

T3M *Compass*

Welcome to T3M Tours and our extraordinary African journeys.

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The spectacular *Garden Route*

Why This Route Works

The Garden Route takes its name from the lush, ecologically diverse landscape it runs through — dense indigenous forests, coastal lakes, and fynbos vegetation that stay green year-round, a rarity along this part of the African coast.

Reading the Land

The route is really several distinct landscapes stitched together. Barrydale and the Swartberg Pass sit in the Little Karoo, a semi-arid mountain region where the light and temperature shift noticeably as you climb. Push further and you reach the Tankwa Karoo — true desert, some of the darkest night skies in the country, and a place where silence is the main feature. From there the terrain flips again near Bushmans Kloof, home to some of the oldest San rock art in Southern Africa, thousands of years old.

Why Botlierskop Gets a Full Day

Not every stop is for driving through. Botlierskop is Big Five territory, and game viewing works on the animals' schedule, not the traveler's — a rushed half-day rarely delivers a real sighting.

That's the reason a proper Garden Route itinerary builds in a full day here rather than treating it as a drive-by stop.

Every journey we operate is private, you're getting stories, context and insight that only locals know.

Stay tuned *for more*

- Inside Botlierskop – the Big Five up close;
- A night under canvas in the Tankwa Karoo;
- Booking your April 2027 season

Short testimonial:

...to say this was a trip of a lifetime is an understatement! From hunting, to interacting with Elephants, game drives, exploring caves, and driving through the beautiful country side, Aldo and Lizze had everything planned perfectly. Every stop we made we thought would be our favorite until they took us to the next place and we fell in love all over again...
- *Emily Hauer*

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