# Romantic Getaway: Destinations in South Africa





So, you've been

to Bali, loved the Caribbean, and now you're searching for another exotic location to visit with your loved one. Why not tour South Africa? Enjoy breathtaking sunsets across African skies while you sip a crisp chardonnay on the balcony of your luxury hotel.

There are so many romantic destinations in South Africa, and it's challenging to fit them all in in one trip. Plan your trip over

# two weeks and visit these fantastic parts of the country.

#### Champagne Castle - The Drakensberg

The mountainous region stretches from the lower Free state all the way through to Kwa-Zulu Natal. Luxury hotels litter the mountain peaks offering spectacular views of the mountains. This area of South Africa becomes a magical wonderland in the wintertime, but bring a jacket because it gets chilly.

#### Chapmans Peak - Hout Bay

Nestled between Noordhoek and Hout Bay, Chapman's peak features a tolled cliff road that stretches between the two towns. The scenery takes your breath away as you drive along the Cliffside and stare down at the water over the Indian Ocean. Relax with your partner and enjoy the perfect place in South Africa to watch an ocean sunset.

## The Wine Route - Western Cape

This stretch of lush coastline between Gaansbaai and Knysna is home to a wide variety of indigenous flora and fauna. It's spectacular in the springtime after the first rains soak the earth. This region also hosts some of the world's most beautiful wine farms and luxurious 5-star hotels.

## Cape Point - Cape Town

At the tip of the African continent lies Cape Point Nature Reserve. This natural wonder offers lazy hikes in an Oceanside wilderness and the opportunity to see the wild side of South Africa with your partner. Keep any food out of site, or risk harassment from baboons.

#### The Golden Mile - Durban

South Africa's beach town and home to sand, surfing, and sunshine. Swim in the warm Indian Ocean and take a surfing lesson with your partner. Durban has a friendly beach vibe and local culture. Enjoy a "bunny chow" with your partner as you watch the waves break on the beachfront.

#### The Magaliesburg — Gauteng

The hills and valleys of the Magaliesburg are only a short drive from the hustle and bustle of Johannesburg. The region is home to "The Cradle of Humankind," where scientists discovered the oldest human fossils. Enjoy a hike in the hills and have a picnic at Hartebeespoort dam on your way home.

#### The Skeleton Coast - Namibia

The desolation of the desert dunes along the skeleton coast provides some of the most spectacular scenery in the world. Camp in a tent constructed around the skeleton of a beached whale and take a safari along the endless isolated beaches.

## A Final Travel Tip

If you visit South Africa in the summer, expect hot days and warm nights throughout the country. Pack plenty of sunscreen and don't forget your visa applications, as well as comprehensive travel insurance.