



SOUTH AFRICA
JUNE 27 TO JULY 11

YaleGALE in South Africa

June 27 to July 11, 2016

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Day 1: Monday, June 27 – U.S.A. to Johannesburg, South Africa

Day 2: Tuesday, June 28 – Johannesburg (Included meals: D)

Morning and Afternoon – Arrive in Johannesburg, (Train lovers can take the Gautrain in from the airport for high-speed comfort.) Spend the afternoon at leisure, seeing a bit of Jo'burg such as Nelson Mandela Square with its iconic 20 foot tall statue of the Nobel Prize winner.

Evening - Relish a Welcome Dinner at Moyo Zoolake with the entire group. Moyo Zoolake features African music (and for those less inhibited, face painting).

Day 3: Wednesday, June 29 - Johannesburg (B, L, D)

Morning – Breakfast and Morning Meeting at the hotel. We visit the Apartheid Museum for an in-depth look at South African history. Be prepared for an emotional morning.

Afternoon - Tour Soweto. Visit the only street where two Nobel prize winners have lived: Nelson Mandela and Bishop Desmond Tutu. While in Soweto, we will stop at the Nelson Mandela House Museum.

Evening - Friendship Reception and Dinner for the whole group with local Yalies.





YALE GLOBAL ALUMNI LEADERSHIP EXCHANGE

Day 4: Thursday, June 30 - Johannesburg (B, L)

Morning - Enjoy Breakfast at the hotel and Morning Meeting. Participate in YaleGALE orientation and training to prepare for the Exchanges. Learn more about Yale and AYA, cultivating leaders, and engaging alumni. Do you know what percentage of Yale College students get scholarships? What year AYA was started? Presenters and panelists will practice their speeches for a friendly audience.

During the orientation and training and all conferences and exchanges, friends and family will be offered optional alternative activities (there may be additional costs for the activity).



Afternoon – The entire group gets its first experience of the South African countryside as we travel to the Cradle of Humankind – part of the caves and dig site where some of the oldest humanoid bones have been found. The entire area, with multiple excavation sites, has been declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Evening – Dinner on your own

Day 5: Friday, July 1 - Johannesburg (B, L, D)

Morning and Afternoon – Breakfast and Morning Meeting at hotel. Yale alumni attend an all-day Conference at the University of Johannesburg sharing best practices in alumni relations. Alternate activities are offered for family and friends.



Evening – Spend some time with the YaleGALE group at our own dinner. Taste grilled game. In this part of the world venison does not connote deer, but rather springbok, kudu, or impala, often served as steak or carpaccio. Game of the day has a new meaning.

Day 6: Saturday, July 2 – Johannesburg to Alice (B, L, D)

Morning - Early Breakfast at the hotel. Then fly to East London, and travel by coach to lodging in Hogsback – a mountain village that some say inspired J.R.R. Tolkien's tales of Middle Earth.

Afternoon - After registering at our lodging, we go down to the town of Alice to visit the University of Fort Hare. Historically, Fort Hare has been a premier university for sub-Saharan blacks. Alumni include Nelson Mandela, Oliver Tambo, Robert Mugabe, Mangosuthu Buthelezi, and Seretse Khama.



University of Fort Hare
Together in Excellence

Evening - Enjoy a Friendship Dinner with Fort Hare alumni honoring the Centenary of the University.

Day 7: Sunday, July 3 – Alice (B, L, D)

Morning - Breakfast and Morning Meeting at the hotel. YaleGALE volunteers will be the presenters, moderators, panelists, and discussion leaders during morning sessions for the University of Fort Hare Centenary Conference on Alumni Relations. Alternative activities are offered for family and friends, including sampling of the International Festival of the Arts in Grahamstown.



Afternoon - We travel by coach to Pumba Game Reserve. There's time to unwind a bit, before experiencing your first afternoon game drive. Watch eland, zebra or wildebeest wander across the track – or gallop away – or stand so still among the bush that they are barely seen.

Evening – Cocktails among the wildlife, then back to the lodges for Dinner.

Day 8: Monday, July 4 – Pumba Game Reserve (B, L, D)

Morning – Enjoy early Breakfast at the game lodge, and the group is off for a morning game drive. Watch warthogs waddle. Hear African songbirds.

Afternoon - The group enjoys a Fourth of July Luncheon *braai* (barbeque) in the bush. Afternoon Retreat for Yale alumni, with a time for friends and family to relax. Afterwards, all go on another afternoon game drive. With luck you'll see some of their bull elephants "playing".

Evening – Cocktails in the veldt as the sun sets, giraffes silhouetted against the sky. Then dinner at the lodges.

Day 9: Tuesday, July 5 – Pumba to Port Elizabeth (B, L, D)

Morning – Enjoy early Breakfast at the game lodge before another morning game drive. Last chance to see Pumba's white lions.

Afternoon - The group travels by coach to Port Elizabeth. Enjoy a packed lunch on the coach (including locally famous mint and lamb pies). In Port Elizabeth the group has a short tour of Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University (NMMU). The University is the only one in South Africa to be situated on a nature reserve. So you are just as likely to see a mongoose on the lawn as a monkey.

Evening - The group enjoys a Friendship Dinner with NMMU alumni.

Day 10: Wednesday, July 6 – Port Elizabeth to Cape Town (B, L, D)

Morning - Breakfast and Morning Meeting at the hotel. Yale alumni attend the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University Conference. Family and friends head for the beach. Though it's winter in South Africa, Port Elizabeth is on the Indian Ocean. Consequently both air and water temperatures average in the mid-sixties. Some say sliding down the massive Maitland Sand Dunes is a unique thrill. (Optional alternates will be available, such as whale watching or museums.)

Afternoon -All travel by airplane to Cape Town

Evening – Relax with the group over Dinner, and sing the YaleGALE Song!





Day 11: Thursday, July 7 – Cape Town (B, R)

Morning – Breakfast and Morning Meeting at the hotel. Yale alumni have a morning preparation session, while family and friends enjoy the Victoria and Alfred Waterfront – named for Queen Victoria and her son Alfred. Like the Queen’s necklace, the Waterfront is the glittering jewel of old Cape Town. Lunch on your own.



Afternoon – Yale alumni attend an Exchange with the University of Cape Town (UCT), with optional alternates offered for family and friends. UCT is the premiere university in all Africa. Its business school is a partner with Yale in the Global Network for Advanced Management.

Evening - In the evening enjoy a Reception with UCT alumni. If you are still hungry, dinner on your own.

Day 12: Friday, July 8 – Cape Town (B, L, R)

Morning and Afternoon – Breakfast and Morning Meeting at the hotel. Yale alumni attend a Conference at the University of the Western Cape. Optional touring for Family and friends.

Evening - Enjoy a Reception hosted by the U.S. Consul General with local Yalies along with Fulbright, Humphrey, and Mandela-Rhodes Fellows. Dinner on your own.



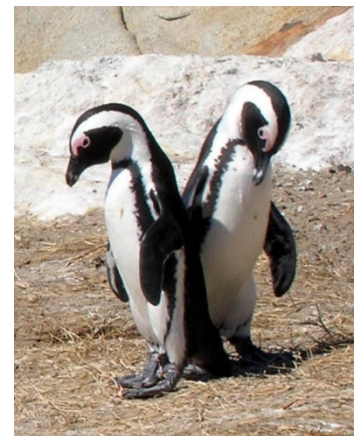
Day 13: Saturday, July 9 – Cape Town (B, L, D)

Morning and Afternoon – Enjoy Breakfast in hotel. Tour the Cape of Good Hope. See penguins, baboons, and possibly whales. (Don’t let the baboons steal your snacks!) Lunch in quaint Simon’s Town. View the majestic coast of the Atlantic Seaboard, then turn your head and gaze up at the magnificent slopes of Lion’s Head and the Twelve Apostles.

Evening - Dinner with the group at Gold. First you learn African drumming then watch the dancing during dinner. The more energetic are encouraged to join in.

Day 14: Sunday, July 10 – Cape Town (B, L, D)

Morning and Afternoon - Enjoy Breakfast in the hotel. Then, weather permitting, the entire group takes the ferry to Robben Island, the prison in which Nelson Mandela was held for eighteen years. In the afternoon, tour Cape Town and take the cable car to Table Mountain (weather permitting). **Note: this is the windy season at the Cape of Good Hope, so ferries do not always sail, and cable cars do not always operate.**



Evening – Celebratory Farewell Dinner at a South African vineyard. Winetasting? Of course!

Day 15: Monday, July 11 – Cape Town to home (Many flights to the USA will arrive Tuesday.)
Sala kahle. Sala kakuhle.