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## TOUR NAME: Nelson Mandela Capture Site & PheZulu Cultural Village TOUR NUMBER: 19 DURATION: 8 Hours DESCRIPTION:

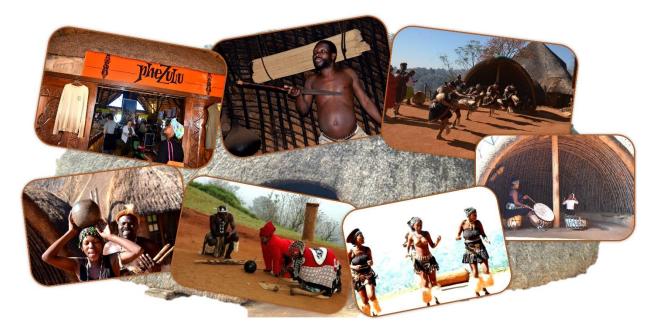
The tour departs from Durban for the capital of KwaZulu-Natal, **Pietermaritzburg**. Your guide will give you a short tour of the city and visit **Mahatma Gandhi's statue** by Pietermaritzburg City Hall.

Next stop will be the small town of **Howick** to visit its waterfall. <u>KwaNogqaza</u> or Howick Falls is approximately 95 m in height and lies on the Umgeni River. The local Zulu people named it the "Home of the Tall" referring to its height. Next to the falls lies a quaint old section of Howick which has a selection of **historical museums and antique stores** to visit.

Next is the **Nelson Mandela Capture Site Statue and Apartheid Museum**. The Capture Site boasts a large sculpture of Nelson Mandela made up of multiply steel columns which stand between 6 and 9 metres tall. Tourists at the Capture Site are required to stand 35 meters away from the large Nelson Mandela bust for it to come into clear focus. Facing west the impressive sculpture creates a uniquely beautiful landscape for the local Howick community. The museum is dedicated to Nelson Mandela's life and his struggle against Apartheid government.



Next is the 'Valley of 1000 Hills' to experience traditional Zulu culture at PheZulu Cultural Village and Reptile Park. Visitors are taken into a traditional Zulu homestead to experience what traditional Zulu life was like before the modern era. Inside a traditional Zulu homestead there are thatched huts placed in a circular position, with the cattle placed in the centre as a form of protection. At PheZulu's 'Sibaya' or homestead the thatched huts are surrounding the auditorium which faces the beautiful 'Valley of 1000 Hills'. The local PheZulu guide will take you on a guided tour of the PheZulu sibaya and describe Zulu cultural practices to gain insight into Zulu traditions during the 1800's. The local Zulu dancing show is educating and entertaining with the local performers singing beautiful traditional Zulu songs and dancing energetically. The performers wear their traditional Zulu attire, showing off their dancing and singing skills with rhythmic agility and pride.



Included in PheZulu is the **Reptile Park** where guests enjoy a guided tour by a local PheZulu Reptile park guide. The local guides are very knowledgeable and eager to take you around the park and share interesting facts about the animals in the park. PheZulu Reptile Park has diverse reptilian wildlife on site which include crocodiles, alligators, snakes, tortoises, spiders and iguanas. The local PheZulu guide will let you touch or hold some of the animals including a small crocodile and the giant Burmese python, just long enough to take a photo.



# Information

## **Tour Itinerary:**

- Nelson Mandela's Capture Site and Museum.
- Pietermaritzburg
- Howick Falls
- PheZulu Cultural Village
- PheZulu Reptile Park

#### INCLUDED:

- Collection and drop off from Durban in an Air-conditioned vehicle
- Entrance fees to all attractions.
- Qualified Tour Guide

#### NOT INCLUDED:

• Lunch

DEPARTURE/RETURN LOCATION: Pickup & drop off service within a 10km radius of Durban.

**DEPARTURE TIME: 08:30 AM** 

**RETURN TIME: 04:30 PM** 

WEAR: Comfortable clothing, walking Shoes, hat, sunscreen and jacket.

LOCATION: Howick, Pietermaritzburg, Valley of 100 Hills, South Africa

AGE: All ages welcome

DATES: All year round

TRAVELLER TYPE: Single or Per Person Sharing

## Why should you take this tour?

- You are looking for a Zulu culture day tour.
- You are interested in learning more about Nelson Mandela.
- You want to visit the reptile and snake park.