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HAPPY NEW YEAR



Linda admiring her beaded Christmas tree

Twenty of us visited the [Kirstenbosch Craft Market](#) on the 12th December for last minute shopping. Linda was thrilled with her beaded Christmas tree and others found interesting gifts to take home! The Kirstenbosch market is always worthwhile. A lovely place to saunter around or sit and relax under the trees. Lunch at the Lookout Deck at Hout Bay made us

all feel like we were on the French Riviera—a long wooden table with good friends makes for a fabulous way to start the festive season.



“LET US OUT OF HERE”—seemed to be what Marie and Jenny were saying behind the barbed wire.Because they looked SO happy, the general consensus was life imprisonment was what they needed - to wipe the grin off their faces!!

Art in Jacobsbaai - February



You will remember meeting [Denis Hilton-Lees](#) on our tour to [Jacobsbaai](#) in October with Time Out.

Denis is preparing an art workshop for us over 3 days in February. There will also be free time to explore Jacobsbaai & Paternoster so spoil yourself at the start of 2011 by learning a new hobby to bring out your creativity! You can be a total novice to benefit from Denis' art classes so please do not feel threatened. He assured me that at the end of our 3 sessions with him you will go home armed

**Tuesday 15th to
Thursday 17th February
2011**

with your very own art work. Full details are on a separate brochure, but I urge to [please confirm your bookings with me by Monday 10th January.](#)

March



Close to 100 Million spectators have seen a performance since 1984

May

Tuesday 10th to Monday 16th May 2011



September

Wednesday 7th to Wednesday 14th September 2011

Cirque du Soleil - Saltimbanco

'Circus of the Sun' - Each show is a synthesis of circus styles from around the world, with its own central theme and storyline.

We have spoken for sometime now of doing a 'block booking' for a live-show. **Cirque du Soleil** is coming to the **Grand West Casino in March**.

"Better ticket" prices are R324 & R426 pp. We have 'earmarked' **Sunday 27th March** to go to a show.

Preference is to go to the 13h00 show, enjoy a group lunch @ The Quarterdeck and then perhaps do a bit of

gambling and go home in the late afternoon.

Shuttle transport will be arranged from Tableview and Constantia.

You will appreciate that with the cost of the show, transport and meal, this will be an expensive outing.

Bookings have been very brisk, but there are still seats available.

We will need to decide fairly quickly, so I suggest that you should confirm your definite interest by 15th January.

Once I have an idea of how many people will be going, I can firm up the details and let you know when deposits will be required.

Cost for the outing which includes your show, lunch & shuttle transport is R720 based on us being able to secure the R324 tickets! (or R820 based on R426 tickets)

Kruger Park / Blyde River Canyon

Two tours are being planned to the Kruger Park / Blyde River areas for 2011. The tours are detailed below. We have been working with Thompsons, the new Hylton Ross agent in Hazyview. They have advised us that group accommodation within the Kruger is difficult and this is why we started doing other investigations into surrounding camps! We are going to

do our recce into the area at the end of January.

TOUR ONE

We have discovered a luxurious **Tented Camp (Nkambeni)** which lies just before the Numbi Gate. They offer comfortable accommodation; sundowners in the bush on the first night and an **open vehicle drive into the Kruger with a picnic lunch** on the second day. Thereafter we will take our coach up to the Blyde River Resort and make this our base for 2—3 nights. You will see the highlights of the area - Pilgrims Rest; Echo Caves; Three Rondavels; Bourkes Luck Potholes before we fly home direct from Nelspruit to Cape Town.

See our website: www.traveltime.co.za

Kruger Park-Tour two

I have made a provisional booking for **20 places for the Sunset Serenade Concert** which is being held in **Letaba Camp** from the 7th - 10th September. These concerts are held outside of Letaba Camp in the evening as the sun sets, and are performed by the **JHB Philharmonic Orchestra**.

We have heard from various sources that there is nothing finer than being in the bush at sunset listening to light classical music.....whet your appetite?

To get to Letaba Camp we will have to fly to Phalaborwa via Johannesburg (Two flights).

Hylton Ross via Thompsons Tours will provide our coach transport and meet us at the airport. At the end of this concert we will spend 2 nights at Blyde River Canyon also doing sightseeing and will then fly back from Nelspruit. As you can imagine there is a tremendous amount of organizing to be done, and full details will be **available early in February**.



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APRIL 2011

I have read of **The New Cape Country Meander**. This encompasses the towns of Elgin, Grabouw, Villiersdorp and Greyton. I am still gathering information, and more will be sent out later about this planned tour.

MAY 2011

Our first **Kruger National Park / Blyde River** Tour - 10th - 16th May!

JUNE 2011

The Flavor of the Month is **Napier** - come & explore What's Hot, New and Exciting in Napier over 3 days in June.

JULY 2011

At the start of July when the winter has fully come to Cape Town we will offer a few days in **Prince Albert** - how about learning new cookery skills with Manu Padayachee at African Relish. Their 2011 schedule will be out shortly and I will keep you informed of this tour.

AUGUST 2011

Diarize the 30th August to the 3rd September to discover the **Spring Flowers** of the West Coast National Park; Darling; Clanwilliam; Niewoudtville with me.

SEPTEMBER 2011

The second **Kruger Park National Park / Blyde River Tour - Sunset Serenade**: 7th - 13th September

OCTOBER 2011

Follow the new **Foodie route** from Farm-to-farm in the Montagu / Ashton / McGregor area!

NOVEMBER 2011

Come to the **Victoria Falls (Zambian side)** to explore!

DECEMBER 2011

We have heard of the **Apricot picking Festival** in Calitzdorp - a weekend will be spent exploring this town on Route 62.

Obviously these tours are all in the 'planning stage' and might change!

We encourage you to tell friends about our tours. We are working on a **new 'points' system** which will benefit all TRAVELTIME travelers! As I said last year when Brian retires, things would change, and you can expect plenty of excitement to follow!

