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Duration	Difficulty	Support vehicle
10 días	Normal	□
Language	Guide	
en,de	□	

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The West Coast might not be as well known as the Garden Route but this doesn't mean that it's any less beautiful. Springtime (Aug, Sept and Oct) is particularly inspiring as the landscape blossoms in a surge of colour.

This tour is mainly on-road, with some easy gravel road riding in the Cedarberge and the Northern Cape, as well as around Fish River Canon.



### 1 - - Cape Town -

Welcome. Almost all international flights arrive in Cape Town before midday. Our tour guide will meet you at the airport and taxi you directly to your hotel where you can freshen-up and perhaps have a light bite to eat. In the afternoon we'll deliver a tour briefing and finalise formalities. Here you'll find out more about the route you'll be travelling, have the chance to meet others on the tour. We've planned a tour of one of the world's most beautiful cities for early evening. We'll be pulling out all stops on your first night and be taking you out to a local restaurant certain to tantalise your taste buds. We'll try to arrange for a local personality to accompany us for the evening to fill us in on local history, geography and answer any other questions that you might have pertaining to Cape Town. We can thereafter enjoy the Cape Town nightlife at a few of the local pubs, bars and clubs.



### 2 - Cape Town - Cape Point - 90 miles

Easing you into it. We'll be leaving the hotel around 9am after breakfast, picking up the bikes and head in the general direction of False Bay. We'll then ride via Fish Hoek and Simon's Town to Cape Point. We'll be making a quick stop at Simon's Town to take a look at the penguins on the Boulders Beach. The Cape Peninsula National Park is but a hop-skip-and-a-jump away from the beach. We'll have a snack at Cape Point, also known as the Cape of Good Hope, before heading back to the city via Scarborough, Kommetjie und Noordhoek. We'll be driving along the world famous Chapman's Peak Drive, which has re-opened on December 20th 2003. Here you'll be afforded breathtaking sea-views and plenty of photo opportunities. We'll be arriving back at the hotel late afternoon.



### 3 - Cape Town - Tulbagh - 130 miles

We'll be leaving Cape Town at 10am after breakfast and heading off to picturesque Paarl. A particularly pretty town known for its world-class wines, Paarl is also the official birthplace of the Afrikaans language. From Paarl we'll be heading off towards Wellington. Wellington is one of the large wine growing regions. From there, we'll be making our way to Tulbagh via the breathtaking Bain's Kloof Pass. Tulbagh is renowned for its traditional Cape Dutch style buildings. This town was completely destroyed by an earthquake in 1969. Thanks to the forward thinking of many citizens, all buildings in Church Street were restored to their original glory. We'll be spending the night in a guesthouse.



### 4 - Cape Town - Calvinia - 230 miles

After a hearty breakfast we'll be making our way to Clanwilliam. We travel along the N44, crossing the Nuwekloof Pass. A few kilometers down the road another pass, Piekenierskloof Pass, is awaiting us. We follow the N7, via Clanwilliam to Vanrynsdorp and turn right towards Calvinia. Calvinia is on the foot of the Hantam Mountains, and the portal to Namaqualand. We'll stay in Calvinia for the night.



### 5 - Calvinia - Upington - 300 miles

From Calvinia we'll be travelling through Namaqualand. This is a wide and beautiful semi-desert region, dotted with giant granite boulder stacks. Between these 'koppies' the outstretched savannah lands is the home of sheep and goat-farmers. Springtime in Namaqualand is from August to September. This is when the sandy plains transform themselves with wild spring flowers and burst into a kaleidoscope of colour. Our journey then takes us to the Orange River, which borders neighbouring Namibia, we leave Calvinia, and ride via Brandvlei and Kenhardt to Upington. Just before we get to Upington, we'll take a detour to visit Augrabies Falls, which is close to the Namibian border, and a stunning display of falling waters of the Orange River.

Our guesthouse for the night, in Upington, is right on the river, and you can relax in their beautiful gardens.

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### **6 - Upington - Fish River Canyon -**

Upington is the capital of the Kalahari, from here we start to Namibia, riding via Grünau to the Fish River Canyon. 80 miles West of Upington we'll cross the border to Namibia, we are now in the Kalahari, a semi-desert area in the South West of Namibia. Our destination for the evening is the Canyon Lodge at the Fish River Canyon. The Lodge lies within the private 100.000 ha Gondwana Nature Reserve, just 20 km from the main viewpoint of the Fish River Canyon National Park. Spaced amongst weather-beaten granite boulders are 26 bungalows, built out of natural rock. With its depth of up to 550 metres, the Fish River Canyon itself is the second largest canyon in the world, following the Grand Canyon in America. The enormous gorge winds along a distance of approx. 100 miles through the fissured Koubis massif all the way down to Ai-Ais.

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### **7 - Fish River Canyon - Springboks Stellenbosch - 190 miles**

After breakfast, we'll start the day with a stop at the main Canyon viewpoint for a few breathtaking views and photo opportunities. We'll then follow the dirt roads along the eastern side of the Canyon in a southerly direction. Today, we will explore the world's second biggest Canyon. Ai-Ais is another stop on our way, before we cross the border back to South Africa. We will ride to Springbok in the afternoon to wash the day's grit away South African style, with a cold beer or two.

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### **8 - Springboks Stellenbosch - Springboks Stellenbosch - 0 miles**

By now we have done quite a bit of riding, and a rest day is well deserved. However, should you feel like more riding, the tiny village of Kleinsee is just 40 miles away from Naries Guest Farm and right on the West Coast. Should you wish to relax, there is a swimming pool at our guesthouse as well. Late afternoon, just before sun-set, we'll be taking a drive to a view-point (optional), which allows us to conclude the day in style. The dinner will be served by our hosts.

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### **9 - Springboks Stellenbosch - Lambert's Bay - 260 miles**

Today is the day that we make up for having spent so much time in the mountains as we head back south along the coastline. We'll be travelling through towns like Kamieskron and Garies, partly on minor roads and part of the way on the N7 to the charming fishing village of Lamberts Bay. It is one in a chain of West Coast villages whose natural harbour has been developed slowly over the years. The most valuable catch is Rock Lobster or Crayfish as it is called in South Africa. Sometimes known as 'red gold' because the shell turns bright red when cooked. Seafood aficionados will be in heaven here.

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### **10 - Lambert's Bay - Cape Town - 180 miles**

This is unfortunately our final day, the day that we'll be making our way back to Cape Town. We'll be travelling on minor and dirt roads through places like Vredenburg and Langebaan to Darling. Like many other South Africa towns that are named after leading members of the British colonial administration, Darling is named after Sir Charles Darling the Lieutenant Governor of the Cape Colony way back in 1853. The farming village is home to one of South Africa's most famous cabaret artists and satirists, Pieter Dirk Uys. He cleverly converted the town's railway station into a theatre and supper club. Here he supports local artists by selling their wares as well. Cape Town is an hour's drive away. Motorcycles will be returned upon arrival in Cape Town. We will then either transport you to the airport or to your hotel or guesthouse. Please

remember to let us know whether you would like to stay an additional night/s in Cape Town and we will make the arrangements for you. This will need to be paid for by you.

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Motorcycle



**F 850 GS**  
+ \$57.56



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**F 750 GS**  
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Guide



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Breakfast



Dinner



Extreme cold protection kit



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Local taxes



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National parks tickets



On route snacks



Basic insurance



Damage deposit



Enduro body protection kit



Ferrys



Hotel



Lunch



Mechanic



Motorcycle return to origin



Non-Alcoholic beverages  
water-coffee



Parking





Petrol & oil



Photo-video souvenir



Spare motorcycle



Tips



Transfers



Visas

## Other information

Precios BMW 650 = 3.690 € BMW 800 = 4.080 € BMW 1200 = 4.450 € West Coast : Famosa por las deliciosas poblaciones costeras y su pescado y marisco, Namaqualand es conocido por sus flores silvestres que cubre en árido suelo de brillantes colores. Fish River Canyon : Explora el Segundo canon mas grande del mundo: The Fish River Canyon Lüderitz : Visita la ciudad fantasma de Kolmanskop, y descubre la vida salvaje del Atlántico vista colonias de focas y la zona de cría de los pájaros. Sossusvlei : Uno de los desiertos mas antiguos, y las dunas de arena mas altas hasta 300 metros por encima del lecho del rio. Swakopmund : Una Antigua ciudad clásicamente alemana, Buena arquitectura y un feel especial. Se puede realizar excursiones en quad en las dunas. Twyfelfontein : La “galeria de arte en la roca” se pueden ver pinturas rupestres en las cuevas consideradas de las mas antiguas del mundo. Descripción alojamientos: D’aria Guest cottages, Cape Town Estos confortables cottages están situados en los dominios de un viñedo en la zona de los viñedos de Durbanville . Se pueden organizar catas de vinos para los que lo deseen. Clanwilliam Lodge, Clanwilliam, Western Cape Ubicado en el mágico Oliphant’s River Valley, Clanwilliam Lodge es una gema colonial apartada de las carreteras de asfalto, es como un oasis en el duro hábitat semidesértico de la zona. Esta a solo dos horas de ruta de Cape Town, el lodge tiene 32 habitaciones de lujo, un restaurante junto a la piscina que ofrece una cocina deliciosa, junto a la piscina cama beduinas invitan al descanso y relax durante el día y la noche con una copa en la mano Mountain View Guest House, Springbok, Northern Cape Un magnifico alojamiento que ofrece, estilo, lujo, tranquilidad, confort y la característica hospitalidad del Northern Cape. Mountain View Guest House, como su nombre indica esta situada en lo alto de una colina con vistas a la pintoresca ciudad de Springbok. Un lugar perfecto para parar en esta encantadora región. Cañon Lodge, Fish River Canyon, Namibia A 20 Km. del principal mirador sobre el rio este lodge esta rodeado por el parque privado Gondwana Canyon Park. El lodge esta construido con materiales naturales, en piedra de la zona. El restaurante esta en el antiguo edificio de la granja. Este tranquilo lugar es una base excelente para explorar las maravillas de Fish River Canyon. Grandes rocas de granito pulido marcan el enclave del lodge y forman parte del diseño del lugar, las rocas que tienen un tacto suave y caliente debido a una eternidad de erosión, se integran y forman parte de la decoración de las habitaciones, el resultado es natural, diferente, minimalista y lujoso. The Nest Hotel, Lüderitz, Namibia Este hotel ofrece alojamiento de lujo en plena playa, todas las habitaciones tienen vistas al mar. El Nest Hotel es el lugar ideal desde donde explorar y visitar los muchos atractivos que ofrece Lüderitzbucht, el museo, Diaz Point, la ciudad fantasma Kolmanskop el arco de roca Bogenfels y la ciudad minera Pomona. También se puede navegar en velero a la isla de Halifax para visitar los mas de 1200 pingüinos Jackass que allí habitan. The Desert Homestead, Sossusvlei, Namibia Esta situado a 32 Km. sudeste de Sesriem. Es una amplia planicie verde protegida por las montañas Nubib, Tsaris y Naukluft y la vista se extiende a las distantes dunas del desierto del Namib al oeste. Los alojamientos fueron diseñados para adaptarse a la frágil belleza de este entorno. Swakopmund Hotel & Entertainment Centre, Namibia Swakopmund, es el resort costero por excelencia de Namibia el hotel Swakopmund . Esta construido como parte del antiguo edificio restaurado de la Vieja Estacion Windhoek Country Club Resort, Namibia El hotel esta decorado como un Oasis, es un autentico oasis de encanto y hospitalidad. Esta en las afueras de la ciudad y bordeando un club de golf.

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**The flight tickets, supplements and optional services subscribed in this tour regardless of the basic program, are subject to 100% of early cancellation costs.**