



Discover the Tranquility and Beauty of the Klein Karoo

KLEIN KAROO KRUZE

**5 Nights 4 Riding Days
225 km**

Embark on an unforgettable journey through the Klein Karoo of South Africa, where breathtaking landscapes, serene tranquility, and warm hospitality await.

This 5-night, 4-day riding mountain bike/gravel tour is designed for those who seek to immerse themselves in the beauty of South Africa's hidden gem. Experience the perfect blend of scenic rides, social gatherings, and exquisite culinary delights.

This is not a race, but a tour that allows you to savor every moment, from the rugged mountain passes to the charming local farm stays. Enjoy gourmet meals, fine wines, and the warmest hospitality as you cycle through this enchanting region. Join us for a unique adventure that promises relaxation, discovery, and a true taste of the Klein Karoo.



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For cycling enthusiasts, the Klein Karoo in South Africa, situated between the majestic Swartberg and Outeniqua Mountains, is a paradise of adventure and tranquility. With its charming towns, the Klein Karoo is renowned for its exceptional local wines, whiskey, and port. The region captivates with its warm hospitality, serene tranquility, and vast open spaces, making it a haven for those seeking both adventure and relaxation. Riders can conquer the dramatic Swartberg Pass, which provides thrilling ascents and rewarding descents, all while surrounded by stunning rock formations and panoramic views. The region's serene beauty and vast open landscapes create a peaceful retreat, allowing cyclists to immerse themselves in the natural splendor and savor moments of quiet reflection. With its blend of challenging routes, delightful wine tasting, and breathtaking scenery, the Klein Karoo promises an unforgettable experience for any cycling group.



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DAYS/NIGHTS	6 Days/ 5 Nights
COST	Price on request. Final pricing confirmed once dates and group size are locked
TRANSFERS	Baggage transfers between daily accommodation
ACCOMMODATION (Subject to Availability)	Prince Albert Swartberg Hotel (https://www.swartberghotel.co.za/) Wildehondekloof Private Game Reserve (https://www.whkloof.co.za/) Queen of Calitzdorp (http://www.queenofcalitzdorp.com) Thylitshia Villa Country House (https://www.thylitshia.co.za/) Duttons Cove Herolds Bay (https://duttonscove.co.za/)
MEALS	Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner from Dinner on day 1 to Breakfast on the last day
Drinks	Water and soft drinks while Cycling.

Day 1 - Prince Albert

Arrival at Prince Albert begins from 2 pm. Before dinner, join us for a tour briefing. After dinner, you'll have free time to prepare for the adventure ahead.
(Dinner)

Day 2 - Prince Albert to Wildehondekloof Private Game Reserve (55 km 1380 m Elevation)

After an early breakfast, we'll check out of our accommodation and embark on our epic adventure. Leaving Prince Albert, the first few kilometers are on smooth tarmac before transitioning to dirt as we start the iconic Swartberg Pass, one of the finest mountain passes in the world. The pass winds to the summit, 1,585 meters above sea level, in steep zigzags and sudden switchbacks, offering breathtaking views at every turn. After 16 kilometers and a 950-meter elevation gain, we'll crest the top, knowing the hardest part of the day is behind us. At the top we will refill our bottles before beginning the exhilarating descent to Kobus se Gat for refreshments before joining the Groenfontein Valley route for the final 24 km. Our journey ends at the luxurious Wildehondekloof Private Game Reserve, nestled in the heart of the Klein Karoo's Swartberg Mountain Range.



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Arriving early afternoon, you'll have the option to enjoy a late afternoon game drive (own expense), a short cycle on the reserve or enjoy a refreshing beverage around the pool before indulging in a sumptuous dinner.

(Breakfast/Light Lunch/Dinner)

Day 3 - Wildehondekloof Private Game Reserve to The Queen of Calitzdorp (47 km 682 m Elevation)

After a hearty breakfast, we'll set off on an invigorating ride along the scenic Groenfontein Valley road. The first 20 km covers an undulating district road before we enjoy a gradual, picturesque descent through the valley. Our journey leads to Peter Bayly Wines, where we'll indulge in a delightful wine tasting.

After lunch, we continue with a 16 km ride to the charming town of Calitzdorp, where we'll stop at the award-winning Boplaas Family Winery and Distillery for a tasting and a light lunch. Boplaas is centrally situated in Calitzdorp, making it a short ride post-lunch to get to our overnight accommodation. As the day winds down, enjoy a social dinner, offering the perfect conclusion to a day filled with cycling, scenic beauty, and culinary pleasures.

(Breakfast/Light Lunch/Dinner)

Day 4 - Calitzdorp to Thylitshia Villa Country House (66 km 501 m Elevation)

After a leisurely breakfast, we set off for a relatively easy day of cycling, enjoying a pleasant mix of tar and gravel roads. Our journey takes us out of Calitzdorp before we swing left towards Oudtshoorn.

Towards the end of the ride, we'll stop at Grundheim Craft Distillers for a tasting. After savoring the local distilled wares, it's a short 8 km ride to Thylitshia Villa Country House, located just south of Oudtshoorn, where you can relax and rejuvenate in comfort. A light lunch will be prepared while you shower and freshen up at the guesthouse.

As evening falls, indulge in a sumptuous three-course dinner, savoring the finest local cuisine.

(Breakfast/Light Lunch/Dinner)



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Day 5 - Thylitshia Villa Country House to the top of Montague Pass (60 km 946 m Elevation)

Begin your day with a hearty breakfast before setting off on the final leg of our remarkable journey. We'll head towards the scenic Montagu Pass, passing through the quaint village of Herold. We will make our way to the top of the Montagu Pass. Here, you'll have the option to cycle down the pass or take a rail car transfer to the bottom. We will all regroup at the Outeniqua Transport Museum and then be transferred to our overnight accommodation in Herolds Bay.

(Please note that the Montagu Pass has extensive flood damage and is undertaken at your own risk, it will add an extra 26km to your days total)

Once refreshed from your ride, a light lunch will be served. In the evening, we'll come together for a celebratory dinner, reminiscing about the fun, challenges, and friendships forged during the trip. This final gathering is the perfect way to toast a journey filled with laughter, breathtaking landscapes, and unforgettable moments.

(Breakfast/Light Lunch/Dinner)

Day 6 - Departure

After breakfast, we'll say our final goodbyes, our hearts and minds full of cherished memories from this incredible journey. (Breakfast)

A detailed list of inclusions, exclusions, and optional extras will be shared once dates and group size are confirmed.



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