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CEDERBERG & THE WEST COAST

Highlights: West Coast, Berg River boat cruise, Bird Island, West Coast Fossil Park, Doring Baai, Clanwilliam, Cederberg Mountains

LEISURE TOUR

Duration

7 Days

Starts/Ends in

Cape Town

Cost

R23 900 pp sharing • R25 500 pp single

Accommodation

Hotel, Guest Houses and Lodges

Vehicle

Mini Bus

BOOKINGS

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Cederberg & The West Coast

This relaxing 7-day tour of the Cederberg and the West Coast brings you the best that the region has to offer. We head for the unspoiled West Coast, where we visit remote villages and nature reserves and meet intriguing local characters. There is time for strolls on the beach and to enjoy the fresh air and laid-back atmosphere. We travel along back roads through the spectacular Cape Fold Mountains to explore the central areas of the Cederberg wilderness, with options to stroll amongst some of the most spectacular rock formations in the country.

DAY 1 - SALDANHA & WEST COAST FOSSIL PARK

We collect you from home and head north along the coastal road. We visit Saldanha Bay harbour. This naturally sheltered harbour in the azure waters of the Langebaan Lagoon is home to a large fishing industry, which includes mussel and oyster farming. We enjoy a walk on the beach, after which we visit the West Coast Fossil Park for a tour and lunch. Afterwards, we depart for Velddrif, where we spend two nights in a comfortable, 'no-nonsense' West Coast-style hotel.

Stay at Riviera Hotel, Velddrif (2 nights)



DAY 2 - BOAT CRUISE, FOSSILS & SCENIC TOURING

Our day starts with a boat cruise on the Berg River to enjoy the scenery and prolific bird life. After our cruise, we head to St Helena Bay, and then Paternoster, where we have lunch. We visit the unique Cape Columbine Nature Reserve, with its massive granite boulders and crashing surf. Moving on, we stop at Tietiesbaai, before we heading back to our home for the night. In the late afternoon, you may wish to do a beach walk, browse in the shops, or simply sit back and relax at the hotel.

DAY 3 - WEST COAST VILLAGES

Today we set off northward along the coast, visiting interesting little villages, far off the beaten track.

Highlights include a visit to Verloren Vlei and pretty Elands Bay. Later we do a short walk along the Lamberts Bay harbour wall to Bird Island, with its huge population of Cape Gannets. We leave behind the developed part of the coast and head for Doring Bay, a remote fishing village. Attractions include a unique wine cellar that cools the wine tanks with seawater and opportunities for strolling along the interesting coastline.

Stay in rustic coastal apartments, Doring Bay (1 night)

DAY 4 - OLIFANTS RIVER VALLEY & NORTHERN CEDERBERG

We continue our coastal journey to the mouth of the Olifants River, touring the neat resort town of Strandfontein en route. This river valley is a bustling agricultural area, producing export-quality table grapes, wine, blueberries, and rooibos tea. There are enchanting river views and abundant bird life as we follow the course of the river from its mouth to Clanwilliam. We have time to explore this bustling town, visiting the home of Rooibos tea, as well as the Strassberg Shoe Factory.

Stay in guest house, Clanwilliam (1 night)

DAYS 5 & 6 - CENTRAL CEDERBERG

On these days, we take it easy. We experience the Cederberg mountains, via the Pakhuis Pass, and after lunch in Clanwilliam we proceed to Kromrivier via Algeria in the southern Cederberg. We pause at various places to take short strolls to admire the views, magical rock formations, and plant life. Later we check into our accommodation for the next two nights. Only a short drive away are the Stadsaal Caves - a series of interesting sandstone arches, with easy walks and great views.



Here one can learn more about the ancient rock art found throughout the area, and see a well-preserved rock art site. The plant life is interesting and varied, and we pause frequently to look at unusual and spectacular plants.

We return to our lodge by mid-afternoon, allowing you to spend the time as you wish: relax and enjoy some peace and quiet, watch the birds, or go for a swim in one of the excellent swimming spots.

Stay at Kromrivier Chalets, Kromrivier (2 nights)

(Note on accommodation: most chalets have two bedrooms, each with its own bathroom. Guests with a single booking will share the living room with another guest while still having their own bedroom and bathroom.)

DAY 7 - BOLAND MOUNTAINS

After packing, we set out through the spectacular rock formations of the southern Cederberg and Skurweberg. Crossing through the spectacular Koue Bokkeveld and Ceres Valley, we learn more about the massive deciduous fruit production of the Boland. Bainskloof Pass is one of Africa's most impressive mountain passes, and this route is our final leg back to Cape Town. As usual, you will be delivered safely to your home or hotel.

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