



## EARTH HOUR in Stanford

Friday 22nd to Sunday 24th March 2013

### What is Earth Hour?

Hundreds of millions of people, businesses and governments around the world unite each year to support the largest environmental event in history – Earth Hour. More than 7,000 cities and towns in 152 countries and territories switched off their lights for Earth Hour 2012, sending a powerful message for action to save the planet. This year, more than 200,000 individuals accepting ***I Will If You Will*** challenges on YouTube to turn their symbolic action for the planet into an ongoing commitment to a sustainable future.

*"The Village Green is the place to meet. The grounds are dotted with friends and families on their picnic blankets enjoying the delicious foods and something to quench the thirst. The anticipation of the sounding bells from the local church, marking the moment of Earth Hour, is in the air. When the lights go off, the Green is suddenly plunged into magnificent galaxies, star light and milky ways. Come and enjoy nature in all it's glory in a safe and peaceful environment. It is a moment not to be missed, a memorable day with a perfect ending. The local restaurants and pubs in High Street all join in the festive atmosphere by hosting great Jazz bands" (2012 report).*

### Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

We aim to leave of the city by 09h30 and should be in Stanford by just after 12h00 where we will stop at **Robert Stanford Estate** for wine tasting and lunch at **Madre's Country Kitchen**. There is also a lovely country store on the Estate. This will be a great introduction to Stanford.

We will check in to our accommodation at **Blue Gum Country Estate** in the early afternoon.

The 4 star rated Estate is situated a short distance outside of Stanford. Dinner tonight will be in house.



Blue Gum Country Estate

### Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March

Breakfast will be at Blue Gum Country Estate.

There is much to occupy us today. There is a Saturday morning market in town from 10h00 – 12h00. What about an Art Stroll?

Lunch will be at **The Stanford Table**, a newly renovated gabled house on Queen Victoria Street. Here Johan and Marian are the chefs who make magic with the best ingredients they can find. There will be time for a short time back at Blue Gum Country Estate before we head to the Village Green Square at 6.30 pm to celebrate EARTH HOUR with the residents of Stanford.

What better than a delicious picnic, which will be provided ; a nice glass of wine and the company of your friends on a Saturday evening. When the church bells peal (around 8.30pm) , this will signify the symbolic switching off of lights and will leave us with the night sky of Stanford to add to the ambience!



### Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March

After a leisurely breakfast we will leave the Blue Gum Country Estate by 11h00 stopping en route back to the city to allow you to pick up a cup of coffee or a light / late lunch if you require this! We should be back in Cape Town by 5.00 pm to 6.00 pm where shuttles will be waiting to take you to your home.



#### Included in the tour:

- Accommodation, breakfast, light lunch and dinner.
- Entrance fees where indicated
- Portorage
- Gratuities on booked meals (Not drinks)

#### Not included:

- Items of a personal nature
- Refreshments & alcoholic beverages
- Travel Insurance
- Third party increases
- All optional excursions & activities

**PRICE for this fully inclusive 3 day trip in a 15-seater coach with a minimum of 9 passengers is R4,595 per person sharing / R5,275 single Accommodation is on a shared or single occupancy basis with en-suite bathroom.**

**To confirm your booking, a 40% deposit (R1,838 / R2,110) is required by 11th February '13 and the balance by 11th March '13**