Vibrant, ever-changing, fabulously wealthy, desperately poor, vast, multi-faceted Johannesburg flings contrasts at you from every angle. Trees line streets where houses hide their manicured gardens and pristine blue swimming pools behind high white walls, miles of shacks tell of the effects of the apartheid years – still to be overcome. The air of Africa’s most dynamic city vibrates with music and buzzes with business while its stylish restaurants, elegant shops, art galleries and theatres delight the international visitor.

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Cosmopolitan Johannesburg (also known as Jo’burg or Jozi) sprawls for miles, sprouting upper-income suburbs like satellite towns – one of them, sophisticated Sandton, is the business and economic capital of South Africa. Soweto, home to most of Johannesburg’s black population, lies to the southwest, a 20 square km conglomeration of townships with homes that range from millionaire mansions and neat middle-income housing to the tin shacks of squatter camps.

The city built on gold has seen its landmark yellow mine dumps recycled and replaced by skyrise buildings and glitzy shopping malls, and its recent apartheid history remembered in superb new museums. Soaring chrome and glass buildings, housing opulent international hotels and corporate giants, pepper the leafy streets of a string of exclusive northern suburbs – among them, rich Rosebank, elite Sandhurst, bohemian Melrose Village and foody Greenside. Across a canopy of green, the horizon is spiked by the outline of downtown Johannesburg, slowly stirring from its no-go dilapidation. Six-lane highways and swirling freeways indicate the importance of the car.

The Johannesburg Apartheid Museum details the events of the 20th century, a notoriously dark time in South African history when a system of racial segregation and oppression was in place in the country. A visit to the museum helps shed light on the past, as well as the state of the nation’s society today.

Photo: zhu difeng/Shutterstock.com
Address: Northern Park Way & Gold Reef Road, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Daily 9am-5pm
Phone: +27 11 309 4700
Internet: www.apartheidmuseum.org
Joziburg Lane

Joziburg Lane, the hip space in the ground floor of One Eloff building, is a modern development and cool hangout space frequented by Joburg residents. Filled with art galleries, eateries, coffee shops and bars, it's a great place to be any time of day. JoburgPlaces walking tours start from here Tuesday through Saturday at 9am.

Photo: Jack Frog/Shutterstock.com
Address: 1 Eloff St, Salisbury Claims, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Tue-Thurs 8.30am-5pm, Fri 8.30am-10pm, Sat 10am-6pm
Phone: +27 64 700 1637
Internet: www.hangoutjozi.co.za

Liliesleaf

Once the hidden seat of the African National Congress (the South African social democratic party which has been in power post-apartheid), the building has now been transformed into a high-tech, interactive museum dedicated to the nation’s struggle with racial equality.

Photo: Ditty_about_summer/Shutterstock.com
Address: 7 George Ave, Rivonia, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8.30am-5pm, Sat & Sun 9am-4pm
Phone: +27 11 803 7882
Internet: www.liliesleaf.co.za

Old Fort and Constitution Hill

The site of an infamous prison reborn as the superb Constitutional Court, art gallery and museum. The history of Constitution Hill dates back to 1892; a prison turned military defence post during the South African War. These buildings were known as "the Fort", and have through the years incarcerated the likes of Mahatma Gandhi. In 1964 the Fort was declared a National Monument, and in the late 90’s it was chosen the new Constitutional Court.

Photo: Erin Cadigan/Shutterstock.com
Address: 11 Kotze Road, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Daily 9am-5pm
Phone: +27 11 381 3100
Internet: www.constitutionhill.org.za
Email: info@constitutionhill.org.za

Museum Africa

From rock art to the struggle against apartheid, Africa’s history is well presented at Museum Africa, taking visitors on a journey through the creation of the first civilizations and places like Kemet (Egypt), Punt (Somalia), Kush (Sudan) and Nubia (southern Egypt).

Photo: Monkey Business Images/Shutterstock.com
Address: 121 Bree Street, Johannesburg
Phone: +27 11 833 5624

Soweto

A guided tour of the township is a must. Major sights include Vilakasi Street, where the Mandelas once lived (their little house is a museum); Arch bishop Tutu's home; the Hector Pieterson Museum, dedicated to the 1976 student uprisings, and Regina Mundi church, which also bears its resistance scars. Eat at Sakhumzi’s, the Italian-style Nambitha, or trendy Wandi’s Place. An overnight stay in one of the
excellent B&Bs could prove the highlight of your trip.

Photo: esfera/Shutterstock.com
Address: 124 Main Street, Johannesburg
Phone: +27 11 085 2500
Internet: www.gauteng.net
Email: info@gauteng.net

**Gold Reef City**

Gold Reef City is a theme park with a casino, rides and a giant roller coaster, all on a former gold mine. Museums and craft shops are housed in replica buildings of the 1890 gold rush days, tours go deep into the tunnels around the Number 14 shaft. See traditional miners’ gumboot dancing in the theatre.

Photo: Bruna Falvo Fugulin/Shutterstock.com
Address: Cnr Northern Parkway & Data Crescent, Ormonde, Johannesburg
Phone: +27 11 248 6800
Internet: www.goldreefcity.co.za

**Origins Centre**

This enlightening museum centre tells the story of early humans settling South Africa. Here you will find interesting exhibitions about various historic events, as well as various artefacts dating back to prehistoric times. Audio guides are available.

Photo: Iakov Filimonov/Shutterstock.com
Address: Cnr Yale & Enoch Sontonga, Johannesburg
Phone: +27 11 717 4700
Internet: www.wits.ac.za/origins
More Info: Wits University

**Bush Babies Monkey Sanctuary**

Bush Babies Monkey Sanctuary is a lovely place which provides shelter for animals that have been abandoned or abused. Come here and watch them going about their daily lives in a natural environment. Another on-site attraction is an elephant sanctuary.

Photo: VarnaK/Shutterstock.com
Address: R104, Hartbeespoort, Johannesburg
Phone: +27 12 258 9908
Internet: www.monkeysanctuary.co.za
Email: info@monkeysanctuary.co.za

**FNB Stadium**

The stadium plays host to both sporting and cultural events, such as different concerts. Whichever one brings you here, you will not get disappointed in this incredible venue. Have a look at their webpage for more information on what is on while you are visiting.

Photo: TuiPhotoEngineer/Shutterstock.com
Address: Nasrec, Johannesburg
Phone: +27 11 247 5300
Internet: www.stadiummanagement.co.za
Email: enquiries@stadiummanagement.co.za

**Sci-Bono Discovery Centre**

Sci-Bono Discovery Centre is a fun-filled centre for both adults and children. Have a look at the many cool exhibitions on display or see a science show while you are here. Either way, you cannot go wrong visiting this place; it is an
attractive experience to visitors of all ages.

Photo: Maria Golovianko/Shutterstock.com
Address: Corner of Miriam Makeba & President Street, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am–5pm, Sat & Sun 9.30am–4.30pm
Phone: +27 11 639 8400
Internet: www.sci-bono.co.za
Email: info@sci-bono.co.za

Botanical Gardens and Emmarentia Dam

Get away from the bustling city and take a relaxing walk in the lush, tranquil environment of the Johannesburg Botanical Gardens. Enjoy different areas in the gardens or feed the ducks by the Emmarentia Dam nearby. Located north of the city centre.

Photo: Dominique de La Croix/Shutterstock.com
Address: Waterval 211-Iq, Randburg, Johannesburg
Phone: +27 11 782 7064

Johannesburg Zoo

This is one of the most popular attractions in Johannesburg for both locals and tourists. The zoo has over 320 species of animals; amongst these you will find the endangered White Rhino and the Wattled Crane. Enjoy a cooling drink while watching the chimpanzees from the cafe.

Photo: Patrick Rolands/Shutterstock.com
Address: Jan Smuts Avenue, Parkview, Johannesburg
Phone: +27 11 646 2000
Internet: www.jhbzoo.org.za

Wondercave

Wondercave is the third biggest cave in South Africa. After taking the 90 steps below ground level, you transfer onto an elevator to be lowered another 60 meters underground. See many fossils, rhinestone pools, cave pearls and much more. This is an amazing sight.

Photo: Nadezda Murmakova/Shutterstock.com
Address: 520 Kromdraai Road, Kromdraai, Krugersdorp
Phone: +27 11 957 0106

SAB World of Beer

Get the tour and beer tasting package and explore the fascinating world of beer. The tour will walk you through the beer brewing process, as well as allow for extensive sampling - in a stylized African village setting and a traditional Victorian-era pub.

Photo: Leszek Czerwonka/Shutterstock.com
Address: 15 President Street, Newtown, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Daily 10am-6pm
Phone: +27 11 836 4900
Internet: www.worldofbeer.co.za
More Info: Last tour 5pm, Sun & Mon 4pm. Last tasting 3pm.
In this cosmopolitan city of myriad cuisines you’ll find traditional Greek, Italian, Portuguese, Indian and Chinese through to authentic Thai and Argentinean. South Africans are great meat eaters, so steak houses flourish. Greenside is packed with smart restaurants, but all the northern suburbs have their stars. Melville, Parktown North, Melrose Arch and trendy Parkhurst are particularly good locations.

Great Eastern Food Bar

The rooftop of trendy Bamboo Centre is given over to Great Eastern Food Bar - a Joburg establishment that takes its Asian fare very seriously. The menu selection and dish quality never ceases to impress, and has earned the restaurant incredible popularity, which makes reservations a must.

Lucky Bean

The dimly-lit Lucky Bean (not to be mistaken for a coffee house) is somewhat of a local institution; an atmospheric local restaurant and bar serving excellent South African cuisine - steaks, stews, and several vegetarian options. Features live DJ sets.

Carnivore

Ravenous meat eaters sit around a big open fire and tuck into wild game - eland, zebra, springbok, kudu and crocodile - carved off Masai spears.

The Carnivore in Johannesburg is a franchise of the equally famous counter part in Nairobi, and it has received awards such as Best Restaurant to Take Tourists To and Best Traditional Restaurant.

Even if you’re not a carnivore, you can still come here and dine on fish and veggie dishes, and have your dinner accompanied by fine wine.

Destination: Johannesburg

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**Moyo Melrose Arch**

"Moyo is the realisation of one man's passion for all things African - from art and design to music, cuisine and crafts." Moyo was started here in Johannesburg, and today there are no less than seven establishments under that very name. All of them serve urban African cuisine in a soulful environment.

Photo: Eva Gruendemann/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 5 Melrose Square, Melrose Arch, Melrose, Johannesburg  
Phone: +27 11 684 1477  
Internet: www.moyo.co.za  
Email: melrosearch@moyo.com

**The Butcher Shop & Grill**

The Butcher Shop & Grill boasts some of the best steaks in town - game, ostrich, pork, lamb and beef. The atmosphere is laid back and inviting and booking is absolutely essential if you want a table. It is a great place to indulge in South Africa's favourite grills.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Cor Oxford Road & Bierman Avenue, Rosebank, Johannesburg  
Phone: +27 11 880 3945  
Internet: www.thegrillhouse.co.za  
Email: rosebank@thegrillhouse.co.za

**Nelson Mandela once had his original home.**

Located west of the city centre, in the Gauteng township of Soweto.

Photo: mezzotint/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 6980 Vilakazi Street, Soweto, Johannesburg  
Phone: +27 11 536 1379  
Internet: www.sakhumzi.co.za  
Email: dine@sakhumzi.co.za

**The Grillhouse**

Despite its straightforward name, The Grillhouse's menu caters to both meat- and plant-based eaters. Their specialty is, of course, steaks and ribs, but they also have vegetarian options, as well as chicken and seafood. The meat is prepared to perfection - you simply cannot go wrong dining here.

Photo: Fanfo/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Cor Oxford Road & Bierman Avenue, Rosebank, Johannesburg  
Phone: +27 11 880 3945  
Internet: www.thegrillhouse.co.za  
Email: rosebank@thegrillhouse.co.za

**Sakhumzi Restaurant**

Sakhumzi Restaurant offers traditional African food served to trestle tables on the grass. The restaurant is located in a historic area, where Nelson Mandela once had his original home. Located west of the city centre, in the Gauteng township of Soweto.

Photo: mezzotint/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 6980 Vilakazi Street, Soweto, Johannesburg  
Phone: +27 11 536 1379  
Internet: www.sakhumzi.co.za  
Email: dine@sakhumzi.co.za

**Licorish**

Licorish is a place where you can come for either breakfast, lunch or dinner. The contemporary, red-leather dominated design of the restaurant's interior and the excellent fusion cuisine served will, beyond doubt, leave no diner dissatisfied. Offers an extensive wine list.

Photo: Kris Wiktor/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 432 Nicolway Bryanston, Johannesburg  
Phone: +27 11 706 0991
At Tasha's you almost always have to wait for a table, which is a tell-tale sign of an excellent local eatery. This is a perfect place to go to for brunch - they have a varied contemporary menu, and the list of desserts and pastries is extensive to match the main menu.

Photo: Michele Joanne Schoeman/Shutterstock.com
Address: Oxford Road, Rosebank, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 7am - 6pm, Sun 7.30am-4pm
Phone: +27 11 447 7972
Internet: www.tashas.co.za
Email: rosebank@tashascafe.com
More Info: Shop g28

Ristorante La Trinita is a cosy Italian restaurant with beautiful decor and good service. On the menu you will find hand-made pasta, risotto and delicious salads, as well as regularly updated weekly specials. Live music performances are hosted frequently.

Photo: qanatstudio/Shutterstock.com
Address: Kyalami Boulevard & Main Rd, Kyalami Park, Midrand
Opening hours: Thurs-Sat 12pm - 10pm, Sun 12pm-3pm
Phone: +27 11 838 9755
Internet: www.cityperkcafe.co.za

The uber-popular City Perk Cafe is a great choice for both a filling breakfast and a casual lunch. Choose from gourmet sandwiches, tramezzinis (Turkish thin pita bread sandwiches), wraps, salads, and more substantial options such as meat and seafood grills.

Photo: Alex Couto/Shutterstock.com
Address: 70 Fox Street, Marshalltown, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 6.30am-4.30pm
Phone: +27 11 838 9755
Internet: www.cityperkcafe.co.za

For breakfast in the Maboneng area, try Eat Your Heart Out - an eatery that serves superb Jewish-inspired foods. Enjoy a full breakfast.
with omelette, pita bread and cottage cheese, or go for one of the delightful desserts - cakes and sweets - made fresh daily.

Photo: Liliya Kandrashevich/Shutterstock.com
Address: Fox Street & Kruger Street, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Tue-Sun 7.30am-4pm
Phone: +27 72 586 0600
Internet: www.eatyourheartout.co.za
More Info: Maboneng Precinct

Fresh Earth
A rare find on the Johannesburg dining scene, Fresh Earth is an establishment specializing in organic, plant-based cooking. The quality and taste is guaranteed to please even those of a carnivorous persuasion. There is an adjacent on-site shop selling organic (vegan and vegetarian) foods and treats.

Photo: Kelsey Hamaguchi/Shutterstock.com
Address: 103 Komatie Street, Emmarentia, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-6pm, Sat 8am-4pm
Phone: +27 11 646 4404
Internet: www.freshearth.co.za

Whippet Coffee
Whippet Coffee takes on an innovative approach to cooking, fearlessly experimenting with flavours, ingredients and textures. Come here for a change of breakfast routine and try one of their creations paired with an above-par coffee. There is an on-site shop.

Photo: Alexey Lysenko/Shutterstock.com
Address: 34 7th Street, Linden, Randburg
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 6.30am-4pm, Sat 7am-3pm
Phone: +27 11 782 7310

Internet: www.thewhippetcoffee.com

Nice on 4th
The Nice brunch essential is its signature "toast basket" - toast bread filled with eggs, bacon, and tomato relish (or go for the gusto with a smoked salmon basket; vegetarian options available). Meals are accompanied by great coffees and even better books from the on-site Nice Bookshop.

Photo: Olga Nayashkova/Shutterstock.com
Address: 37 4th Ave, Parkhurst, Sandton
Opening hours: Tue-Sun 7.30am-4pm
Phone: +27 11 788 6286
Internet: www.niceon4th.co.za

Lattélicious
Lattélicious might not be for you if you're looking for a quick caffeine fix on the go: they take their coffee very seriously, and customers are encouraged to adapt an attitude to match. The atmosphere is inviting and the venue is small and charming.

Photo: All kinds of good/Shutterstock.com
Address: Smith Road, Bedfordview, Johannesburg
Phone: +27 11 784 3330
Internet: www.lattelicious.co.za
More Info: Beford Centre Corner of Smith Road and Van de Linde Road.
**Tortellino d'Oro**

This deli is a great place for Italian classics and specialties such as Parma ham, salami, antipasti, home made pasta and of course, delicious Italian ice cream. You can choose from hazelnut, amaretto, pistachio and Stracciatella flavours (among others).

Photo: Luboslav Tiles/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 8 Kruger Street, Johannesburg  
Phone: +27 11 483 1249  
Internet: www.tortellino.co.za  
More Info: Oaklands Shopping Centre C/o Pretoria Str & Victoria Rd Oaklands

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**Mad Giant**

Mad Giant specializes in local craft beers and shares a space with Urbanlogi, a stylish Asian fusion restaurant that serves bite-size Asian fusion foods along with beer pairing classics such as burgers and fries. The outdoor terrace boasts a buzzing atmosphere.

Photo: Monkey Business Images/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 1 Fox Street, Ferreiras Dorp, Johannesburg  
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 12pm-10pm, Sun 12pm-6pm  
Phone: +27 11 492 0901  
Internet: www.madgiant.co.za

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**BARS & NIGHTLIFE**

Jozi boasts a very lively nightlife. From the sleek bars of top-notch hotels to shebeens (informal drinking places, usually in someone’s front room) in Soweto, whatever you’re looking for, you’ll find it in Jozi. Melville’s Seventh Street is popular with night owls, while Rosebank, Rivonia, Norwood and Orange Grove attract the more affluent party crowd. Soweto has crowded bars and live jazz, but it is only advisable to go there on an organised tour.

Photo: Kondor83/Shutterstock.com

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**Lenin’s Vodka Bar**

The revolutionary Lenin’s Vodka Bar serves just what one would expect from an establishment bearing such a name - vodka, and plenty of it. If vodka isn’t exactly your drink of choice, you’ll still enjoy the themed interior and drinks containing other spirits.

Photo: maggee/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 300 Commissioner Street, Maboneng, Johannesburg  
Phone: +27 82 821 2863  
Internet: www.lenins.co.za

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**Good Luck Bar**

The longstanding Good Luck Bar (originally an old warehouse for transport vehicles) has gone through quite a few transformations over the years, the latest one resulting in the establishment becoming a live music bar with a crowd in the know coming in for drinks and
grungy vibes.

Photo: Kzenon/Shutterstock.com
Address: Main Street & Alexander Street, Ferreirasdorp, Johannesburg
Phone: +27 84 683 4413
Internet: www.thegoodluckbar.com

**Living Room**

Wood furniture and an abundance of greenery distinguish this rooftop terrace, one of Joburg’s favourite haunts. Live music and stand up comedy events are hosted here, and the vibe is eco-friendly and relaxed. Serves bar foods and along with cocktails and beer.

Photo: g-stockstudio/Shutterstock.com
Address: 20 Kruger Street, City and Suburban, Johannesburg
Phone: +27 84 529 9006
Internet: www.livingroomjozi.co.za

**Carfax**

The longstanding live music and events venue managed by a tightly knit team of enthusiasts still attracts crowds at times when local and international artists perform on its stage. Check the schedule to see if any headliners catch your eye. Playse house and hip-hop.

Photo: melis/Shutterstock.com
Address: 39 Gwigwi Mrwebi Street, Newtown, Johannesburg
Phone: +27 11 834 9187
Internet: www.carfax.co.za

**Stanley Beer Yard**

One of the best places in town for South African craft beer, Stanley Beer Yard hosts live music shows every Saturday, and offers seating in its stylish interior or outside, in the airy garden space. Serves snacks and bar food to go along with the drinks.

Photo: William Perugini/Shutterstock.com
Address: 44 Stanley Ave, Braamfontein Werf, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Tue-Sat 10am-10pm, Sun 10am-6pm
Phone: +27 11 482 5791

**Hell's Kitchen**

Hidden in plain sight, this 1920s New York speakeasy-style restaurant and bar serves up delectable burgers, pizza, tacos, and other foods, all accompanied by a refreshing pint of beer or other drinks of your choice. The rock’n’roll attitude is almost tangible.

Photo: Joshua Resnick/Shutterstock.com
Address: 4 7th Street, Melville, Johannesburg
Phone: +27 79 980 9591

**Beach Blanket Bohemia**

Beach Blanket Bohemia is a bar and restaurant with a Mediterranean menu of dishes served at a sun-filled terrace. The lounge area makes for a relaxing evening with live music or a skilled DJ playing in the background. Located at the Sunninghill Village Shopping Centre.

Photo: bikeriderlondon/Shutterstock.com
Address: Maxwell Drive, Sunninghill, Johannesburg
Phone: +27 11 234 2714
Internet: www.beachblanketbohemia.co.za
Email: rjdrosario@gmail.com
More Info: Corner Maxwell Drive and Edison Street.

Montecasino
This is a replica of a Tuscan village with restaurants, theatres, bars, clubs and a casino. Montecasino has been given many awards including Best Casino, Best place to take out-of-towners and Best Entertainment Complex. Located north of the city centre.

Photo: Sebastian Duda/Shutterstock.com
Address: 1 Monte Casino Blvd, Fourways, Johannesburg
Phone: +27 11 510 7000
Internet: www.montecasino.co.za

Radium Beer Hall
Radium Beer Hall is one of the city’s oldest pubs, noisy and full of character. The locale’s history makes itself known through the striking memorabilia adorning the walls. They serve authentic food, a myriad of beers and have live jazz fill the air.

Photo: BlueSkyImage/Shutterstock.com
Address: 282 Louis Botha Avenue, Orange Grove, Johannesburg
Phone: +27 11 728 3866
Internet: www.theradium.co.za
Email: manny@theradium.co.za

SHOPPING

From upmarket malls to street markets, via designer fashion, crafts, curios and lovely things for the home, Johannesburg is a paradise for shoppers. Mall culture distinguishes this city of dedicated shoppers. Sandton City and its adjacent Nelson Mandela Square is one of the largest shopping centres in the southern hemisphere. The packed African Crafts Market lies next to the stylish Mall of Rosebank, which takes on new vibes on Sundays and public holidays when the lively Rooftop Market is in full swing.

Norwood’s Grant Avenue is good for antiques and Parkhurst’s Fourth Avenue for collectables and interior design. Go to The African Toyshop on Stanley Avenue, Milpark, for toys as works of art Art Africa on Tyrone Avenue in Parkview for a dazzling array of ethnic arts and crafts and Kim Sacks Gallery in Parkwood for excellent tribal African art.

Keep all the receipts of your shop purchases, as visitors can reclaim the tax paid on departure at the airport.
**Neighbourgoods Market**

If you happen to be in town on a Saturday, do step by the hip community market occupying two floors of an old warehouse. The market is fit for dining just as much as (if not more than) shopping - local creators showcase and sell their culinary inventions, with a few clothing stands thrown into the mix. Brunch is best had on the second-floor terrace.

Photo: Chubykin Arkady/Shutterstock.com
Address: 73 Juta Street, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Say 9am-3pm
Phone: +27 81 416 2605
Internet: www.neighbourgoodsmarket.co.za

**Sheds @ 1Fox**

The re-invented social space of 1Fox features multiple draws (such as the wildly popular Mad Giant brewery and adjacent eateries), not least of which being the trendy arts and crafts market taking place at the Market Shed every Friday through Sunday.

Photo: Elena Dijour/Shutterstock.com
Address: 264 Fox Street, City and Suburban, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Fri 12am-5pm, Sat-Sun 10am-4pm
Phone: +27 83 277 7272
Internet: www.1fox.co.za

**44 Stanley**

44 Stanley might just be one of the most unusual shopping malls you’ve yet encountered - occupying a re-developed old building, the mall is made up of multiple almost irritatingly stylish shops and boutiques, with hip cafes inviting shoppers to a quaint break in the shaded courtyards.

Photo: Diego Cervo/Shutterstock.com
Address: 44 Stanley Ave, Braamfontein Werf, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Daily 8am-6pm
Phone: +27 11 482 4444
Internet: www.44stanley.co.za

**Market on Main**

The Sunday Market on Main epitomizes what Joburg does best - urban redevelopment and gathering local talent under one roof. Held inside Arts on Main, the market heavily leans onto deli and culinary delights, but also features design and fashion outlets.

Photo: Phovoir/Shutterstock.com
Address: 264 Fox Street, City and Suburban, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Sun 10am-3pm
Phone: +27 82 868 1335
Internet: www.marketonmain.co.za

**Nelson Mandela Square**

Located right next to another shopping destination (Sandton City Mall), Nelson Mandela Square has a buzzing, restaurant-filled plaza as its centrepiece. There is plenty of retail therapy to be had, and the Nelson Mandela statue out front is an added-bonus local attraction.

Photo: Ollyy/Shutterstock.com
Address: 5th Street, Sandown, Sandton
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-10pm, Sun 9am-6pm
Phone: +27 11 217 6000
Internet: www.nelsonmandelasquare.co.za
Rosebank Mall

For the greatest retail variety, head to the Rosebank Mall complex. Apart from the shops and boutiques operating during regular hours, the area plays host to the Rosebank Sunday Market and Rosebank Art & Craft Market (the latter operates daily and specializes in African art).

Photo: Olesia Bilkei/Shutterstock.com
Address: 50 Bath Ave, Johannesburg
Phone: +27 11 788 5530
Internet: www.rosebankmall.co.za

Oriental Plaza

Johannesburg’s Oriental Plaza offers an assortment of goods different to what one would perhaps find in shopping centres elsewhere in town - most shops sell Indian and Arabic spices, garments, accessories, and several casual eateries function on-site as well.

Photo: Ekaterina Pokrovsky/Shutterstock.com
Address: 38 Lilian Ngoyi Street, Fordsburg, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-5pm, Sat 9am-3pm
Phone: +27 11 838 6752
Internet: www.orientalplaza.co.za

Michael Mount Organic Village Market

Held on Thursday and Saturday mornings, the Michael Mount Organic Village Market on Bryanston Drive, Sandton, sells only handcrafted goods and organically produced foods, and its tea garden is restful. Local musicians and bands play live in the background.

Photo: Goran Bogicevic/Shutterstock.com
Address: Culross Road, Off Main Road, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Every Thursday & Saturday 9am to 3pm
Phone: +27 11 706 3671
Internet: www.bryanstonorganicmarket.co.za
Email: enquiries@bryanstonorganicmarket.co.za

Xarra Books

To browse through literature dealing with all things Africa, as well as check out the art and music sections of this well-regarded local book cum music/art shop, head to the Johannesburg area of Midrand. There are readings and book launches every week.

Photo: Yulia Grigoryeva/Shutterstock.com
Address: 264 Turbit Avenue, Halfway House, Midrand
Phone: +27 11 312 7582
More Info: Extension 12

Eastgate Shopping Centre

This first-class shopping centre has been around since 1979, and remains a prime shopping venue in the area to-date. Once the largest shopping center in the southern hemisphere, it may have lost the flashy title, but still remains a great one-stop location for shopping, dining, and entertainment.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com
Address: 43 Bradford Road, Bedfordview, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Monday - Thursday 9am - 6pm, Friday 9am - 9pm
Phone: +27 11 479 6000
Internet: www.eastgatecentre.co.za
**ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

OR TAMBO International Airport is Africa’s busiest airport with 24-hour facilities. It lies 25km east of the city. The cheapest way to reach town is use the public transportation - buses and minibuses depart from just outside the international and domestic terminals. Please mind, however, that these may not be either convenient or easy to navigate for first-time visitors.

Another way to reach the city is by rail - the Gautrain system connects the airport to multiple suburbs (Sandon, Rosebank, Pretoria, Hatfield and Rhodesfield). Travel time between the airport and Sandton is 12 minutes.

Minibus shuttles and metered taxis can be booked in the baggage claim area. The hotels of Rosebank and Sandton are a 30-45 minute drive from the airport. Most hotels offer shuttle services (inquire with your hotel in advance).

Train service now runs between the suburbs of Sandton and Pretoria and the airport.

**Public transport**

While most locals use minibuses to get around the city, flagging one down and figuring out its final destination may prove daunting to first-time visitors.

Instead, make use of the public buses (Rea Vaya buses were introduced during the 2010 World Cup and remain in operation to-date; they are a relatively reliable means of transport).

A hop on-hop off Sightseeing Johannesburg bus may be the best bet for short-term visitors. They operate between 9am and 6pm, and stop at all major visitor attractions and multiple locations around the city.

Another convenient, safe way of getting around are the trains of the Gautrain system. They connect the stations of Sandton, Rosebank, Pretoria, Hatfield, Rhodesfield and the airport. There is a bus service run by Gautrain from some stations onward. Buy and top-up the Gold Card to use Gautrain.

**Taxi**

Metered taxis are the safest way to travel if you are not hiring a car, they are available at major hotels, otherwise you have to phone for pickup.

The fare should be confirmed with the driver at

Photo: Juan Garces
Address: O.R. Tambo International Airport
Phone: +27 11 921 6262
Internet: www.johannesburg-airport.com

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair
the outset (inquire with a local what an average fare for you drive distance would be).

One reliable taxi company is Rose Taxis:

Photo: Taxi
Phone: +27 11 403 0000
Internet: www.rosetaxis.com

Post

Post boxes are red in color. There are multiple post offices around the city. One location at:

Photo: Andy Fuchs
Address: 150 Commissioner St, Marshalltown, Johannesburg
Opening hours: Monday-Friday 9am-5pm, Saturday 8am-1pm
Phone: +27 11 331 1057
Internet: www.postoffice.co.za
More Info: Carlton Centre

Pharmacy

Pharmacies have a rota system for out-of-hours service. Most hospitals and clinics with an ER will also have a 24/7 pharmacy on-site.

Netcare Olivedale Hospital
Tel: +27 11 777 2000
Corner President Fouche & Windsor Way, Olivedale, Randburg

Netcare Linksfield Hospital
Tel: +27 11 647 3400
24 12th Avenue, Linksfield West

Photo: Gemma Garner

Electricity

220/240v, 50Hz. Round three-pin plugs are standard.

Photo: Stirling Tschan

Telephone

Country code: +27 Area code: 11

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Population
5 million

Currency
1 Rand = 100 cents

Opening hours
Mall shopping hours are generally 09.00-17.00/18.00 Monday to Saturday, and 09.00-14.00 on Sundays. Most museums and galleries are closed on Mondays.

Internet
www.southafrica.net
www.southafrica.info

Newspapers
The Star (Johannesburg’s oldest English-language daily newspaper, has a Tonight listings supplement.)
The weekly (Friday) Mail & Guardian has extensive What’s On listings.)
The Sowetan
City Press
Business Day

Emergency numbers
Jo’burg Connect
+27 11 375 5911 (Accidents, Fire, Medical, Crime)
10111 Police
10177 Ambulance

Tourist information
Gauteng Tourism Authority
1 Central Place, Henry Nxumalo Street, Newtown
09.00-17.00 Monday-Friday
+27 11 639 1600
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