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Cape Winelands Full Day Tour:

We will leave from Cape Town’s picturesque city bowl at around 09h00 and head north to Paarl. Our first stop will be at Anura Wine Estate for a cellar tour and a cheese and wine tasting. Learn all about what makes these wines world class!

We then make our way to Franschhoek with a photo stop at the Groot Drakenstein Prison where Nelson Mandela was released in Feb 1990.

The village of Franschhoek nestled amongst the mountains, can easily be mistaken as being in Switzerland. Home to some magnificent wine estates, you will have time to walk through the village and soak up the atmosphere of rural sophistication.

After a short tour of the little town, a second wine tasting will take place in Franschhoek, followed by a lunch stop, and maybe a chance to try some of the fresh trout that Franschhoek is known for.

After lunch the tour continues over the Hells Hoogte Mountain Pass to Stellenbosch. It is easy to understand why Simon van der Stel decided to settle a village amongst the mountains. The backdrop of the Hottentots Holland Mountains, the white gabled Cape Dutch homesteads and the oak lined streets and lanes all blend in to give this place a charm that will not be forgotten.

If time permits, we will include a third wine tasting, after which we return to Cape Town with amazing photos and fond memories.
Cape Point Half Day Tour:

Depart the hotel and enjoy the scenic views of the Atlantic Ocean en route to Hout Bay.

We follow the coastal route which hugs the dramatic cliff side along the Atlantic Ocean, before being welcomed by the sentinel upon arrival in Hout Bay. Once a fishing community, now a popular residential area, the harbour still has a charm of days gone by.

The tour continues over the famous Chapman’s Peak drive – if open, with a 200 meter drop on one side of the coach and a 200 meter rise on the other, as we make our way south, following the Atlantic Ocean until we reach Cape Point.

At Cape Point we drive through the nature reserve and admire the endemic ‘fynbos’ and we may even spot wild animals like Zebra, ostrich, antelope or even snakes! You can walk up the steep pathway or ride in the Flying Dutchman funicular to the lighthouse where panoramic views await of the meeting place of the icy Atlantic and warm Indian Oceans.

We pass the naval base of Simonstown as we continue along the Indian Ocean (False Bay), en route to see the Jackass (African) penguin colony which have made their home between the boulders and white sand of Boulders Beach.

As we head back towards Cape Town along the False Bay coastal road; we will drive past the University of Cape Town, the Rhodes Memorial and Groote Schuur Hospital (site of the world’s first heart transplant). As you return to your hotel we hope that the great memories you have made will stay with you for the rest of your life.