



Wild Coast Cultural Adventure Experience 4 Day Tour

Day 1: Onto the Wild Coast

Arrive late afternoon at Buccaneers Backpackers, Chintsa. Meet **African Heartland Journeys** (AHJ) guiding team for a tour briefing before enjoying a game of beach volleyball or heading to the giant sand dune for sundowners. Dinner is a hearty meal served at **Buccaneers** overlooking the Chintsa lagoon and beach.



View from the Buccaneers Bar

Day 2: Culture and River Canyons

Early departure with **African Heartland Journeys** from Chintsa for the Great Kei River.

Cross the mouth of the Kei on the rickety pont and head into the hills and valleys of rural Transkei dotted with villages of the amaXhosa people and home to Nelson Mandela, father of our nation.

Today is spent on **mountain bikes** as you traverse this beautiful land with its rich cultural and political history.

Lunch is at the "Gates" on the Qolora River basin. Enjoy swimming in the rock pools and climbing behind the waterfalls.

Returning to the river late afternoon we head off on a **canoe expedition** to our overnight accommodation deep in the **Great Kei River canyon**.

An evening **potjie** with only the sounds of the river and wilderness beneath an African sky.



Canoeing up the Great Kei River

Day 3: AmaXhosa Culture

Enjoy a leisurely morning wake up with breakfast being served overlooking the river before the return journey up the Great Kei.

We will drive through to **Morgan Bay** for a short hike that traverses the majestic ocean cliffs of this area and learn of the marine and coastal environment of the east coast.

A picnic lunch will be served near the **Double Mouth Nature Reserve** and guests will be informed of the village experience they will be enjoying for night three.

Arriving in Ngxingxolo village we will be introduced to **Mama Tofu**, a well known and vibrant elder of the community. A wonderful

opportunity is given to the group to learn the intricacies of the amaXhosa and their culture.

A late afternoon walk through the village to the river will end a fascinating day with the evening meal being traditional food prepared by Mama Tofu's family. We will **overnight in this rural village staying in traditional homes hosted by the family.**



Learning about life in a rural village, night three



Enjoying the gorge at "The Gates", day 2



Mountain biking through the hills and valleys of former Transkei, day 2

Day 4: Farewell to the Wild Coast

An early morning wake up in the village is followed by breakfast before heading back to Chintsa, arriving mid morning.

Spend the afternoon enjoying the lagoon, beach and beautiful surrounds.

Bid farewell to the AHJ team and the Wild Coast.

Tour Includes

- ✓ Accommodation for three nights Meals as outlined in programme
- ✓ Transport
- ✓ Professional guides
- ✓ Canoes
- ✓ Mountain biking
- ✓ Motor boat
- ✓ Entry fees to the Gates
- ✓ Cultural experience
- ✓ Ferry fees

Tour Excludes

- ✓ Alcohol and travel snacks
- ✓ Phone calls & e-mail

What to bring

- ✓ Sleeping bag
- ✓ Trainers or good shoes for walking and cycling
- ✓ Rain jacket and warm top
- ✓ Swimming costume, sunblock and hat
- ✓ Shorts, t-shirts and long trousers
- ✓ Camera and spare batteries
- ✓ Torch
- ✓ Small denomination money for incidentals or crafts
- ✓ Energy and enthusiasm

Cost of Tour

Individual quotes given on request as they are group specific.