



**FAIRVIEW  
TOURING**

# FAIRVIEW NEWS

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**CHRISTMAS EDITION**

## Editorial

Spring has come and gone and summer is well on the way.

The West Coast and Namaqualand flowers were very good and those who joined our tours, although few in number, were richly rewarded. The flowers in the Biedouw Valley were outstanding as were the displays in Springbok and the West Coast.

This was followed up with the Richtersveld 4X4 tour. Conrad our guide was excellent and we were all impressed with his knowledge of the flora and the area in general. Don't miss the tour next year.

Our trip to the Hogsback was also a great experience. The weather was quite cold but with beautiful blue skies every day.

We are now looking forward to the Paternoster and Christmas Tours. There is still space so please make your last minute bookings and we will try to accommodate you.

We have prepared a varied selection of holidays for next year. The details are below. I am very glad to announce that the June Kalahari Tour is already fully booked.

There are many people on our postal mailing list, who have not travelled with us or have not done so in the last two to three years. We will be pruning this list and therefore as from next year you may not receive the Fairview News. If you fall into this category please telephone us to reinstate your details for 2014.

To our friends and travellers Gill and I would like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and may 2014 be a wonderful year. We hope to see you all in the near future.

*Eric & Gill*

## THE LAST OF THE 2013 Programme

### PATERNOSTER

**Departing 2 December – 3 days**

**Tour Price: R4220.00**

**Single supplement: R350.00**

We leave Cape Town and drive to Yzerfontein for a short coffee break. Thereafter we continue via Langebaan and Saldanha Bay to Paternoster where we will be spending two nights at the very comfortable Mosselbank Guest House. While at Paternoster we will visit Velddrif, where we will take a morning cruise on the Berg River. On the last day we visit Cape Columbine and local attractions. We return to the city via Hopefield and Malmesbury.

**One place still available**





**Departing 23 December 2013 – 5 days**  
**Tour Price: R6830.00 per person sharing**  
**Single Supplement: R520.00**

Our venue will again be the Montagu Country Inn. Let's celebrate together. Join us on this holiday special. Good and congenial company, lovely venue and many exciting activities. We travel to Montagu via Du Toits Kloof stopping at the Breede River for a lunch time cruise. On the 24<sup>th</sup> we will visit McGregor where we will have a light lunch. Christmas Day will be spent at the hotel. On Boxing Day we will drive to Swellendam and to the Breede River at Malgas where we will have lunch before returning to the hotel. On our final day we will travel home via the Koo Valley and De Doorns. The last adventure will be a trip on the Hexpas Express over the old railway line to the upper tunnel. A picnic lunch will be enjoyed at the top. (During the last few days we will also visit some of the local farm stalls and craft shops).

**4 Places still available**

**EARLY BIRD OFFER**



**Book with deposit paid for a February 2014 Tour before 15 December 2013 and receive a R300 special discount.**

## **2014 PROGRAMME**

**In the coming year we have scheduled a variety of tours designed to suit both those who would like a relaxing holiday and for those wishing the excitement of adventure.**

### **CAPE ST FRANCIS**

**Departing 3 February 2014 – 5 days**  
**Tour Price: R7280.00 per person sharing**  
**Single Supplement: R450.00**

We drive out of the City on the N2, over Sir Lowry's Pass, to Knysna for the night stay. We continue along the Garden Route to Cape St Francis where we visit the lighthouse and the Sea Bird rescue centre. We will stay at the Cape St Francis Resort. While in the area we will take a boat ride through the Marina and visit other places of interest in the area, including a small nature & game reserve. We will also travel up the Gamtoos River Valley to the towns of Hankey & Patensie and Baviaanskloof. We return to the resort in the mid-afternoon.

The return trip to Cape Town retraces our steps through Knysna and Heidelberg and then we cross the mountains to Barrydale and follow Route 62 through Montagu.

### **WILD COAST**

**Departing 16 February 2014 – 7 days**  
**Tour Price: R10295.00 per person sharing**  
**Single Supplement: R970.00**

We will be spending several wonderful days in this relatively unspoilt part of the country. The first night will be in Tsitsikamma and from there we head for a resort at Morgan's Bay north of East London, where we spend three nights. While there we will spend the mornings exploring the area. This will leave plenty of time to relax and enjoy the resort.

Our return will be via Grahamstown and Port Alfred where we enjoy an afternoon and evening. We continue home via the Langkloof and Oudtshoorn where we spend our final night.

# BAVIAANSKLOOF ADVENTURE

Departing 10 March 2014 – 5 days  
Tour Price: R6335.00 per person sharing  
Single Supplement: R450.00

**Join us on the exciting adventure through the little known wilderness area of the Baviaanskloof.**

Leaving Cape Town we travel to Oudtshoorn for the first night. Next day we continue to Steytlerville and the Noorspoort Guest Farm. There will then be time to relax and prepare for the next 2 days as we travel by 4X4 vehicle through this remote region. We overnight along the way in a guesthouse returning the next day to Noorspoort. On our final day we return to Cape Town via Meiringspoort and Prince Albert.

**Don't miss this one**

# GROENFONTEIN

Departing 7 April 2014 – 4 days  
Tour Price: R5190.00 per person sharing  
Single Supplement: R750.00

Groenfontein lies in the Swartberg Mountains near Calitzdorp. We travel up Route 62 to Calitzdorp where we have lunch. Thereafter we head into the mountains to the RETREAT. This is the place where you will need good walking shoes, a good book or two, camera or even your painting materials. We stay in this tranquil setting for three nights allowing plenty of time just to relax and unwind, enjoying farmhouse style hospitality and fabulous food.



# KWA ZULU NATAL

Includes – Golden Gate, Drakensberg, KZN Battlefields, Midlands Meander and Garden Route

Departing 12 May 2014 – 10 days

**Details of this tour will be ready for release soon. If interested please contact us.**

# RIEBEEK WEST & TULBAGH

Departing 1 June 2014 – 3 days  
Tour Price: R4400.00 per person sharing  
Single Supplement: R200.00

We set out this morning to visit the charming region below the Groot Winterhoek mountains. Malmesbury will be our first stop. Thereafter a visit to the birthplace of Jan Smuts before checking into the Riebeeek Valley Hotel for a two night stay. On the second day we explore the town of Tulbagh visiting the street which was nearly destroyed in the earthquake in 1969 and local museums. After lunch we will do a scenic drive in the little-known areas around the town visiting a wine farm and the historical Drostdy museum and a chocolate deli. Thereafter back to Riebeeek West for the night.

We return to Cape Town through the picturesque Bains Kloof Pass and Wellington.

# SUPER KALAHARI

Departing 15 June 2014 – 10 days  
**FULLY BOOKED**

# RICHTERSVELD

Departing September 2014 – 7 days  
Tour Price: R12725.00 per person sharing  
Sharing essential in the Park

Following the recent great success of the 2013 Richtersveld tour we will be repeating it in September 2014. If you are interested please contact us now and we will then send you the detailed information. There will be place for up to 8 passengers.

**Due to new procedures at SAN Parks we now have to pay a 50% deposit on booking. Therefore we must get our bookings confirmed as soon as possible in order to secure the very limited accommodation.**



**BAVIAANSKLOOF**



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**BOOKING PROCEDURE:**

In order to secure a booking, a duly completed booking form and 20% deposit is required. Full payment must be made at least 30 days prior to departure.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

1. All our scheduled tours include home pick-ups within the Cape Peninsula and Somerset West area, transport with accredited tour guides, entrances to listed attractions, excellent accommodation, teas, lunches and dinners.

2. We reserve the right to make a special levy in the event of substantial increase in the fuel price. These prices have seen a lot of change over the last year and we cannot accurately forecast what these costs will be.

**WILD COAST - MORGAN BAY HOTEL**



**BOOKING FORM**

Tour Name.....

Tour Dates.....

**Guest Details**

Title First Name Surname

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**Contact Address**

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Code.....Phone No.....

**Accommodation Requirements**

Double .... Twin .... Single ....

**Special Notes**

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**Tour Costs**

Tour Price R..... p.p. X .....

R.....

Single supplement

R.....

Other

R.....

Total (Cheque attached)

R.....

Name of emergency contact person or next of kin.....

Phone No.....

I accept the above costs and agree to the standard terms and conditions of Fairview.

Signature.....

Date.....