



Inspiring new ways



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In this edition we will take a look at the South African *Travel Ground* website. *Roseanna McBain*, one of its Photo Bloggers, makes a bucket list with the most noteworthy fifteen spots in South Africa. The country is known for having a world within its borders, encompassing seafood, safaris, adventure, leisure, marine experiences, foodie tours, luxury railways, and much, much more, so it's hardly surprising that visiting South Africa is such an excitement. Here are some of those spots!

The Winelands, Western Cape

The Cape Winelands is the largest wine producing region in South Africa and is a premier Western Cape visitor attraction. The winelands boasts some of the most majestic scenery in South Africa. It is situated to the north-east of Cape Town and offers a beautiful landscape of wine hills and mountains. Encompassing areas such as Stellenbosch, Franschhoek, Tulbagh, Ceres, and the Cape Winelands are gaining international recognition for their beauty and the variety of outstanding wines produced, for the tour wine estates, the picnics and possibility to visit some of its historic buildings and museums.

More information: www.tourismcapetown.co.za/





Sun City Resort, North West Province

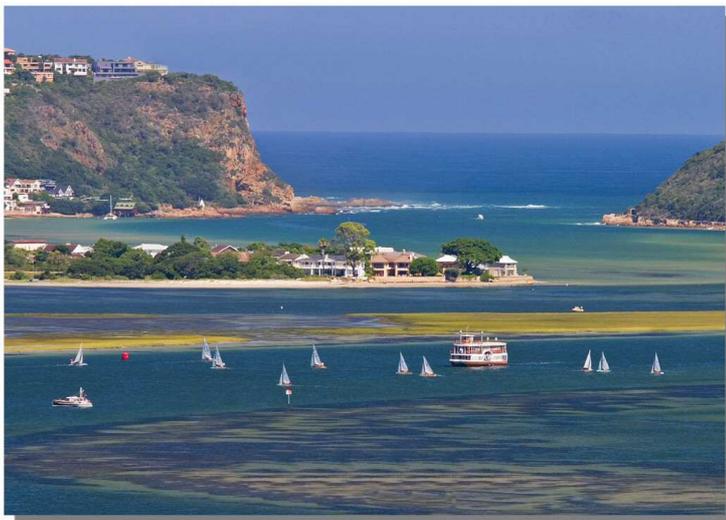
Sun City Resort offers enough entertainment to keep the whole family satisfied, giving rise to its nickname: the Kingdom of Pleasure. From theatres, restaurants and spa treatments, to golf, a water park, hot air balloon rides and direct access to Pilanesberg Game Reserve (for a Big 5 family safari experience in a game reserve situated in the crater of an ancient volcano), you can choose to have an active or leisurely experience.

More information: <http://www.sun-city-south-africa.com/>

Robben Island, Western Cape

Robben Island is an absolute must-see attraction for every tourist to Cape Town. The 580ha oval-shaped island which was once a leper colony, later became home to the maximum security prison where Nelson Mandela, South Africa's first democratically elected President, spent many of his 27 years of imprisonment. Today, it is preserved as a National Monument and a World Heritage Site in memory of Nelson Mandela and the struggle against oppression. In the prison-turned-museum guides will take visitors around this living museum, and the informative talks have brought many a tourist to tears.

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Garden Route, Western Cape

The Garden Route is one of the most beautiful stretches of roads that winds from Mossel Bay in the Western Cape, through to Storms River in the Eastern Cape. Sandwiched between the Outeniqua and Tsitsikamma Mountains, and the Indian Ocean, there is plenty to see and do here for young and old. With a scenic drive along the coastal route coupled with ancient forests, fresh seafood, and plenty of outdoor fun, nature walks, and animal encounters, the Garden Route is rightly considered one of the brightest gems of South Africa; and the world.

More information: <http://visitgardenrouteandkleinkaroo.com>

FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN SOUTH AFRICA – March 2015



KALAHARI DESERT FESTIVAL

When: 27 – 31 March 2015

Where: Askham

More information: www.kalaharidesertfestival.org

A soul cleansing and truly inspiring experience ignites the red dunes of the Kalahari Desert, as South Africa's very own ǀKhomani San welcome you into their community and way of life. Food and drink will be on offer at the Festival as well as a craft market where you can further explore the beautiful side to the ǀKhomani San.



INFECTING THE CITY

When: 9 – 14 March 2015

Where: Cape Town

More information: www.infectingthecity.com

The Africa Centre's, Infecting The City Public Arts Festival, will explode onto the streets and public spaces of Cape Town for the sixth time. Infecting The City is the largest and most diverse annual public arts festival on the African continent.



IRON MAN SOUTH AFRICA

When: 29 March 2015

Where: Port Elizabeth

More information: www.ironman.com

Iron Man South Africa is the ultimate test of human endurance and the human spirit and is the biggest triathlon on African soil. It is a 17 hour celebration of human determination and strength and crossing that finish line is a moment never to be forgotten.



MORE EVENTS

- ☑ ABSA Cape Epic (15-22 Mar) www.cape-epic.com
- ☑ Lamberts Bay Crayfish Festival (20-21 Mar) www.kreeffees.co.za
- ☑ Cape Town Jazz Festival (27-28 Mar) www.capetownjazzfest.com
- ☑ Knysna Literary Festival (18-22 Mar) www.knysnaliteraryfestival.co.za
- ☑ SciFest Africa (18-24 Mar) www.scifest.org.za
- ☑ Mpumalanga Wine Show (20-21 Mar) www.showme.co.za

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