



LEEF JOU REIS

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A glimpse into my journey

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*Music was my first love
but travel is my passion.*

To understand the meaning behind “Leef Jou Reis,” one must discover, take detours, and embrace the alternative routes or the roads less travelled. To eat and mingle with the local people and truly comprehend their culture, we have this special opportunity to become authentic travellers, rather than mere tourists visiting a country.

Growing up in the small town of Mossel Bay, I have had the privilege of setting foot on 7 continents and explored over 85 countries. With all this experience and passion for travel, we would like to extend a warm invitation to you to join our global travel family.

We are the “cool kids” of travel and we do it in style...

Welcome to Leef Jou Reis





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Join us on an unforgettable journey through the heart of Europe, where each day unfolds with new discoveries!

From basking in the breathtaking beauty of Lucerne to indulging in the culinary treasures of France, this tour promises an enchanting exploration of culture and gastronomy. The vibrant colours of the tulips of Keukenhof await you and you'll discover the iconic canals of Amsterdam. Enjoy the chocolaty delights of Bruges and experience the medieval charm of Ghent. From exploring vibrant local markets and the timeless allure of Paris, let the wonders of Europe unfold as you embark on this adventure of a lifetime with Leef Jou Reis!





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Highlights

Lucerne: Stroll across the historic Chapel Bridge and savour Swiss cuisine.

Mount Titlis Glacier: Take in breathtaking views, traverse Europe's highest suspension bridge and ascend via the Rotair cable car.

Dijon: Browse fresh produce at Les Halles market and learn about Dijon's famous mustard heritage at Maille's boutique.

Paris: Discover landmarks like the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame Cathedral and Louvre Museum. Explore the charming streets of Montmartre and enjoy an optional outing to the Moulin Rouge.

Bruges: Explore the delightful offerings of The Chocolate Line, famous for its inventive chocolate flavours and meticulous craftsmanship. Sample traditional cuisine at a brasserie and soak up the romantic ambience on a canal cruise and horse and carriage ride.

Ghent: Marvel at the Ghent Altarpiece at St Bavo's Cathedral.

Keukenhof Garden: Experience the beauty of over a million tulips in bloom.

Amsterdam: Explore Amsterdam's picturesque canals and enjoy a walking tour of central Amsterdam.



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DAY 1: 14 April 2026

Johannesburg

Today is the day we have all been looking forward to! Meet the Leef Jou Reis team at OR Tambo International Airport, from where we will depart on our long-awaited tour!

(All meals included on board)

DAY 2: 15 April 2026

Lucerne

Willkommen in der Schweiz! Prepare to capture the beauty of Switzerland through your camera lens as we travel to our first stop – the picture perfect town of Lucerne. This afternoon simply relax or spend the afternoon exploring the streets of Lucerne, where Medieval buildings rub shoulders with modern shops. Do not miss the Chapel Bridge and perhaps pay a visit to the Lion Monument.

Tonight we will indulge in a lavish group dinner featuring a cozy Swiss favourite, fondue: dipping rustic country bread into a delicious blend of Swiss cheeses, infused with wine and garlic. Do not forget to chase it with a shot of schnapps for the full Swiss experience!

Overnight: Lucerne (Breakfast, Dinner)

DAY 3: 16 April 2026

Titlis Glacier

Today we embark on an epic adventure from Lucerne to the stunning Titlis Glacier! Experience the thrill of walking along Europe's highest suspension bridge, the Cliff Walk and explore the fascinating Ice Cave carved into the glacier. Along the way, indulge in some snow fun at Trubsee station or enjoy panoramic views from the Ice Flyer Chair Lift. Tonight, make sure you try out traditional dishes like Rösti and Chügelpastete as you dine with a view of the water.

Overnight: Lucerne (Breakfast)



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DAY 4: 17 April 2026

Dijon - Paris

France beckons! We travel to Dijon, Burgundy’s capital for free time and a lunch stop. Leaving Dijon’s charm behind, we head for Paris, settling into the vibrant Montmartre neighbourhood. Perched atop a hill, Montmartre brims with creativity and history, boasting lively cafes, street art and the sounds of accordion music. Get lost in the atmosphere as you explore its charming streets and climb the steps to Sacré-Coeur Basilica, known for its pristine white façade. Take in the panoramic views of the City of Light as the sun sets.

Overnight: Paris (Breakfast)

DAY 5: 18 April 2026

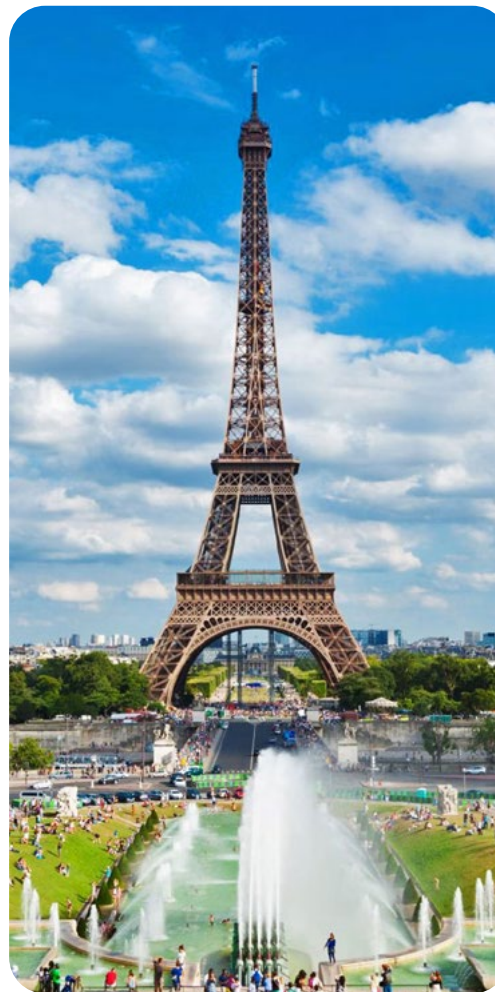
Paris

After a leisurely breakfast of flaky croissants, a Parisienne adventure awaits! Board a Hop-on-Hop-off bus tour to continue exploring the city’s iconic landmarks like the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame Cathedral and Louvre Museum. For lunch, visit a boulangerie and grab a jambon-beurre (baguette with ham) for a petit Parisian picnic on Champ de Mars beneath the iconic Eiffel Tower. The bus travels down the grand boulevards to the iconic Champs-Élysées, known for its elegant shops, bustling cafes, and historic landmarks. Do not miss the Luxembourg Gardens nearby, an oasis of greenery in the heart of Paris.

Tonight, indulge in a leisurely dinner at a charming bistro or dine al fresco at a quaint sidewalk café, soaking in the romantic ambiance.

Alternatively, for a touch of glamour, consider joining an optional outing to the iconic Moulin Rouge, the world-famous cabaret show.

Overnight: Paris (Breakfast)





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DAY 6: 19 April 2026

Paris - Bruges

We bid adieu to Paris as we depart for the breathtaking city of Bruges. After stowing our luggage at our hotel, we will indulge our senses at The Chocolate Line, famous for the interesting chocolate flavours they produce. As you explore the shop, your senses will be enticed by the wide array of chocolate creations, from pralines to truffles, each meticulously crafted with passion and precision.

This evening we will meet at a traditional Belgian brasserie for dinner to sample the local cuisine... washed down with a Belgian beer!

Overnight: Bruges (Breakfast, Dinner)

DAY 7: 20 April 2026

Bruges

Take the opportunity to explore the historic streets of Bruges and appreciate the city's medieval charm, picturesque canals and historic architecture. We will experience the sights of Bruges on a boat tour of the canals. After the cruise, there is a romantic horse and carriage ride through the winding cobblestone roads and majestic squares of the city... accompanied all the while by the relaxed rhythm of horses' hooves! The evening is yours to spend at leisure. Perhaps take a peaceful evening stroll through the beautiful, illuminated streets of Bruges.

Overnight: Bruges (Breakfast)





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DAY 8: 21 April 2026

Ghent

We embark on a journey towards the captivating city of Ghent. Ghent is one of the most beautifully preserved medieval towns in Europe and often dubbed the ‘Manhattan of the Middle Ages,’ as during that time, the population was the largest in Europe north of the Alps, after Paris. We will visit St Bavo’s Cathedral, where your Leef Jou Reis guide will introduce you to Van Eyck’s Altarpiece. We will enjoy a beer together at Dulle Griet, a legendary beer bar nestled in the heart of Ghent. As you sip on your chosen brew, surrounded by the lively buzz of conversation and clinking glasses, you will understand why Dulle Griet has become a beloved institution in Ghent. Late in the afternoon we will head back to Brugge for our final night in Belgium.

Overnight Brugge (Breakfast)

DAY 9: 22 April 2026

Tulips and Amsterdam

We will experience another highlight of our tour as we head towards the Netherlands and an unforgettable visit to Keukenhof Gardens to explore one of the largest flower gardens in the world! The gardens stretch over 32 hectares and are filled with millions of tulips and other spring flowers. Have your camera ready to take beautiful photos in these breathtaking gardens. Definitely one for the bucket list! After our visit to the gardens, we make our way to Amsterdam, our home for the next 2 nights.

Overnight: Amsterdam (Breakfast)



DAY 10: 23 April 2026

Amsterdam

After breakfast, we explore this beautiful city. Admire the elegant merchant houses from the 16th and 17th centuries, their facades reflect the Golden Age of Amsterdam, when trade flourished. Next, your Leef Jou Reis guide will introduce you to the once smallest restaurant in the world, known for their famous Dutch pancakes. This will be followed by a walking tour of central Amsterdam. We will admire the New Church and stroll along the canals and Dam Square, where the Royal Palace is located. We will pass the floating flower market and then enjoy a drink at a typical Dutch “Brown Café.”



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Tonight, we mingle with the locals as we enjoy a delicious meal at the famous De Waag Restaurant while soaking in the atmosphere of beautiful Amsterdam..... And then some of you might even want to go for a walk through the naughty Red-Light District known as De Wallen.

Overnight Amsterdam (Breakfast, Dinner)

DAY 11: 24 April 2026

Amsterdam

Our last day starts with some time at leisure, exploring the vibrant neighbourhoods on foot, wandering through the narrow streets of the Jordaan district or immersing yourself in the lively atmosphere of the De Pijp area. Alternatively, join an optional visit to the Rijksmuseum situated in the beautiful Museumplein. The Rijksmuseum is one of the most renowned museums in the world, housing an extensive collection of masterpieces from the Dutch Golden Age. We will then be transferred to Schiphol airport for some last-minute shopping at duty-free.

(Breakfast and all meals onboard)

DAY 12: 25 April 2026

Arrival in Johannesburg

Time to say farewell to our new friends- having shared unique experiences and created wonderful memories together with Leef Jou Reis. You are now part of our travel family!



Package Include

- Hotel accommodation (bed & breakfast)
- Airport transfers (only applies to travellers using our group flights)
- Air-conditioned luxury bus throughout
- Three Dinners
- Entrance to Mount Titlis and Rotair cable car
- Hop-on, Hop-Off Bus Tour in Paris
- Canal cruise and Horse & Carriage in Bruges
- Visit to The Chocolate Line in Bruges
- Entrance to St. Bavo's Cathedral in Ghent
- Entrance to Keukenhof Gardens
- Walking tour in Amsterdam
- All gratuities and tips
- “Leef Jou Reis” tour leader on hand to assist at all times



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Package Exclude

- Airfare from Johannesburg to Zurich / returning from Amsterdam
- Domestic flights in South Africa
- Visa (Schengen) applications
- Lunches and Dinners (unless otherwise specified)
- Drinks (unless otherwise specified)
- Personal expenses
- Optional excursions

Things to Bear in Mind

- Bookings are on a first come first served basis and your deposit is what secures your place on this tour.
- A visa (Schengen Visa) is compulsory and at your own cost. We will however assist you with all the relevant documentation for the process.
- You require a passport that is valid for 6 months after return (i.e. 25 October 2026) with two clean pages available.
- A Leef Jou Reis team member will be available throughout the tour to assist with questions and information.
- Optional Extras are available and the Leef Jou Reis team can assist with this. Each tour member, however, is free to come and go freely.

- You are in good hands, so sit back, relax and enjoy the trip without worries. You can also set your own pace. At Leef Jou Reis we love to walk, but there are alternative options available and sometimes we spontaneously change the route and hire a taxi or shuttle.
- To fully enjoy the sights and attractions on this tour, you should be fit and able to comfortably walk about 5 kilometres throughout the day.
- Come with an open mind and be ready to broaden your horizons and make new friends.
- We start a Whatsapp group a week before we leave in which we communicate all important information. Please make sure that you supply your correct cell numbers when you complete your reservation form. This group will also be used to share photos and videos amongst each other during the trip.
- Please note that we reserve the right to amend the program should the need arise so that we can give you an even better chance to experience the trip of a lifetime.
- The program includes Bed and Breakfast and several dinners and excursions as indicated.





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What Next...?

Follow the steps below to confirm your booking:

STEP 1

If you want to join us on this exciting tour, send your e-mail address and mobile number to leefjoureis@twf.co.za. We will then send the booking form that you must complete and return, together with a copy of your ID/passport and proof of payment of the deposit.

STEP 2

This itinerary is fairly complete and should contain all the information you might need. We will set up a WhatsApp group closer to the time for further communication; therefore, please make sure that the mobile number you have provided is correct. If you have any questions, feel free to send an e-mail or WhatsApp 082 923 3626.

STEP 3

In the meantime, start looking forward to this amazing experience!

Deposit

- To secure your place on this tour we require a non-refundable deposit of R15 000. Please note that we are obliged to pay the deposit and administration fee over to our operators so please familiarize yourselves with the terms and conditions contained on the website.
- The second payment of R15 000 is required by 01 October 2025. Your next payment of R15 000 is to be made by 15 December 2025 and the total outstanding by 01 February 2026.
- The rate of exchange used on the final invoice is €1 = R22 to accommodate and cover exchange rate changes and also the cost of payments on the dates completed to suppliers outside of South Africa.
- These prices are based on EFT payments. The cost for Credit Card payments can be advised to you on application. Cash deposit fees must be borne by the payer.

Banking Details & Pricing

Account Name	:	LeefJouReis TWF
Bank	:	Standard Bank
Branch Code	:	051001
Account Number	:	012324523

Deposit reference number: TULIPS26 + NAME & SURNAME

Please make sure you use the right reference number and that you send proof of payment to us on email: leefjoureis@twf.co.za

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