Experience the Thrill of Travelling Through Rarely Seen Areas in Southern Africa

The Lowveld 6-night Tour (semi-luxury) is brought to you exclusively by Bonsai Technologies



On this tour, you visit Eswatini. Despite being the smallest landlocked country in the Southern hemisphere, and the second smallest country in continental Africa, Eswatini, formerly known as Swaziland, more than makes up for its lack of size with a hugely diverse range of attractions and activities.

Witness the will of a nation to turn the almost extinction of wildlife into the protection of wildlife and nature in various parks and reserves.

Our tours allow you access to national parks and reserves that are not frequently visited. The surrounding wilderness, the remoteness and the seclusion of travelling through rarely seen areas are the main attraction of our tours. Although we travel mainly on tarred roads, the wilderness experience is not compromised.

The tour is aimed at true bush lovers and those who enjoy the wilderness. Our aim is to offer an overlanding experience and the tour is not designed as an obstacle course or endurance test.

Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary

It is Eswatini's (formerly Swaziland) pioneer conservation area, a shining example of what is possible if passion, vision and action fuse. Once a highly profitable multi-purpose farm, and being labelled an "impossible dream", Mlilwane was proclaimed in 1961 and is now the kingdom's most popular eco-destination for locals and internationals alike.

The name 'Milwane' ("Little Fire" in siSwati) was derived from the numerous fires started by lightning strikes on the Milwane Hill but now holds significance as the little fire that ignited the conservation movement in Swaziland.



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Hlane Royal National Park

It was proclaimed as a National Park in 1967, following Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary (1961), under instruction of King Sobhuza II. "Hlane" is the siSwati name for "wilderness".

Hlane is a typical lowveld destination with exciting species lists including impressive ancient hardwood habitats, big game and rich birdlife. This 22,000 ha park, once the region's rich hunting grounds, still boasts the largest herds of game in the Kingdom with speciality species being lion, elephant, vultures and marabou stork.

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| 4x2 | √ |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| 4x4 | √ |
| Chalet/hut | \checkmark |
| Safari tent | х |
| Camping | Х |
| Trail grading | 2/3 |
| Off-road all terrain tyres | $\sqrt{}$ |

| On-road tyres | х |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Off-road trailer | Х |
| Off-road caravan | х |
| Will my vehicle be scratched? | √ |
| Must I remove my vehicle's sidesteps? | X |
| Do I need a compressor? | Х |
| Children under the age of 12 | $\sqrt{}$ |

What is included?

- ♦ Camping for two adults
- ♦ Conservation fees for two adults
- ♦ Sunset drive for two adults in Hlane Royal National Park
- ♦ Trail cost for one vehicle with a maximum of two adults
- ♦ Hand-held radios
- Professional trail guide(s) (where applicable)
- ♦ Qualified 4x4 and overlanding adventure guide

Itinerary

- Day 1 we meet at the Digger's Retreat Hotel near Barberton in South Africa. Pretoria to Barberton (on your own) (400 km). Alternative arrangements when you fly to Eswatini.
- Day 2 drive to the Hlane Royal National Park via the Josefsdal/Bulembu border post (200 km). Visit the Bulembu Museum en-route.
- ♦ Day 3 drive to the picnic area (not open to the public) for breakfast/brunch. Explore Hlane on your own.
- ♦ Day 4 explore Hlane on your own. Join a sunrise drive at Hlane.
- Day 5 drive to Millwane Wildlife Sanctuary (160 km) via the Top of World Viewpoint and the biggest granite rock in the world.
- Day 6 drive to the viewpoint on top of the mountain (weather permitting) and explore Milwane on your own.
- Day 7 drive to the Oshoek Border Post (45 km). Drive back home on your own.

What is excluded?

- ♦ Fuel Pretoria to and from Eswatini and driving in Eswatini (±1 345 km)
- ♦ Airfare and vehicle
- ♦ Toll fees
- ♦ Visas
- ♦ Border and Eswatini road fees
- ♦ Food, snacks and beverages
- ♦ Medicine
- ♦ Water, fire wood
- ♦ Camping equipment
- ♦ Cost of additional activities



Places available?

Place for only five vehicles on the tour.

Three vehicles are required for the tour to take place.

The detailed itinerary is available at https://bonsai-sa.co.za/tours-lowveld-6-night-semi-luxury.html

Cost of the tour: available at https://bonsai-sa.co.za/tours-tariffs.html

A 20% deposit confirms the booking and the final 80% is payable 90 days prior to the start of the tour.

Accommodation, guide and park fees are included.

Vehicle, fuel, toll fees, food, etc. are excluded.



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