

Karoo Classic

7 NIGHTS - FULLY SUPPORTED - FULLY CATERED

Partners welcome



RECHARGE YOUR SOUL





Fully Supported

YOU RIDE - WE DO THE REST

We love looking after you!

We understand the importance of a seamless and worry-free experience. That's why we take immense pride in offering you an exceptional journey that leaves you with nothing but great memories. Our fully supported tours include transport for your bikes and luggage and refreshments during the rides.

With a support vehicle in tow, we are ready to handle any unforeseen events, from mechanical issues to tired legs.

Join us for an adventure of a lifetime!



Good Food - good mood

We are passionate about good food.

Our meals are carefully crafted to fuel your body and keep your energy levels high on even the longest bike rides. You can expect nothing less than the best of authentic South African cuisine - from hearty breakfasts to refreshing picnic lunches and mouthwatering traditional braai dinners.



Unwind & Relax

After a long day of riding, you can unwind with an ice-cold beer or a glass of wine and sit by the campfire and enjoy the breathtaking starry sky while sharing stories from the day.



Trip summary

Duration: 7 nights

Dates: all year – on request

Region: Karoo, South Africa

Age: 18+

Fitness level: good fitness level
(E-bikes available)

Riding level: moderate

Language: German and English

Group size: 14 participants

Price: from 2100€

Included services

- Accommodation for 7 nights at good quality cottages and chalets
- 6 days of guided gravel riding (350 km in total)
- Transport from CapeTown to George
- Transport from Klaarstroom to Baakensrug
- Transport from Baakensrug to Cape Town
- All meals, from dinner on Day 1 to breakfast on Day 8
- Support vehicle
- Trailside repairs
- Drinks and snacks en route daily
- English and German-speaking local female tour guides (10 years guiding experience, qualified first aiders and internationally certified MTB coaches)

Excluded services

- Drinks (we will have an honesty bar stocked with local beers, wines and soft drinks.)
- Rental bikes
- Rental helmet
- Bike parts
- Tips
- Cancellation costs and travel insurance

Additional services

- Full suspension analogue SCOTT Spark
- Full suspension E-bike SCOTT Patron
- Gravel Bike SCOTT Addict
- Gravel E-Bike SCOTT Solace
- Single room supplement

Karoo Splendour

The thrill of the outdoors, the beauty of nature, wide open spaces, the serenity of being unplugged. Our Karoo tour offers you all of these experiences.

We will conquer iconic mountain passes that have found its way onto the bucket list of many international travellers.



HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Day 1 - Arrive at George

We will transport you and your bikes from Cape Town to George a city nestled on the breath-taking Garden Route of South Africa's Western Cape.

Our adventure begins with a warm welcome dinner, where we get to know each other and anticipate the exhilarating days ahead.



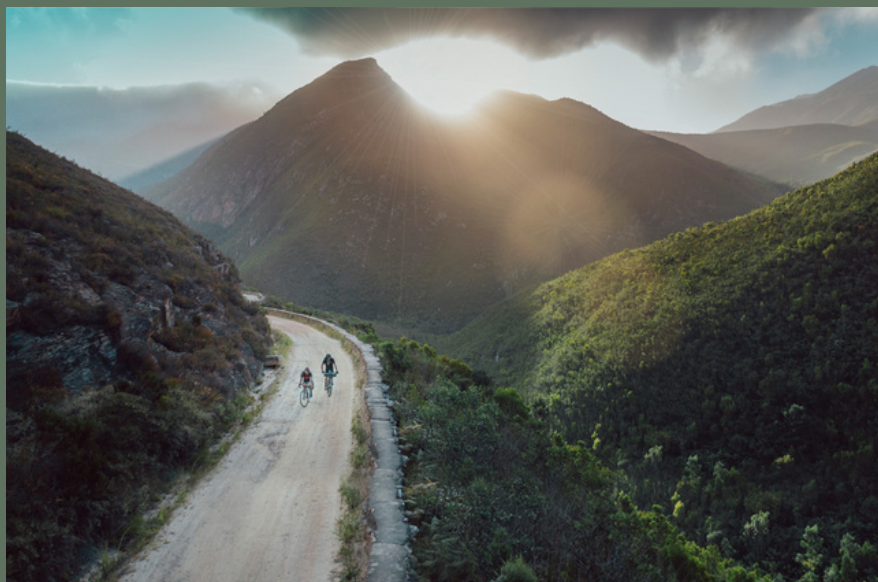
***It is not the mountain we
conquer but ourselves.***
Edmund Hillary

Day 2

George to Oudtshoorn

We will kick off our day with a short cycling trip around the town before embarking on our journey to conquer the Montagu Pass. This historic and world-renowned all-gravel pass is famous for its indigenous forest, mountain fynbos, and breathtaking scenery. The Montagu Pass, the oldest unaltered pass still in use in South Africa, will lead us to the heart of the Klein Karoo. Finally, we will wrap up our day by enjoying drinks and dinner at the guesthouse near Oudtshoorn.

78 km, 1024 m elevation



ADVENTURE AWAITS

Day 3 - Oudtshoorn to Prince Albert

CONQUERING THE SWARTBERG PASS



***“Jobs fill your pocket.
Adventures fill your soul.”***

— Jaime Lyn Beatty

After enjoying a delicious breakfast, we will get ready for the Swartberg Pass, which is known as a "hors-category" climb and is a must-do for any avid cyclist!

You have two options to choose from: We can transport you and your bikes to the Cango Caves, where you can start your ride. This option will reduce the length of your ride and decrease some of the elevation. Alternatively, you can choose to climb the entire length of the pass. While cycling up the pass, you will be amazed by the stunning scenery that surrounds you. The ever-changing views will leave you spellbound, and each one is as breathtaking as the one before.

We will finish our day by cycling through the charming town of Prince Albert to reach our guesthouse, where we can relax with a refreshing drink and enjoy a delicious dinner.

Option1: 94km, 1808m elevation

Option 2: 72 km, 1350 m elevation (shorter option)

EXPERIENCE AWE

Day 4 - Prince Albert

THE JEWEL OF THE KAROO

On the fourth day, we will be exploring Prince Albert on and off the bike. Our day will start with a scenic ride to the Weltevrede Fig Farm, which is located about 25 km outside the town. The ride will be an undulating cruise with a short, sharp hill in the middle. At the farm, which lies like an oasis in an arid desert, you will be treated to the most delicious plunger coffee and fig tart, along with other delicacies.

Once we return, you can spend your time exploring Prince Albert: visit a lovely dairy and cheese farm, enjoy an olive tasting, or simply relax and rest your tired legs.

64 km, 775 m elevation



UNPLUG RECHARGE RESTORE

Day 5 - Prince Albert to Klaarstroom

Our next day of riding will take us to the charming and historic village of Klaarstroom, whose name translates to "clear stream" in English. This authentic Karoo village has a rich history and is one of the few remaining villages that have retained their original character.

After lunch at the Klaarstroom Hotel, we will have the opportunity to swim in the Meiringspoort waterfall. This stunning waterfall is hidden in a deep ravine, with water cascading down a smooth 60-meter rock face and ending in a 9-meter deep rock pool.

50 km, 600 m elevation



MEIRINGSPOORT WATERFALL

Transport to Baakensrug

After our cycle, lunch and swim, we can rest our legs. Our shuttle will take us, along with our bikes, on a scenic drive to our next destination: Baakensrug Holiday Farm.

***DISCOVER NATURE
DISCOVER YOURSELF***

Day 6 and 7 - Baakensrug

Day 6: We will enjoy a sumptuous Karoo breakfast before heading out into the wide open spaces. We will cycle on jeep and sheep tracks and stop to have tea and cake on the neighbouring farm and a picnic in the veld.

Back at the lodge, we will be treated to a traditional lamb braai.

30 km, 500 m elevation



Day 7: We start our day with an early coffee on the lawn. After breakfast, you will receive your "kos pakkie", a lunch package that we will enjoy during our picnic break while cycling. On the last day, our route will take us through beautiful farmlands, and we will relish in the splendour of the Karoo for one final time. To end our day, we will have a memorable farewell dinner with a delightful Sundowner picnic.

40 km, 500 m elevation

Day 8 - Farewell

After our final breakfast together, it is time to return to Cape Town. Along the picturesque Garden Route, we'll pause at idyllic farm stalls, taking in this incredible region's sights, sounds, and flavours.

Meet the fleet



Scott Addict Gravel

The ALL NEW Addict Gravel 30 is light, can handle rough terrain, fits chunky tires and has enough mounts to carry all the liquids and freeze-dried chicken curry you want. What's really important, though is what this bike allows you to do. Now, perhaps more than ever, the Addict Gravel 30 is your ticket to adventure when you need it most. Find yourself, get lost.



Scott Solace Gravel eRide

The Solace Gravel eRIDE has a confidence-inspiring geometry with an endurance-focused riding position. Together with the lightweight carbon frame, generous tire clearance and the SCOTT Addict Gravel heritage, the Solace Gravel eRIDE offers a riding experience which encourages the exploration of every trace of gravel.

Scott Spark

The Spark is not only one of the most successful full-suspension bikes on the World Cup circuit, it's also SCOTT's most popular bike for non-racers. Light, capable, fast – a cross-country dream.



Scott Patron e-bike

The all-new Patron eRIDE was designed as a system optimized for all day trail riding. Supreme integration and painstakingly chosen geometry paired with a powerful new Bosch drive unit deliver much more than a great ride. What you get, rather, is a sublime experience up and down the mountain, time and time again. Patron eRIDE - boss the trails.

***Nikki Haywood***

Nikki is a mountain bike enthusiast and the owner and founder of Trail Angels.

She has inspired, encouraged and empowered hundreds of women to participate in MTB. She is fascinated by the psychological effects of MTB and how it boosts confidence and facilitates personal growth.

***MTB Coach &
Pilates Teacher***

Nikki has a Human Movement Science degree and has been teaching Pilates for the last 18 years. She is a qualified and BICP accredited MTB coach. She was born in Cape Town and knows the trails in and around Cape Town like the back of her hands. Nikki has been guiding club rides for the past eleven years. She has completed four Cape Epics, six Wines2Whales, three Sani2C, the Imana Wild Ride and has cycled 2000km across South Africa with a friend for three weeks through the bush, unsupported.

YOUR HOSTS***Lena Ronge***

Lena is a paediatrician originally from Germany and moved to Cape Town 9 years ago.

She has been a member of the Trail Angels for the past five years. She is passionate about the benefits of mountain biking for general fitness and how it can positively impact mental wellbeing.

***MTB Coach &
Medical Doctor***

She is a qualified and PMBIA accredited MTB coach and is one of our club ride leaders and a highly regarded skills coach.

Lena loves technical riding and has competed in several XCO races. She has done three Wines2Whales events.



***“Of all the paths you take in life, make sure
a few of them are dirt.” — John Muir***

OUR PASSION

It is a collaboration between Nikki Haywood and Lena Ronge from Trail Angels sharing their passion for mountain biking, adventure, outdoors, great food & wine, wellbeing and personal development.



Karoo Classic mini



Terms and conditions

It is important that you read our terms and conditions below when signing up for the "Karoo classici" event. All events are operated by Trail Angels and affiliated parties ("the Company", "us", "our", "we") and are sold to the client ("the Client", "you") subject to the following conditions. By making a booking, you understand and agree to these Terms and Conditions.

Payment and Booking

Payment for the event will be made up front in full via the dedicated booking system unless otherwise indicated at the time of booking.

A contract shall exist between you and the Company when a booking is received and you have received your event confirmation.

One person may accept the booking Terms and Conditions on behalf of a group if more than one place is being booked. The same terms and conditions will apply for all other participants of that group.

Client Cancellation

Cancellations greater than 28 days before the start of an event will receive a 80% refund.

Cancellations between 15-28 days in advance of the event will receive a 50% refund.

Cancellations within 14 days of the event commencing are non-fundable.

Client Amendments

Names can be changed up to 14 days prior to the tour commencing.

Cancellation by the Company

Should an unforeseen event require the Company to cancel your booking, a full refund will be provided minus booking fees. Where possible your booking will be transferred to an alternative date. The Company will only cancel if forced to do so by circumstances beyond our control. For example, but not limited to: riot, war, pandemic, adverse weather conditions, fire or other natural disaster.

To maintain the quality of our events, we may require a minimum number of participants. If the minimum numbers have not been met 2 weeks before the event date we reserve the right to cancel. In these circumstances you will first be offered an alternative date. If this is not acceptable to you the Company will offer you a full refund for your booking. We will not be liable for any other expenses you may have incurred as a result of your booking being cancelled.

Event Details

We will endeavour to stick to the event details as sold, however unforeseen circumstances may force changes to the planned schedule. These decisions will generally only be taken when considering the safety and comfort of the group.

We will keep all parties informed of any changes to the event – these may include changes to timing, room changes.

Insurance and Liability

All sports involve an element of risk and your booking represents acceptance of this.

It is advised that all participants have adequate personal accident insurance cover to cover them for participating in the event and any incidents arising from such an activity.

The Company accepts no liability for personal accident, loss or damage to personal equipment of clientele participating in our event.

Participants take part in our events at their own risk and they must abide by the rules laid down by the hosts at the present time.

Medical and Fitness

When booking on to an event it is your responsibility to ensure you are at the minimum fitness and skill level required to participate in the event. You are required to read the event information. When signing up you accept that you have understood the event details.

Any medical conditions affecting your participation in the activity should be notified to the Company. You must notify us of any specific medication and dietary requirements at time of booking.

Participants take part in events at their own risk and they must abide by the rules laid down by the hosts at the present time.

Participants (Minimum Age Restrictions)

Unfortunately any person under the age of 18 is unable to sign up for the event.

Personal Equipment

No equipment is provided and it is the participants responsibility to have all required kit to take part. A suggested kit list is provided in the event information but is not limited to items on the list.

Personal protective equipment at a minimum must include a helmet. These must be worn at all times during the ride. Additional personal protective equipment (eg gloves, eyewear, knee pads) are at rider's discretion. We will not be held liable or responsible for any damage to personal or hired equipment damaged by you as a result of taking part in our event.

Hired Bikes

Hired bikes are available for participants.

The Company is not responsible in any way or form from instances arising from hired bikes.

Complaints

You have up to 28 calendar days to issue a complaint following an event. We value your feedback on all events and will respond within a reasonable time frame and no more than 60 days after receipt of your complaint.