



Pretoria, Soweto and Apartheid Museum Day Tour

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HIGHLIGHTS:

- Pretoria City
- Voortrekker Museum
- Kruger House Museum
- Church Square
- Union Buildings
- Mandela House
- Hector Pietersen Museum
- Apartheid Museum
- Vilakazi Street

INCLUSIONS:

- Pick-ups and drop-offs
- Entrance Fees
- Knowledgeable Guide
- Bottled Water.
- Lunch
- Snack

EXCLUSIONS:

- Extras
- Gratuities (optional)
- Drinks and alcohol
- All meals not mentioned.

Pick-up time: 08.00 am

Pick-up location: Your establishment in Sandton, Johannesburg, or Pretoria

Drop-off location: Your establishment in Sandton, Johannesburg, or Pretoria

Drop-off time: 16:00 pm

Duration: 8 Hours





DETAILED ITINERARY

08:00am - 09:00am: Pick up at your establishment in Sandton, Johannesburg, or Pretoria.

09:00am - 10:00am: Travel from your establishment to the Voortrekker Museum or Monument

10:00am - 10:30am: Visit Voortrekker Museum

About the Voortrekker Museum

- We start things off in the City of Pretoria by heading to the Voortrekker Museum to learn all about the great trek.
- This massive granite structure is located on a hilltop in the South side of Pretoria and can be seen upon entering the city from multiple angles.
- This monument was raised to commemorate the Voortrekkers who left the Cape Colony between 1835 and 1854.
- An impressive way to start our tour.

About Paul Kruger Museum

- Here we will learn about the great man Paul Kruger
- Kruger House is the historical residence of the Boer leader and President of South Africa in the Paul Kruger.
- It was built in 1884 by architect Tom Claridge and builder Charles Clark. It is said that milk was used, instead of water, for mixing of the cement from which the house was constructed, as the cement available was of poor quality.
- The house was also one of the first in Pretoria to be lit by electricity. The house contains either the original furnishings or items from the same historical period, some of the many gifts that were presented to Kruger as well as other memorabilia.

About Church Square

- Church square is in the historic center of Pretoria. The founder of Pretoria, Marthinus Pretorius declared the square to be used as a church yard and marketplace.
- The square was surrounded with various church buildings that stood from 1856 to 1905.
- Several historical and architectural significant buildings surround the square: The Palace of Justice, the Old Capitol Theatre, the Tudor Chambers, the Ou Raadsaal (the Old Chambers) and the General Post Office, designed by William Hawke

About the Union Buildings

- The Union Buildings serve as the formal seat of the South African government and house the President's offices. The imposing buildings are located in Pretoria, on top of Meintjieskop at the northern end of Arcadia.

About Mandela House

- The Nelson Mandela House or Mandela House is the house located on Vilakazi Street Orlando West Soweto in South Africa and was the residential house where Nelson Mandela lived from 1946 up until 1962 with his family.
- Located on 8115 at the corner of Vilakazi street and Ngakane street this house is not far from the Tutu house which was also the residential home of Archbishop Desmond Tutu.
- This is also the place which Nelson Mandela return to after being released from prison in 1990.
- This house is a true depiction of Mandela and his life with his family. Since 1999, the home has been declared a National Heritage Site as a monument into the long-fought struggle against the apartheid regime showcasing that even in the smallest and insignificant of places, light and courage can be found.

About Hector Pieterse Museum

- Hector Pieterse Museum will give us some inspiration on language resistance uprising in 1976.
- The Hector Pieterse Museum is located in Orlando West in Soweto, two blocks away from where Hector Pieterse was shot and killed on 16 June 1976.
- The museum is named in his honor, and covers the events of the anti-apartheid uprising of Soweto and the battle for anti-apartheid laws of having Afrikaans compulsory in all schools across South Africa.

About the Apartheid Museum

- The Apartheid Museum is our next stop where we get a true and final depiction on the magnitude of the Apartheid regime and the role Nelson Mandela, and his peers played in overcoming it.
- The Apartheid Museum was opened in November 2001. It is part of the Gold Reef City complex. Apartheid Museum Tours illustrates the rise and fall of apartheid.
- The Apartheid Museum Tour shows how South Africa was before apartheid ended in 1994. The Museum has about 22 exhibitions with each highlighting the various struggles during Apartheid era. The Exhibitions include the Nelson Mandela Release and the Mandela Presidency amongst the others.