

# L'Impérial

South Africa 2008



## TOUR EXCLUSIVES

- Cars transported for pickup on the tarmac of Port Elizabeth Airport.
- Shuttle plane transfer to South Africa's most beautiful lodge in Singita (Ebony & Boulders), reserved exclusively for tour participants.
- A tasting of South Africa's finest wines during a picnic with delicious French food.



## South Africa in 2008

*A world of nature*



The 2008 "L'Impérial - Rallye d'Exception" was designed for lovers of the great outdoors, with South Africa's legendary wide open spaces and wildlife.

### *A change in hemispheres*

The 2 800 km route meandered across the southern tip of Africa, starting in Port Elizabeth and finishing in Cape Town. At each of the tour's thirteen stops, participants discovered South Africa's hidden wonders and breathtaking scenery from behind the wheels of their own classic cars.

### *Across the wilderness*

The tour explored South Africa's varied landscapes, travelling through the lush vegetation in Mpumalanga province, the vast Kalahari desert, and the vineyards north of Cape Town, giving drivers a chance to admire the Drakensberg rock formations and the stunning beauty of Golden Gate National Park. Participants also caught glimpses of Big Five game – lions, elephants, leopards, rhinoceroses and buffalos on private game reserves as well as in the renowned Kruger Park. Tour participants enjoyed memorable drives along South Africa's emblematic Garden Route, Seven Passes Road, and Route 62 – one of the longest roads in the world.

### *First-class treatment*

In addition to the country's astounding beauty – illuminated in pink and gold at every sunrise – the tour served up first-class service at every step of the way. From prestigious hotels and exclusive homes to rustic lodges, luxury was the leitmotif of this tour. The pampering continued with fine tables including a gourmet lunch at Paarl Rock, in the only Relais gourmand (Relais & Châteaux chain) restaurant in Africa, a candle-lit dinner in the bush, and sunset cocktails in the Valley of Desolation. In short, the tour was a multi-sensory experience that created lasting memories.

*"We lived an intense adventure  
deep in the heart of Africa."*

