

“ECHOES OF FAITH”  
A SINGAPOREAN EXPLORATION OF SOUTH AFRICA’S ISLAMIC ROOTS



“SAFAR AL-ISLAM: TRACING FAITH THROUGH SOUTH AFRICAN HERITAGE”

**Day 1: Depart Singapore to Cape town South Africa Via Dubai.**

**Day 2: Arrival at Cape Town International Airport**

1. **Meet and Greet:**  
Upon arrival at Cape Town International Airport, you will be warmly greeted by a local English-speaking guide.
2. **Day of Leisure:**  
Enjoy a leisurely day to relax and unwind after your flight. Depending on your arrival time, you may opt to visit the Waterfront area.
3. **Optional Visit to Waterfront:**  
If time permits, explore the vibrant atmosphere of the Waterfront at your leisure.
4. **Meals:**  
Lunch and dinner are at your own expense.

**Services Included:**

- Meet and Greet by Local English-Speaking Guide
- Transfer from Cape Town International Airport to Hotel



## Day 3: Bo-Kaap Experience

**Overview:** Step into the vibrant tapestry of Cape Town's Bo-Kaap, where the streets come alive with the vibrant colours of its iconic houses and the echoes of centuries-old prayers at the historic Auwal Mosque. Discover the legacy of Tuan Guru, who penned the first Quran from memory, which can be seen at the Auwal mosque, and explore the diverse mosques that dot the neighbourhood.

Immerse yourself in the rich Islamic heritage as you wander through cobblestone streets, engaging with the welcoming community who generously shares their traditions and culture. Experience the bustling markets filled with the aroma of spices, and witness the spirit of compassion as locals come together to feed the less fortunate.

The Bo-Kaap Cultural Hub serves not only as a cultural hub but also as an educational platform, offering insight into the Islamic faith and way of life. Join us on this enlightening journey, where history, community, and faith intertwine to create a powerful and unforgettable experience.

Marvel at its simple yet elegant Dutch architecture, colourful houses and feel the reverence of the faithful who have worshipped here for generations. As you wander through the labyrinthine streets, immerse yourself in the vibrant atmosphere of the Bo-Kaap community.

Join us on this unforgettable Islamic tour of the Bo-Kaap, where history, culture, and compassion intertwine to create an enriching experience like no other.

### MORNING:

- Pickup from Hotel**  
Begin your day with a pickup from your hotel.
- Tuan Guru's Kramat**  
Visit Tuan Guru's Kramat located at the top of Long Market Street.
- Drive Through Boorhanol Mosque**  
Pass by the vibrant Boorhanol Mosque, immersing yourself in the colourful surroundings.
- Stop at Biesmiellah**  
Park at Biesmiellah and prepare for a walking tour of the Bo-Kaap neighborhood.
- Bo-Kaap Neighborhood Exploration**  
Wander through the historic Bo-Kaap neighborhood, soaking in its rich cultural heritage.
- Auwal Masjid**  
Experience the fascinating history of the Auwal Masjid, the first mosque in South Africa.
- Lunch at Biesmiellah Restaurant**  
Enjoy a delicious lunch at Biesmiellah Restaurant, known for its authentic Cape Malay cuisine.
- Boorhanol Cultural Hub**  
Conclude your morning with a 30-minute exhibit at the Boorhanol Cultural Hub.



## AFTERNOON:

**Overview:** Experience the spiritual journey of Islam as you traverse the Circle of Islam with Shrines around Cape Town's Peninsula, Signal Hill, Deer Park, and beyond. Encounter sacred sites nestled amidst breath-taking natural beauty, each shrine a testament to the enduring faith and reverence of the Muslim community.

Explore the tranquil landscapes and feel the presence of centuries-old traditions intertwined with the scenic wonders of the Cape Peninsula. Join us on this brief but profound exploration of Islamic heritage, where spirituality meets serenity in the embrace of nature.

### 9. Visit Kramat on Signal Hill

Journey to Signal Hill to visit the Kramat and take in panoramic views of Cape Town.

### 10. Stop at Signal Hill Parking Lot

Pause at the Signal Hill parking lot to admire the breath-taking scenery.

### 11. Dinner

Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant.

### 12. Return to Hotel

After a day filled with exploration, return to your hotel for a well-deserved rest.

## Services Included:

- Full-Day Tour with Transportation and Local English-Speaking Guide Services
- Bottled water on route
- All Entrance Fees
- Meals: Breakfast at the Hotel and Lunch at Biesmiellah Restaurant
- Water and coffee or tea are included.

*(Note: This itinerary is subject to change based on operational considerations and weather conditions.)*

## Day 4 – Cape Peninsula Discovery.



**Overview:** Embark on a captivating journey through the scenic wonders of the Cape Peninsula, beginning with an early departure at 7:30 am to avoid the bustling traffic of Cape Town.

Delve into the natural splendour of the region as you explore Seal Island, Chapman's Peak Drive, Cape Point, and Boulders Beach, immersing yourself in an array of breath-taking landscapes and wildlife encounters.



## Itinerary:

**07:30 am:** Departure from Hotel Commence your excursion with a prompt departure from your hotel, ensuring an early start to optimize your exploration time.

**08:30 am:** Seal Island Boat Cruise Embark on a mesmerizing one-hour boat cruise to Seal Island, located 5.7 km off the northern shores of False Bay. Discover the enchanting habitat of approximately 64,000 Cape Fur Seals, offering a captivating wildlife experience.



**10:00 am:** Chapman's Peak Drive (Weather Permitting) Weather permitting, continue your journey along the iconic Chapman's Peak Drive, celebrated as one of the world's most scenic routes. Traverse this picturesque coastal road, marvelling at panoramic vistas of the Atlantic Ocean and the rugged shoreline. Keep a lookout for marine life, including whales, dolphins, and curious troops of baboons.

**11:30 am:** Cape Point Exploration Enter the Table Mountain National Park to explore Cape Point, a UNESCO World Heritage Site nestled within the Cape Floral Region. Ascend to the historic lighthouse aboard the Flying Dutchman Funicular, offering sweeping views of the surrounding landscape.

**01:00 pm:** Seafood Lunch at Restaurant Indulge in a delectable seafood lunch at a local restaurant, savoring the flavours of the region amidst a picturesque coastal setting.



**02:30 pm:** Boulders Beach Penguin Colony Embark on an enchanting visit to Boulders Beach, renowned for its colony of African Penguins. Spend half an hour observing and photographing these charismatic creatures in their natural habitat, surrounded by pristine coastal scenery.

**03:30 pm:** Return to Hotel Conclude your expedition with a scenic drive along the False Bay coast, passing through the historic naval base of Simon's Town. Arrive back at your hotel in Cape Town by mid-afternoon, enriched by a day of unforgettable experiences.

## Services Included:

- Full-Day Tour with Transportation and Guide Services
- Local English-Speaking Guide
- Bottled water on route
- Entrance Fees to Seal Island Boat Cruise, Chapman's Peak Drive, Cape Point, Flying Dutchman Funicular, Boulders Beach
- Meals: Breakfast at Hotel and Seafood Lunch

**Note:** Please note that the itinerary is subject to weather conditions and may be adjusted accordingly for the safety and enjoyment of all participants.

## Day 5: Trip Macassar and Kramat.



**Overview:** We start our journey at Cheetah land, encounter the majestic cheetahs, igniting a newfound appreciation for wildlife conservation and the interconnectedness of all living beings.

Continue on a transformative journey to Macassar, a land where the illustrious Sheik Yusuf Kramat stands as a beacon of Islamic heritage. Discover the profound influence of Sheik Yusuf on Islam as you delve into the rich history and spirituality of the shrine.

Conclude your odyssey at the final shrine in Constantia, reflecting on its significance as a testament to enduring faith and cultural legacy.

1. **Breakfast at the Hotel**
2. **Departure at 08:00** Begin your day by departing at 08:00 from the hotel, embarking on the N2 highway journey towards Somerset West to partake in a Cheetah Encounter.
3. **Cheetah Encounter** Experience the thrill of a Cheetah Encounter in Somerset West.
4. **Visit to Kramat of Sheik Yusuf in Macassar** Journey to Macassar to explore the historic Kramat of Sheik Yusuf.
5. **Lunch** Enjoy a leisurely lunch at a local eatery.
6. **Return to Cape Town** Drive back to Cape Town in the afternoon.
7. **Coffee/Tea + Treats at Faeza's** Relish in coffee or tea accompanied by treats at Faeza's.



8. **Visit to Constantia to Explore the Kramat** Venture to Constantia to visit the two Kramat sites.
9. **Dinner** Conclude the day with a delightful dinner.
10. **Return to Hotel**



## Services Included:

- Full-Day Tour with Transportation and Local English-Speaking Guide Services
- Bottled water on route
- All Entrance Fees
- Meals: Breakfast at Hotel and Seafood Lunch

## Day 6: City Tour and Table Mountain.



**Overview:** Embark on an awe-inspiring exploration of Table Mountain, a majestic 7<sup>th</sup> wonder of Nature that towers over Cape Town with unparalleled grandeur. Discover its profound significance as a biodiversity hotspot, boasting a myriad of unique plant and animal species found nowhere else on Earth.



Uncover the historic Cape Castle of Good Hope, a bastion of South Africa's past, intertwined with Islamic history through its connection to slaves and heritage, bearing witness to the resilience and cultural richness of those who endured.

Delve into South Africa's gemstones, each a glittering testament to the country's rich mineral heritage, reflecting the enduring beauty and geological diversity that shapes our nation's story.



Venture into an unforgettable and exciting journey, as you take to the skies in a helicopter, witnessing spectacular aerial views that defy comparison. Experience the awe-inspiring beauty of landscapes and landmarks from a perspective unmatched by any other vantage point, creating memories that resonate long after the flight ends.



1. **Departure after Breakfast** Begin the day with a departure from the hotel after breakfast.
2. **Visit to Table Mountain** Ascend Table Mountain to soak in panoramic views of Cape Town and its surroundings.
3. **Exploration of Cape Castle** Explore the historic Cape Castle, a symbol of South Africa's colonial past.
4. **Coffee at the Chocolate Cafe** Enjoy a refreshing coffee break at the Chocolate Cafe.
5. **Lunch in the City** Indulge in a delicious lunch in the heart of the city.
6. **Visit to Gem Africa** Explore Gem Africa for an immersive experience in gemstones and a Tanzanite tour.
7. **Helicopter flight:** Atlántico flight experience Cape Town from the air
8. **Dinner** Savour a delectable dinner in the evening.
9. **Return to Hotel**

### Services Included:

- Full-Day Tour with Transportation and Local English-Speaking Guide Services
- Bottled water on route
- Entrance fees to all site
- Meals: Breakfast at the Hotel, Lunch at District Café and Dinner at the hotel.
- Only Water, Coffee or Tea included.

**Note:** Please note that the itinerary is subject to weather conditions and may be adjusted accordingly for the safety and enjoyment of all participants.

## Day 7: Game Drive – Safari.

Discover the acclaimed Aquila Game Reserve, South Africa's Premier Halal Reserve, where nature and Islamic values harmoniously unite. Immerse yourself in the splendour of the African wilderness while embracing award winning halal-certified dining, accommodations and experiences, offering a sanctuary of tranquility and ethical wildlife encounters.



1. **Departure at 06:00** Start the day with an early departure from the hotel at 06:00.
2. **Journey to Aquilla Game Reserve** Embark on a scenic two-hour drive to Aquilla Game Reserve.
3. **Breakfast Upon Arrival** Enjoy a hearty breakfast upon arrival at the reserve.
4. **Game Drive** Set out on an exhilarating game drive to witness wild animals in their natural habitat.
5. **Buffet Lunch at Aquilla Nature Reserve** Relish a sumptuous buffet lunch amidst the tranquillity of Aquilla Nature Reserve.
6. **Leisure Time** Spend leisure time relaxing by the pool and enjoying the scenic surroundings.



7. **Return to Cape Town** Depart from Aquilla Game Reserve and journey back to Cape Town.
8. **Dinner** Conclude the day with a delicious dinner.
9. **Return to Hotel**

### Services Included:

- Full-Day Tour with Transportation and Local English-Speaking Guide Services
- Bottled water on route
- Entrance fees
- Meals: Breakfast and Lunch at Aquilla Game Reserve and Dinner at the hotel.
- Only Water, Coffee or Tea included.

## Day 8: Return to CTIA for your Flight to Singapore

Bid farewell to Cape Town as you depart for Cape Town International Airport for your onward journey back to Singapore.

We will be looking forward to your next visit to our very diversified country as we have so much to see and many more places to visit.



### Services Included:

- Local English-Speaking Guide
- Transfer from Hotel to Cape Town International Airport

## Day 9: Arrive in Singapore at 1405

Daily Departures: 6 To Go

Group Departure: 31 AUG 2024

**FLIGHT DETAILS: EMIRATES**

EK355 31AUG SINDXB 2100 - #0020

EK772 01SEP DXBCPT 0350 - 1135

EK773 07SEP CPTDXB 1305 - #0035

EK348 08SEP DXBSIN 0230 - 1405

**PACKAGE PRICE INCLUDE AIRPORT TAXS:**

- **EXCLUDING GUIDE & DRIVER TIPPING S\$50 (USD 35) PER ADULT & CHILD**

S\$ 4390.00 - Per Adult (Twin Sharing)

S\$ 4660.00 - Per Adult (Single Room)

S\$ 3950.00 - Per child 6 to 11 years sharing rooms with parents with extra bed

S\$ 3815.00 - Per child 2 to 5 years sharing rooms with parents without extra bed

**Tour Includes:**

- Airport Transfers
- 4\* Accommodations
- Halal Half board meals
- Daily water on the vehicle.
- All entry fees to destinations.
- All Kramat Tours and walking tour in Bo-Kaap including The Auwal Mosque.
- Bo-Kaap Cultural Hub.
- Circle of Islam visiting significant Holy Shrines
- Entrance to the cheetah sanctuary.
- Kramat of Shaik Yusuf tour.
- Tours to Cape Point, funicular, Table Mountain, and city tour.

**Tour Excludes:**

- Tipping USD 5 per day per person
- Dinners not specified on the itinerary
- All other drinks not specified (Soda, fruit juices and others)
- All personal purchases
- Personal expenses
- Cheetah encounter
- Optional tours (Helicopter flights)