



2019 African Custom Knives Safari

Complete Itinerary and Information

Questions & Booking - Contact Nolan

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5 Day Safari:

Located in the Eastern Cape of South Africa, Tollie's African Safari offers great hunting and 5-Star accommodations and meals.

- Safari includes:
 - 5 Days at the Lodge
 - 4 Days of Hunting
 - 3 Trophy Animals (Blue or Black Wildebeest, Impala or Blesbok, and Springbok)
 - 2 Management Animals – Horns from these animals are used for your Trophy Knife. (Impala or Mountain Reedbuck and Springbok)
- Meals, drinks, 5-star accommodations, laundry service, Professional Hunter, Tracker, Skinner, field preparation of trophies, shipping of Trophy Knife materials, hunting permits and tax is included.
- **Other species may be added for additional fees – 30 species available!**
- Optional trip to Addo Elephant Park included. (If time permits)
- Check out Tollie's African Safaris: www.huntinginafrica.website

Knife Forging Course:

There is nothing quite like hand-forging your own knife. This class will teach you how to forge a knife with instruction by **Neels van den Berg** - American Bladesmith Society Journeyman Smith and member of the Knifemaker's Guild of Southern Africa.

- The class focuses on the fundamentals of forging, grinding, heat-treating and sharpening a knife. No previous Bladesmithing experience is needed but enthusiasm and a willingness to learn is important!
- You will take home YOUR hand forged knife and a Bladesmithing 101 DVD.
- Also included is a Traditional South African Braai (BBQ)!!
- More information about Neels van den Berg: www.blackdragonforge.co.za

KGSA Knife Show:

Being a member of the Knifemaker's Guild of Southern Africa is widely regarded as an honor and a responsibility. The members are truly regarded as the absolute best knifemakers in Africa.

- At the Guild Show, approximately 50 knifemakers gather to display, compete, and judge each other's knives. Only Guild Members are allowed to exhibit, so you will see the best knives South Africa has to offer.
- You will have VIP access to the show, one-on-one interaction with the knifemakers and the first opportunity to purchase knives at the show. There is a good chance that some of those knifemakers will join us for dinner on Friday evening too!
- Purchases made at the Guild show are **NOT** covered in your Trip Fees.
- See members of the Guild here: <http://www.kgsa.co.za/>

Port Elizabeth Day Activities & Thys Meades' Workshop:

- Day activities may include: Game Reserve, Lion Park, visiting local Port Elizabeth attractions and markets depending on the desire of the group.
- Visit to **Thys Meades'** workshop. Thys is a up and coming master knifemaker with a focus on fine slipjoints and traditional knives. We will tour his shop and see where the magic happens!

Your Personal, Custom, Hand-made Trophy Knife:

Commemorate your safari with a custom hand-forged knife, crafted from the natural material of your animals harvested on the Safari!

- Choose either a Bowie or a Pukko style blade and pick which horns or bones you'd like the knife to include. **Stuart Smith** will create a trophy that will last a lifetime!
- ** Delivery time is 4-6 months due to drying time of the natural materials.
- ** One 8" – 10" knife is included. If you'd like more than one knife or a larger Bowie, additional fees may apply.
- See **Stuart Smith's** work here: www.facebook.com/SmithHandForgedKnives

Full Itinerary (2019):

Date	Activity
July 31 st	Depart USA for South Africa through Atlanta (Additional day of travel may have to be planned for certain parties, depending on available flights into Atlanta)
August 1 st	Arrive in Johannesburg
August 2 nd	Knifemakers Guild of Southern Africa Knife Show
August 3 rd	Knifemakers Guild of Southern Africa Knife Show
August 4 th	Black Dragon Forging Day and traditional South African Braai (BBQ) with Neels van den Berg
August 5 th	Flight from Johannesburg to Port Elizabeth, then drive to Tollie's African Safaris located in Somerset East (Day activities may be available based on flight timing)
August 6 th	Hunt with Tollie's African Safaris
August 7 th	Hunt with Tollie's African Safaris
August 8 th	Hunt with Tollie's African Safaris
August 9 th	Hunt with Tollie's African Safaris
August 10 th	Day activities and visit Thys Meades' workshop in Port Elizabeth
August 11 th	Day Activities / Depart South Africa for USA (Additional day of travel may be required)

Policies & Procedures:

- All participants must be 18 years old or older. Participants under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a responsible guardian.
- All participants must possess a valid passport and driver's license (**a copy must be submitted with initial deposit**)
- All participants must fully read and complete the Liability Release provided by African Custom Knives. **Due with initial deposit.**
- Included Items covered by Trip Fees:
 - Two-way airline tickets in main cabin from airport closest to participant where Delta operates to Johannesburg, South Africa.
 - Two-way airline tickets in main cabin from Johannesburg to Port Elizabeth.
 - Ground transportation while in South Africa.
 - Lodging throughout the trip in South Africa (Double occupancy. Single occupancy can be arranged at request for an additional \$750 to be paid with final payment(s) due on or before June 15, 2019.)
 - Meals throughout the trip in South Africa.
 - Two-day VIP passes to the KGSA Knife Show.
 - One day forging class at Black Dragon Forge.
 - One "Trophy Knife" from Smith Handforged Knives. (Materials provided by participants harvested animals during Safari.)
 - Five Day Safari with Tollie's African Safaris.
 - Professional photography throughout the trip.
- Items **NOT Included** with this package:
 - Additional animals harvested while on Safari with Tollie's Safaris.
 - **Tips and gratuity to the Safari Staff.**
 - Taxidermy.
 - Firearm rental, if needed.
 - Knives purchased at the KGSA Knife Show.

Fees & Payment Schedule:

Total Cost for African Custom Knives Safari: **\$9,500.00 USD**

Payment Schedule

Upon Signup	Non-refundable Deposit	\$500.00
March 15 th , 2019	Payment	\$2,250.00
April 15 th , 2019	Payment	\$2,250.00
May 15 th , 2019	Payment	\$2,250.00
June 15 th , 2019	Final Payment	\$2,250.00 or Total Balance

- All amounts are in USD
- \$500 Deposit is non-refundable
- Once airline tickets are purchased, refund for that amount cannot be issued
- ACK reserves the rights to book flights at their discretion
- Must cancel in writing by June 15th, 2019 for a partial refund
- 3.5% fee will be added for Credit Card Transactions
- \$750 discount is offered for Early Bird payment (Total balance paid prior to April 15, 2019)

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact **Nolan at ACK**. We're looking forward to seeing you in Africa!

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