

The French Corner

Franschhoek Excursion

Full Day 09:00 – 17:00



Our day start by leaving Cape Town and heading for the Franschhoek Valley.

The “French Corner” became home to the many Huguenots who arrived at the Cape of Good Hope at the end of the 17th century, as a result of the large-scale Protestant flight from France after the revocation of the Edict on Nantes in 1685.

En route to Franschhoek, we will visit the “Taal Monument” which offers beautiful views over the Franschhoek valley and surrounding winelands. Thereafter, we visit the famous Boschendal Wine Estate for a conducted wine-tasting. We visit the historic manor house – a prime example of Cape Dutch architecture in the vineyards.

A short drive takes us into Franschhoek, characterized by quaint side-walk café's and village atmosphere. This village is considered the food and wine centre of the Cape Winelands. We take lunch at a local wine-estate.

There is an opportunity to explore the many shops and galleries that are synonymous with this area.

In the afternoon, we will return to the hotel via the historical university of Stellenbosch.

The tour includes:

- English speaking guide
- Transport in a luxury air-conditioned vehicle
- Wine-tasting
- Lunch and Refreshments



Tour notes:

<http://www.franschhoek.org.za>

A little France at the tip of Africa.

<http://www.boschendal.com>

Of all the stately farmsteads in the Drakenstein Valley, Boschendal has the finest setting. So wrote the Cape's well known restoration architects Gawie and Gwen Faan at the time of the renaissance of Boschendal in the late 1970's.