

# Swaziland - Lesotho

## 5 DAY SWAZILAND...HLUHLUWE... BATTLEFIELDS...DRAKENSBERG

### Day 1:

You'll make an early departure for the 4 hour drive from Johannesburg to Swaziland.

Enter the Oshoek border post at Swaziland. Visit Ngwenya Glass factory where hand made pieces of Ngwenya glass are crafted from recycled glass collected from all corners of the Kingdom of Swaziland.



You would also be visiting the craft center where local Swazi arts and crafts are made and sold.

### DINNER AND OVERNIGHT IN MBABANE (Capital of Swaziland.)

### Day 2:

After breakfast we will visit the Candle Factory at Manzini where the world famous Swazi Candles are hand-moulded and finished by Swazi crafts people, giving each candle a unique in shape and character. We cross the border post in the South heading for Hluhluwe.

At Hluhluwe we visit the Bonamanzi Game Park, a Natural Heritage site, one of the largest private wildlife and birding parks in Zululand,

Activities at Bonamanzi Lodge:

A visit to a Muzikwamkwanazi Zulu Cultural Village, a charming and wholly authentic village located in the beautiful Sand Forest.



### Day 3:

Before breakfast you will experience an exiting Boat Cruise at Dinizulu Dam where you will be able to observe numerous species of game from close range as they drink from the water's edge. We then leave to visit the Anglo Zulu War Battlefields. It is here where every village, historical building, battle sight and memorial in this region of KwaZulu-Natal, has a fascinating tale to tell, and a memory to recall.

The battlefields we will visit are:

- Dingaan's Zulu village
- Grave of Piet Retief
- Talana Battlefield & Museum
- Blood River Battlefield
- Ncome Museum

You will be dining and staying over at Royal Hotel in Dundee which was established in 1886, just four years after the town of Dundee was founded by a Scottish coal miner.

### DINNER AND OVERNIGHT IN DUNDEE

### Day 4:

After continuing our visit to the Battlefields and having enjoyed our lunch at the hotel we will travel on about 300 kilometers to Underberg in the Drakensberg.

Underberg is situated in the Ukhahlamba Drakensberg Park, which is the second World heritage site in the Zulu Kingdom.

### DINNER AND OVERNIGHT UNDERBERG.

### Day 5:

After breakfast we will depart from Underberg Inn in 4x4 off road vehicles driving up the most spectacular pass in Africa, (2875m) the Sani Pass deep in the Mountain Kingdom of Lesotho. The Sani Pass was once nothing more than a vague footpath used by "Bushmen". Later it was to become the main trading route for the early traders and travelers.

Lunch will be served at the Lesotho border post in the "highest pub in Africa".

We will also experience the life of the Bauto in the Mountain Kingdom of Lesotho when we visit the Basotho village and its people.

### OVERNIGHT IN UNDERBERG.

**OPTION:** This tour could link up with an extended stay in the Durban region.