw on an African, European and Eastern heritage, you cannot help but notice the diversity of our country, so famously called 'the rainbow nation' by Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu immediately after the country's liberation from apartheid in 1994.

More information: www.southafrica.net/





BEAUTIFUL COASTLINE

The Indian and Atlantic oceans flank the African continent, and as it tapers down to the southern tip, their two mighty ocean currents – the Benguela and Agulhas – mingle to create a unique marine environment that is renowned for its biodiversity. Here you can go diving with sharks, watch migrating whales in season and walk on deserted beaches where your footprint might well be the first of the day.

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EXCEPTIONAL FOOD AND WINE

The wine industry in South Africa is one of the oldest in the New World. Indeed, Napoleon and his keepers were washing down their meals with Vin de Constance from the Constantia Valley in Cape Town back in the early 1800s when he was exiled to the island of St Helena in the middle of the South Atlantic. And where there's good wine and a healthy agricultural industry, there's bound to be good food.

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THE ULTIMATE WILDLIFE EXPERIENCES

A safari can be a costly exercise, particularly in Africa where many of the national parks have exorbitant park fees. Not so in South Africa, which is home to one of the oldest of these reserves, the Kruger National Park, where you can see the Big Five on a self-drive safari. Not to mention countless other national parks and private reserves. It's an experience not to be missed.

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FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN SOUTH AFRICA – JUNE 2015





WACKY WINE WEEKEND

When: 4 – 7 June 2015 Where: Robertsons More information: www.wackywineweekend.com Join thousands of wine lovers at South Africa's biggest regional wine festival, the Wacky Wine Weekend. This wine and lifestyle festival takes place in the beautiful Robertson Wine Valley every year.

FOOTPRINTS FESTIVAL

When: 5 – 7 June 2015 Where: Morgan's Bay More information: www.footrprintdancefestival.com This year's Footprints Festival promises to be great fun for all the family and will highlight the rich ecology, culture and heritage of the Wild Coast village of Morgan Bay.

KIRKWOOD WILDLIFE FESTIVAL

When: 26 – 28 June 2015 Where: Kirkwood More information: <u>www.wildfees.co.za</u>

The Kirkwood Wildsfees annually attracts more than 45 000 visitors to picturesque Sundays River Valley in the Eastern Cape. It is the first – and only - game auction in South Africa where disease-free buffalo are for sale.



MORE EVENTS

- ☑ Calitzdorp Port & Wine Festival (13-14 June) <u>www.portwinefestival.co.za</u>
- ☑ Komatipoort Prawn Festival (25-27 June) www.prawnfestival.co.za
- ☑ Taste the Helderberg (11 June) <u>www.stellenboschvisio.co.za</u>
- CROW's 35th Anniversary Gala Dinner (25 June) <u>www.showme.co.za/events</u>
- ☑ The South African Wedding Show (6-7 June) www.thesaweddingshow.co.za

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