

# **IZINDABA**

Welcome to Izindaba (which is Zulu for news in case you were wondering).

This is our new monthly trade newsletter where we will update you on the latest news, product developments, hints and important pieces of information from SAA.

Read on and learn more!

### 2025 Early Bird fares to Africa

We are pleased to advise that SAA has released Early bird Promotional fares, between ADL/BNE/MEL/SYD/PER to JNB/DUR/CPT/PLZ for travel between 01FEB25 and 31AUG25.

From	То	Published Fare*	SA Booking Class	VA Booking Class	QF Booking Class	Change Fee	Cancel Fee
PER	JNB/CPT/DUR/PLZ	AUD 838	G	N/A	N/A	225 AUD	400AUD
ADL/BNE/MEL/SYD	JNB/CPT/DUR/PLZ	AUD 1020	G**	T	0	225AUD	400AUD

<sup>\*</sup>Fares are AUD gross excl YR & taxes

\*\*SAA codeshare flights operated by VA are allowed in the same booking class as the international flight

Intra-Africa flights to be booked in "B" class

Refer to GDS for full fare conditions and further information



## **Mandatory Contact Details in SAA PNR's**

Please remember it's a mandatory requirement to have customer contact mobile and email details in all SAA PNR's. This information is used to email pax regarding late notice flight cancellations, delays and change of boarding gates. The various CRS entries are listed below as a reminder.

Amadeus:

SRCTCM-0061123456789

SRCTCE-first.surname@example.com

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3CTCM/0061123456789-1.1 (whichever customer it applies)

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# More flights to Mauritius & Lubumbashi

We are pleased to advise we have increased the number of flights to Mauritius & Lubumbashi to meet the growing demand from travelers between South Africa and these two destinations. SAA relaunched service to Mauritius in November 2021 with a daily morning flight.

Now, SAA is adding another morning flight between Johannesburg's OR Tambo International Airport and Mauritius. Effective 1 December 2024, SAA customers will have the option of two daily morning departure times from Johannesburg between the two destinations.

- SA190 departs JNB at 09h40, arriving MRU at 15h40
- SA192 departs JNB at 10h45 arriving in MRU at 16h45

The return flights from Mauritius, are as follows in local time

SA 191 departs MRU at 16h30, arriving in JNB at 18h55

• SA 193, departing MRU at 17h35, arriving in JNB at 20h00

SAA is set to introduce a new flight route connecting **Johannesburg to Lubumbashi**, Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), starting 1 November. The service will operate five times weekly from OR Tambo International Airport to Lubumbashi International Airport.

The outbound flight will depart Johannesburg at 10:50, arriving in Lubumbashi at 13:20, with the return flight leaving at 14:10 and landing at 17:15 in Johannesburg, Monday through Friday.



#### **Victoria Falls Flights & Fares**

Just a reminder about our daily flight schedule to Victoria Falls from Johannesburg. Victoria Falls presents a spectacular sight of awe-inspiring beauty and grandeur on the Zambezi River, forming a natural border between Zambia and Zimbabwe.

SAA flies there every day from JNB with direction connections to and from our PER-JNB flights and we have through fares filed to VFA from PER as well as ADL, BNE, CBR, MEL, SYD and New Zealand.

For example, fares from PER start from AU\$2265\* RT in Economy Class. including YR & taxes. Check-out CRS fare displays for more details.

\*Based on current GLSS1YAU fare level. Price is subject to change and currency fluctuations



# **Visiting South Africa in September?**

The first month of spring in South Africa is a fantastic time to visit. The country comes alive with its blooming wildflowers and new life as many of the animals give birth, offering some special

opportunities for wildlife viewing. Many festivals and ideal weather to take advantage of the scenic landscapes. It's truly a great month to explore South Africa

**What to Do?** September is perfect for safaris in Private game reserves or Kruger National Park, offering great opportunities to see the Big Five. Or hike among the blooming wildflowers in the Western Cape for a colourful outdoor experience.

**Where to Go?** Along with the famous wildlife reserves, Spring in South Africa also means some amazing hiking opportunities, like Table Mountain in Cape Town or explore the trails of the Drakensberg Mountains for more adventure. Wine tasting in the Cape Winelands. Or drive along the Garden Route for stunning coastal scenery

**Events in September?** September in South Africa is the start of spring, with Heritage Month events across the country, September 24 (national holiday) and the Hermanus Whale Festival, where you can see southern right whales close to shore and enjoy local festivities.



# Sales Team Spotlight for September

I am Vicki and was fortunate enough to have worked with The Walshe Group for 7 years prior to COVID as Sales Manager South African Airways WA/SA. With over 40 years in the travel industry, I have a strong background working with wholesalers and a passion for airlines.

During Covid I expanded my horizons and studied wine, completing two international courses and worked for a wine distribution company. Returning to SAA in February 2024 was a very happy experience. South Africa is my favourite holiday destination, with safaris being a highlight, offering you memorable experiences in wildlife viewing.

I am dedicated to Australian Rules football and while there is nothing better than the spirit of the game, my team West Coast Eagles have not done so well this year. I maintain a healthy and active lifestyle running most mornings 5 – 8 kms and on weekends enjoy 10 – 16 km walks with friends. In 2023 I achieved my personal goal and ran 21k in the HBF Fun Run with my daughter. I also have three amazing grown-up children and one gorgeous grandson. I love cooking and entertaining, if I am not at a football game or travelling in South Africa!

Certainly, I am enjoying the great opportunity with SAA as Sales Manager Western Australia and South Australia, working with Eve Kelly and Zen Ali in Perth WA. Thanks for all your support so far as our flight loads have been excellent and we look forward to potentially adding more services sometime soon.

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