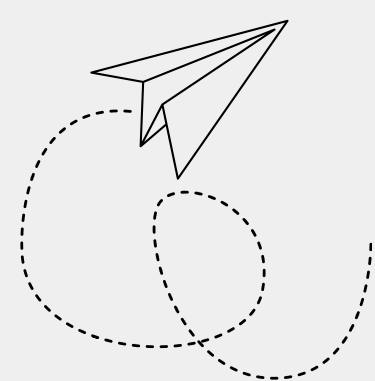




Tour 1 - Brief Blitz

Thrilling Moments Unleashed

Duration	4 days
Total direct distance	700 nm
Approx. flying hours	8 hrs (incl. numerous T & Gs)
Difficulty level	Very technical Mountain and valley flying with short, narrow mountainous bush strips
Experience required	Minimal with safety pilot
Best time of year	Possible year round Best April - October (dry season) although during the wet season it's mainly isolated. Thunderstorms to contend with
Level of accommodation	Comfortable guest houses - 2 to 3 star
Suitability for partners	This tour is all about the flying, so best suited to 2 pilots sharing the experience
Price	On request



This expedition provides a captivating introduction to the essence of bushflying across Africa, seamlessly blending exhilarating flying experiences with diverse destinations within a condensed timeframe. Ideal for pilots constrained by work commitments and mindful of budget considerations, the nature of this tour dictates the inclusion of a safety pilot—a prudent choice given the brevity of the trip, emphasizing the unique insights they can impart en-route.

Day 1 Hoedspruit / Kruger

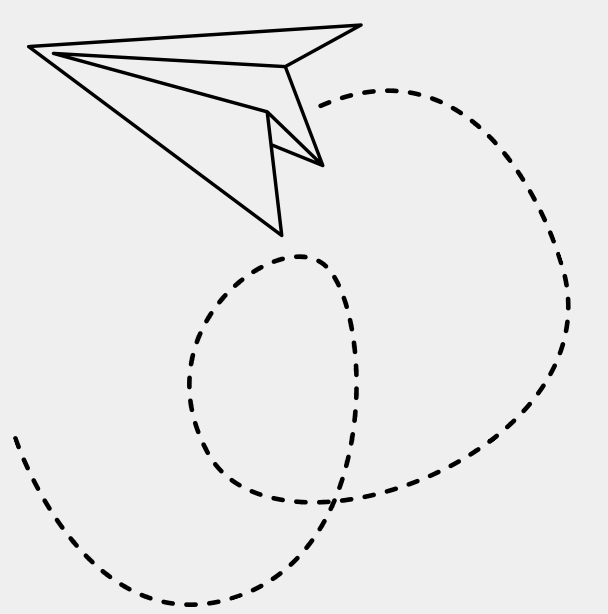
Commencing from Wonderboom Airport in Pretoria, the journey unfolds over various strips and dirt tracks for touch 'n go exercises. Descending from the Highveld to the Lowveld across the Drakensberg Mountains, you navigate through the awe-inspiring Blyde River Canyon (ranking as the third largest canyon globally, following the Grand and Fish River Canyons). The day encompasses canyon and mountain flying, culminating in an overnight stay in the Hoedspruit area.

(Optional: Luxuriate in an overnight stay at a Kruger Lodge, complete with evening and morning game drives.)

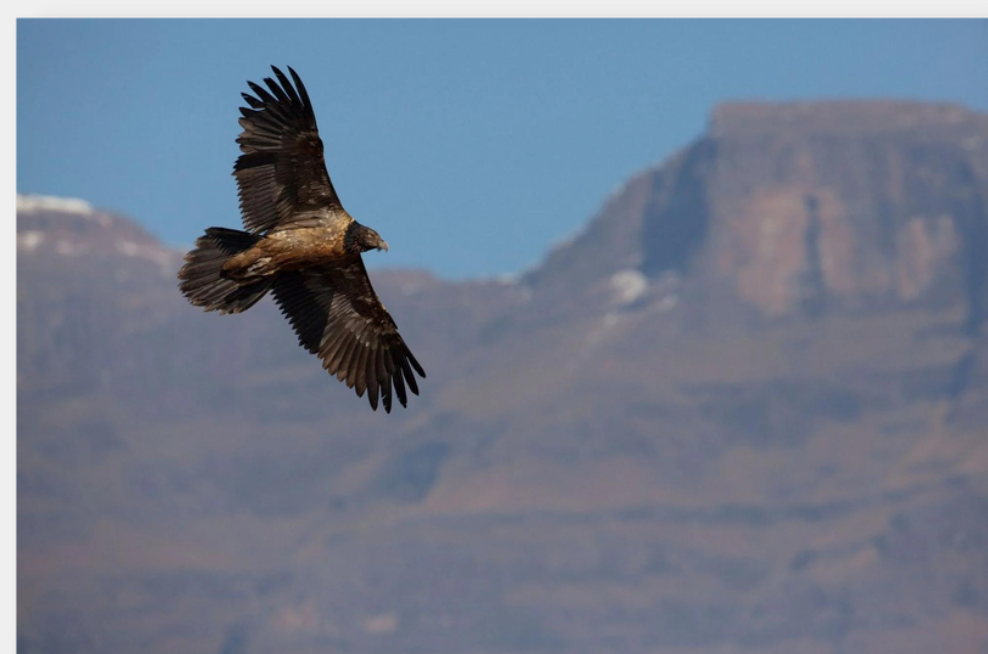


Day 2 Nelspruit

Heading southward, you retrace your path through the Blyde Canyon, exploring intriguing hilltop airstrips along the way. Soaring over the Kruger Park and adjacent Game Reserves, keep a keen eye out for elephants, hippos, and other majestic creatures visible from the air. The Nelspruit area offers a plethora of interesting and often technically challenging landing strips. Your day concludes with an overnight stay in Nelspruit and an optional trip to Chimp Eden, a sanctuary affiliated with the Jane Goodall Institute, providing a haven for chimpanzees displaced from their natural habitat.



Day 3 Drakensberg



Your flight traverses the Swazi Mountains, the historic Anglo-Boer battlefields, and the undulating hills of KwaZulu-Natal, leading you to the base of the towering Drakensberg Mountains. At 11,000 feet, gaining altitude becomes imperative for skimming along the ridge, especially spectacular when snow-covered in winter. The landing at Dragon Peaks is technically demanding—a one-way in, one-way out strip with minimal margin for error. However, the preceding days should have adequately prepared you for this challenge. Rest for the night in a comfortable log cabin.

Day 4 Wonderboom

Your journey takes you to the neighbouring El Mirador landing strip for a hearty breakfast before your northward return. Approaching Jo'burg Special Rules, the contrast in the tranquil skies becomes apparent, juxtaposed with the influx of position reports from other aircraft. Skirting the Johannesburg CTR, your adventure concludes with a landing back at Wonderboom Airport.

