

# **Overberg Gravel Bike Meander**

Starting Point Cape Town Western Cape Province South Africa

Last Review: Thursday, 29th August 2024



Your itinerary and abbreviations: KM = distance cycled by bike, AM = altitude climbed by bike, B/L/D = meals included (Breakfast/ Lunch/ Dinner)

# Day 1 Fields of Gold and Grain

Get collected from your accommodation in the greater Cape Town area before doing a short transfer to the start of our gravel bike tour (1hour). We offload our bikes then set off into the country. The first hour takes us through the fruit orchards of the Elgin Valley. We then meet gravel road the first time and cycle through the fynbos covered Hottentots Holland Catchment Area. Today is a mix of tarmac and quiet, good gravel country roads passing fields of grain, sheep, and blue crane (South Africa's national bird). We load our bikes in a little town with a population of 2000 people. Known for the many galleries, shops, and country life. We do a short transfer to our country accommodation. (L)  $\pm$  80KM/1300AM

### Day 2 Southern Tip of Africa – Cape Agulhas

After a country breakfast, we cycle directly from our accommodation and head south towards the southernmost Tip of Africa, Cape Agulhas. Our route is on good gravel roads, combined with country tarmac passing farmlands with two climbs within the first 25km (225 and 28om). We end our cycle route at Cape Agulhas. Tonight's accommodation is in a modern guest house. **(B/L) \pm 96KM/800AM** 

#### Day 3 Breede River and the Malgas Pont

We do a short transfer today (30 minutes) to the start of our gravel pure cycle route. The saying "Quilted Landscape" applies today. The rolling hill landscape of fields of wheat and granola will keep you fascinated. We enjoy our picnic lunch in the shade of the bluegum trees before crossing the Breerevier by pontoon. We continue north on gravel and end our day just before Swellendam where we spend the night. (B/L) ± 85KM/1120AM

#### Day 4 Breede Valley and wine estates

We leave our guesthouse by bike and head north, venturing into the Breede Valley. Known for the wine estates, fruit farms, and views you can never get tired from. Depending on the mood of the group, we can do lunch on the banks of the Breede River or continue into Robertson and do a wine tasting combined with a filling lunch. We spend the night in Robertson using a comfortable guest house. (B/L/D) ± 75KM/ 810AM

#### Day 5 Robertson Wine Valley

We leave after a filling yet scrumptious breakfast by bike. Today we weave our way on gravel farm roads and tracks through different well-known wine estates and stop later for a cold beer at a prominent craft beer brewery before we continue following the base of the Langeberg Mountains. Today's cycle route is a mix of gravel, railway line, and a few tarmac sections. We load our bike just outside of Worcester and transfer back to Cape Town. During our one hour drive back to Cape Town, you can reminiscent over the last few days and plan your next cycling holiday with us. **(B/L) ± 55KM/600AM** 

If you would like us to arrange accommodation for your stay in Cape Town, please let us know. There are a number of options available in all corners of the city.

Valid for

**Tour Prices (ZAR)** 

1st Apr 2020 - 31st Dec 2020

Group Size 4 - 8 Per Person 11300.00 Single Supplement 850.00

Available on request Item Gravel Bike

Per Person 2250.00

#### **Tour Schedules**

No Fixed Departure Dates for this tour.

#### **TOUR DURATION AND HIGHLIGHTS**

- \* Five days of cycling with a support vehicle
- \* Experience true Overberg country hospitality
- \* Rolling hills with fields of gold and green (wide open country)

#### **DIFFICULTY LEVEL**

This all depends on the speed you cycle. There are a few climbs on different days but in general, the route follows a series of rolling hills which can be taxing on the less experienced. Being a private trip, you decide on how far or hard you cycle. Remember you have a driver/ guide in the support vehicle at all times.

#### DISTANCES

Don't let the distances fool you as your average climb per day is 926m.

- \* Average 78km per day
- \* Shortest day 55km
- \* Longest distance 96km

#### TERRAIN

Our route concentrates on a good quality hard-packed gravel road. There will be some tarmac sections that interlink the country roads, but in general, the majority of the route is gravel.

## PRICE EXCLUDES

- \* Flights to and from Cape Town
- \* Travel insurance
- \* Meals other than mentioned in the tour itinerary
- \* Beverages and personal expenses
- \* Service fees and gratuities
- \* Gravel bike rental

## **PRICE INCLUDES**

- \* All transfers/ collections and drop off of persons and luggage
- \* Qualified driver/guide for the duration of your cycling
- \* Constant support vehicle with basic tools for roadside repairs
- \* Water, bananas, isotonic powder and energy bars during the cycle
- \* 4 Nights accommodation on a bed and breakfast basis
- \* 1 Dinner
- \* 5 Light lunches in form of delicious picnics

# PACKAGE PRICE AND DATES

- \* Prices are based on per person sharing (double/twin).
- \* The offer is valid for a group size of 4-8 guests
- \* Should your group be less than our minimum group size do not despair, get in touch with us.
- \* Prices are subject to the availability of selected accommodation.
- \* Dates: Give us your dates and we can work around them.



Overberg Farmstall



Country Delights



Field of Gold



Agulhas Fisherman Cottage



Southern Tip of Africa



Malgas Pont



Country gravel roads



Interesting succulants



Always a welcome watering hole



Hugging the Langeberg Mountains



Hard packed gravel