



Auction Item

The Glory, Magic and Mystery that is South Africa (Final Year!)

Eight Wonderful Days of Wine, Song & Sunshine Amidst Luxury and Adventure. Declared 'Traveler's Choice' & 'The Best Destination on the Planet' by Trip Advisor!

Featuring Canadian Multi-Juno Award Winner and Canadian Music Hall of Famer Jim Cuddy, the Legendary Barney Bentall, Extraordinary Fiddler Anne Lindsay, and Jim's Boys, Devin Cuddy and Sam Polley along with Canada's Premier Wine Expert David Lawrason and Olympian, Chef de Mission for Sochi & Crazy Canuck Steve Podborski!

Travel Dates: March 1 – 8 OR March 8 – 15, 2016

Come and experience South Africa – a land of spellbinding landscapes – from Table Mountain to God's window – mountains, forests, breathtaking coastline, vineyards and deserts - majestic wildlife, fascinating cultures and local traditions presented by some of the most hospitable and warm people you will ever meet. We promise you will be mesmerized by the rhythm and soul of South Africa!

You will enjoy a glorious week at the luxurious 5-star Asara Wine Estate located in Stellenbosch, 25 minutes from the Cape Town airport. Asara, set in the tall grass of The Cape plains, is known as the meeting point of African gods and here General Manager Pete Gottgens who served as Nelson Mandela's personal chef for seven years, will make your stay unforgettable. Stellenbosch is a vibrant, safe university town offering old world charm, trendy bars, gourmet restaurants and a vibrant night-life. Cape Town, with world class sites and shopping, is only 40 minutes from Asara and has been declared the best travel destination in the World and Traveler's Choice by Trip Advisor.

A once-in-a-lifetime private concert under the African sun with Canadian Multi-Juno Award Winner Jim Cuddy with special guests Barney Bentall, Anne Lindsay, Devin Cuddy and Sam Polley, promises to be only one of the amazing highlights. Other highlights include a spectacular welcome reception, wine tasting by wine enthusiast Jim

Cuddy, exclusive wine visits with Canada's premier wine expert David Lawrason, a sunset vineyard dinner catered by Pete Gottgens himself where you will be served the same dinner served to Nelson Mandela and the Queen! In addition, there will be an amazing traditional BBQ spit lunch at one of the oldest wineries in South Africa – High Constantia, while hearing Olympic tales from Olympian & Crazy Canuck Steve Podborski and a traditional South African picnic at Bon Cap Organic Wine Cellar, a historic wine farm that has been in the same family for seven generations!

If road cycling is your passion, you will get to ride some of the most beautiful routes in the world along the coast lines, among the vineyards and for those who attend in week 1 you can also participate in the largest timed ride in the world at Cape Town's Argus Ride on Sunday, March 6 – a spectacular 109km ride around the Cape of Good Hope!

If golf is your passion, there are two superb golf courses within 30 minutes of Asara. If golfing or cycling are not for you, there is plenty to do in the area from wine tastings with David Lawrason to local markets to Township tours or simply relaxing by the lovely pool at Asara Wine Estate!

Don't miss out on what can only be described as a simply magical trip!



Your eight-day, seven-night adventure for two includes:

- Accommodations, including gourmet breakfast, at the newly renovated five-star Asara Wine Estate located amidst the rolling Stellenbosch hills, the foot of the tranquil dam. Set apart from other estates by its rich African heritage and world-class hospitality, Asara has three full dining restaurants, cigar bar, pool, 24-hour concierge and a carefully-researched wine list.
- Welcome reception, featuring exquisite wines from Asara's cellar
- Concert under the African sun with Canadian multi-Juno award winner and Canadian Music Hall of Famer Jim Cuddy, the legendary Barney Bentall, extraordinary fiddler Anne Lindsay, Juno nominated Devin Cuddy & entertainer extraordinaire Sam Polley.
- South African wine tasting hosted by wine enthusiast Jim Cuddy
- An amazing traditional BBQ spit lunch at one of the oldest wineries in South Africa – High Constantia – with Olympic tales from Crazy Canuck Steve Podborski.
- A spectacular sunset vineyard dinner catered by Pete Gottgens, featuring the dinner he prepared for Nelson Mandela and the Queen!
- Poolside parties and unplugged music by your Canadian musicians
- Guided hike through the spectacular Kirstenbosch National Botanical Gardens
- A spectacular traditional South African picnic at Bon Cap Organic Wine Cellar, a historic wine farm that has been in the same family for seven generations! You can choose to ride to the location lead by our local guides or join David on a pre wine excursion prior to the picnic!
- Time to explore the beauty of Cape Town, Stellenbosch and the world-class wine district of South Africa with over 150 wine estates surrounding the Asara property. Some of Africa's best dining is within 30 minutes of the resort.

Our GMP trip to South Africa was outstanding! I spent the week pinching myself to see if it was only a dream! I'm already checking my calendar to see where we can go next year!

—PAUL STAUCH & JODY SHAPIRO,
OTTAWA

Gold Medal Plates adventure to South Africa opened our eyes again (our 3rd trip) to a new country, culture, wine, food, & new friends all topped off with a gracious Olympian & fabulous musicians! Proud to be part of the Canadian Olympic Spirit!

—TIM & LAURALEE GERMAIN,
MAPLE RIDGE, BC

Optional add-ons (at additional cost):

- For cyclist enthusiasts: you can participate in cycling throughout the week and the largest timed ride in the world at Cape Town's Argus Ride on Sunday, March 6 – a spectacular 109km ride around the Cape of Good Hope! NOTE: we encourage you to bring your own road bikes.
- Exclusive off property wine tours hosted by Canada's premier wine expert, David Lawrason
- Golf some superb golf courses in the area.



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