

GARDEN ROUTE – RECOMMENDED ACTIVITIES & ATTRACTIONS

ADDO - DUNGBEETLE RIVER LODGE: 3 NIGHTS HERE! Canoeing, Big 5, hiking, river activities, the best game viewing.
(see www.addo-tours.co.za & www.dungbeetle.co.za)

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PORT ELIZABETH: The “friendly city” has one of the best beach fronts on the route as per the attached map. Also well known for its water sport internationally. Shopping and the Casino, if that is what you want is good. Dungbeetle River Lodge is only half an hour away and we recommend you use the lodge as a base for a day trip to P.E. if that is what you are looking for. **JEFFREY’S BAY:** The surfers paradise. Stop here if you are young and want to ride the super tubes/surf. The neighbouring town of ST. FRANCIS bay will offer peace and tranquillity if you need this on your journey.

STORMS RIVER MOUTH. (Marine reserve) This could be your two night stop. It is by far the most beautiful area in the whole of the Garden Route. A SANPARKS controlled area. We recommend over night here (try the self catering Oceanettes when you book. The sea is right on your private balcony!) Great views, hiking and restaurant. From here you visit the **TSITSIKAMMA** area, enjoy the tree canopy tours, visit the world’s highest bungy jump at Bloukrans. One of the largest bird “cages” outside Plettenberg Bay **PLETTENBERG BAY:** The town has good beaches and accommodation too, but unless you have time on your hands, better to enjoy in the passing.

KNYSNA: This is possibly the town around which the Garden Route concept was born. The town is very pretty and lots of “arty” stalls to visit if you are looking for this type of entertainment. No real beaches here. Make sure that you go on a highly recommended tour to the heads. The ferries leave from the town’s water front frequently: The guide must tell you the history behind this beautiful little town. **WILDERNESS:** Some of the most beautiful beaches!

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By pass George on the **OUTENIQUA PASS** to **OUDTSHOORN:** Two nights stay over recommended. The ostrich capital of the world. Situated in the Klein Karoo, a great contrast to the lushes Garden Route but a hauntingly beautiful area. Enjoy a drive out to the Cango Caves, visit the info centre for maps to do the Meirings poort and Swartberg Passes. A must see! The town is rich in history! Take your time to enjoy **ROBERTSON, BARRYDALE AND MONTAGUE.** **CAPE AGHULAS** is the southern most tip of Africa, visit here if you are keen to say “I have been there”. **HERMANUS** is a must see for whales. Make sure you have the right season for them!!

CAPE TOWN: you need 4 days here! Wine routes, but not for game viewing, leave that for **DUNGBEETLE.** Addo and the Eastern Cape private reserves are the best in all the route!!

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