WHITE LIONS JOURNEY 2013
SACRED BEINGS & SACRED SITES OF SOUTH AFRICA
JUNE 18 TO JUNE 28TH, 2013
DIRECT EXPERIENCE WITH SACRED BEINGS & SACRED SITES

These are times of very rapid global transition. While the material dimension of our lives becomes less reliable, spiritual development and guidance have become a matter of greater urgency. For many who choose to make this journey, our contribution to this global transition is to elevate our own vibration so that we can offer support and inspire others. The central purpose of this spiritual journey to South Africa is to reconnect with our essence on our visits to the magnificent White Lions Preserve, Elephant Sanctuary and Kruger National Park. We are being offered an incomparable opportunity to commune with some of the most sacred animal beings on the planet and to learn from Linda Tucker, a true master of sacred activism. This journey promises to redefine our lives and to greatly enrich them. It is quite simply, the trip of a lifetime.
White Lions Monitoring: Spirituality and Science

On our first full day in South Africa, we will fly from Johannesburg to the delightful safari-themed airport at Hoedspruit and drive to Linda Tucker’s nearby private Tsau! Preserve. In Zulu language of the local people, Tsau! means “the place where the star lions came down.” We’ll have lunch and get settled in our rondavel thatched hut rooms. In the afternoon we will have a welcome and introductions with Linda Tucker and her husband, lion scientist, Jason Turner before going out on our first early evening monitoring trip to see the white lions. The early evening is the time when these beautiful creatures are just waking up and sniffing the breezes to see what the night’s hunting may hold. We will travel in Land Rovers outfitted with telemetry equipment which will help us to locate the white lions in the bush. There are now nine lions on the preserve: Lead lioness Zihra and her magnificent mate Aslan, Zihra’s brothers Regeus and Letaba and their tawny golden mates Nyaleti and Khanyisa, and the three White Lion “teenagers:” brothers Matsieng and Zukhara and their sister Nebu, the whitest of the white.
During our stay at Tsau! White Lion Preserve, Linda will teach us the history of the White Lions as well as lead us in daily outings to track and commune with them. These outings vary between dawn and dusk to afford the best opportunity to see the lions as they return from hunting at dawn or as they arise in the evening. Known as “Keeper of the White Lions,” Linda Tucker studied indigenous shamanic techniques with two of the foremost spiritual teachers of South Africa, renowned Sangoma Credo Mutwa and Maria Khosa, Lion Queen of Timbavati. Linda combines this rich shamanic training with her training at Cambridge University in symbolism and mythology.

She will share with us shamanic techniques to receive and interpret messages from the lions in meditation and in dream time. Linda's husband, lion ecologist Jason Turner, will introduce us to White Lion genetics and his search for the genetic marker that makes the White Lions unique. Jason’s reintroduction project of the White Lions from private zoos to their traditional homelands in Timbavati, is the world’s first project of this kind.

On the second full day of our stay at Tsau! We will get up at dawn to welcome the 6 a.m. Summer Solstice with a Despacho Abundance Ceremony led by Linda Tucker and Harriet McMahon from the vantage point of the White Lions Tree House.

The Tree House affords a beautiful view of the Drakensburg Mountains and the open savannah where the White Lions roam free. On succeeding days, Journey leader Harriet McMahon, a shaman in the Peruvian tradition, will lead us in a workshop called “Remembering the Sacred Space of the Heart” through which we will open the heart chakra wide in order to deepen our connection to the white lions and receive their messages. Journey leader Kari Noren-Hoshal, an evolutionary astrologer, will lead a workshop called “Mayan Astrology and the Birthing of a New Age” in which we will learn about the synchronistic end of the Mayan Calendar and the beginning of the Age of Aquarius. We will receive our Mayan Astrological signs and gain a new perspective on how to further define our own paths to spiritual activism.
OUTSTANDING OUTINGS

In addition to observing the White Lions daily we will be taking daily outings within the preserve and in the surrounding Timbavati/Kruger area. The Tsau! Preserve is situated less than an hour’s drive from Kruger National Park, South Africa’s most renowned wildlife preserve. Every species of South African wildlife calls Kruger home.

We will take a full day’s tour of the park in open safari vehicles which afford the best opportunities for photography. Another exciting outing is our visit to the Elephant Sanctuary where we will learn about the intriguing anatomy and character of these great creatures. We will visit Jessica Hippo. Jessica was a baby hippo separated from her mother in a large rain storm. She was washed up on shore and befriended a former park ranger. She now divides her time between the world of the humans and swimming and feeding with her native species who live in nearby river.

We will tour the Drakensberg (Dragon) Mountains with a panoramic view of such spectacular sights as God’s Window, the Three Rondavels and Pilgrim’s Rest in this third largest canyon in the world.

We will visit the village of Linda’s teacher, Maria Khosa, where we can purchase local crafts and will experience the dramatic lion dance of local villagers by firelight after eating a traditional village meal with our hosts.
ACCOMMODATIONS AT TSAU! WHITE LIONS PRESERVE

At Tsau! our accommodation, called Camp Unicorn, features lovely adobe and wood-thatched rondavel huts centered around a spacious and open teaching and dining space. A small swimming pool, fire pit seating area and lion sanctuary space complete the grounds. Our rooms are double occupancy rondavels. Two of the rondavels feature in-room baths and the remainder share large communal baths with excellent hot showers. Linda’s personal chef Daniel Mkhondo will prepare our three delicious daily meals with an abundance of vegetarian and meat-eater’s options. Let us know if you have any special dietary needs. Daniel can prepare vegetarian, wheat and dairy free meals at no extra cost.
SHOPPING SPREE

On the final travel day of our trip we will stop at several craft centers en route to Johannesburg where we will stay overnight at the Outlook Lodge with our friends Francois Jones, and his team. Craft makers from all over Africa sell their finest wares in the small towns along the way to Johannesburg. Be prepared to buy an extra bag just to take home these amazing finds. On the last full day of our trip we will visit the famous Rosebank market in the Zoo Lake area of Johannesburg. We will eat a traditional lunch at the atmosphere rich Moyo restaurant which includes live music and a wonderful gift shop all its own, before making our way to the airport for the early evening flight home.
GROUND PACKAGE AND AIRFARE COST

**Ground Package:** Tours of White Lions Preserve*, Kruger National Park, Elephant Sanctuary, Jessica Hippo, Drakensburg & Shaman’s Village as well as 8 nights of accommodation, meals and all transportation within South Africa (excludes meals at Kruger/Johannesburg) with early registration by January 1st ……..$2,350.

**Airfare to Johannesburg:**
*Outbound:* BWI to JFK at 2:45 p.m. on June 18th via American Airlines with overnight stay at Howard Johnson's hotel at JFK(double occupancy) ----OR---- JFK to Johannesburg June 19th at 11:15 a.m. via South African Airways only. (Same price for either flight itinerary.)

All participants must have valid passports with validity through December 2013 with 6 blank pages for immigration stamps. (No visas or immunizations required.)

Upon arrival to Johannesburg at 7:45 a.m. local time, we’ll take a SAA partner flight to Hoedspruit at 10:15 a.m. arriving at 11:20 a.m. After a short 20 min ride, we will arrive to Tsau! Preserve.

*Return:* to Dulles on June 27th departing Johannesburg at 6:50 p.m. and arriving 6:25 a.m. on June 28th.

Airfare cost guaranteed with registration by April 1st 2013…..$1,650 USD

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Total White Lions Journey cost per person with early registration by January 1st…………. $4,000 USD

**Deadlines and prices for ground package registration are as follows:**

- Early registration by January 1st $2,350
- Registration by February 1st $2,450
- Registration by March 1st, $2,550
- Registration by last available booking date Monday, April 15th, $2,650

**Payment deadlines and details:**

A registration deposit of $400 is required. Deposit is non-refundable. Pay by check (no fee,) or credit card or Pay Pal (add approx 3%). Monthly payments may be arranged by asking Harriet or Kari.

Airfare must be paid by May 25th Ground package must be paid in full before departure.

*Please note that this unique White Lion monitoring experience is not open to the public and is offered to this group of Inner Circle people as an authentic eco-educational and inspirational opportunity. Changes to exact itinerary may be made to accommodate inclement weather and the circumstances surrounding the health and welfare of the wildlife.

**Registration Contacts:**
The White Lion Journey is led by evolutionary astrologer, Kari Noren-Hoshal, and shaman in the Peruvian tradition, Harriet McMahon from the Washington D.C. and New York area each year.

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**Passport:** Travelers are required to have had a valid passport for 2 months prior to the June 18th departure (by April 15th, 2013.)

Passports must have 6 clean pages for immigration stamps and be valid for at least 6 months following return on June 28th, 2013. No visa is required for Americans traveling to South Africa on a short journey of this type.

**Immunizations/Medications:** No immunizations are required to enter South Africa from the USA. Timbavati/Kruger where we will be traveling is considered a malaria area however. Though we will not be traveling during the rainy season, you can choose to take anti-malaria pills such as Malarone. These pills are taken daily just before, during and after the trip. The side effects of Malarone are usually very slight and you may not feel any effects at all. It is your sole responsibility to decide whether to take the pills or not. Contact a travel doctor through your physician in order to get a prescription. Do your own research on the internet. Previous trips in this area did not present any problem for those who chose to take the Malarone or for those who chose not to take it. Bring insect repellant in any case.

**Clothing & Toiletries:** Because insects are attracted to brightly colored clothing it’s advisable to bring earth tones of white, beige, khaki and brown. These will also help you blend in better to your surroundings. Hats and sunglasses are suggested as are insect repellant and sunscreen for all outings. One useful item to have is a pair convertible pant/shorts made of easy-dry fabric. It can be humid and these pants are worn comfortably, day after day. A pair of long underwear or leggings is useful for wear as we will be traveling during the Autumn in South Africa. A medium weight jacket or fleece is suggested for evenings. Bring earplugs if lion roars, insect or frog noises would bother you at night. Bring a few wire hangers if you wish to hang your clothes--as there are no dressers. A converter from 120 American volts to 230 South African volts is advisable to charge camera batteries, iphones, ipods, etc. and to run hairdryers. Converters can be purchased inexpensively over the internet.

**Accommodations:** Rooms at Tsau! are on the rustic side. Because of the limited number of participants on this trip (14 or less) rooms will be shared with another person. You are in good company! Your roommate is likely to become a good friend as we have found on past trips. Only two of the rondavels have baths included and these are reserved for couples and those who register first. Shared uni-sex bathrooms are roomy and provide good hot water showers at all times. Because there is no heat in the rooms we will all be purchasing ceramic space heaters to donate to the Preserve. Additional space heaters will be found in the bathrooms.

**Respect for Wildlife:** As per Linda Tucker please note: This unique White Lion monitoring experience is not open to the public and is offered to this Inner Circle group as an authentic eco-educational and inspirational opportunity. Photography is allowed everywhere on our journey except when viewing the White Lions at Tsau! Preserve. The scientific monitoring vehicles used for viewing the lions do not intrude upon the White Lions’ personal space and to ensure that, we keep our voices to a whisper. We also avoid taking cameras into their environment and instead enter into the magic of their natural existence and share in its timeless beauty without trying to record it. Contact with the White Lions is a non-photographic experience. However, magnificent photographic studies and greeting cards of the White Lions are available for purchase. All proceeds from these items directly benefit the White Lions.
Tuesday, June 18th
White Lions Journey Group arrives to BWI Airport at 12 noon. Group departs on American Airlines at 2:45 arriving JFK airport at 4:25 p.m. Guests will overnight at Howard Johnson’s Airport Hotel for flight the next morning. If you live in the NY metro area you can meet us at JFK airport the next morning.

Wednesday, June 19th
Flight departs from JFK for Johannesburg nonstop at 11:15 a.m. and arrives at 7:45 a.m. the next morning of June 20th.

Thursday, June 20th
Flight from Johannesburg to Hoedspruit departs Johannesburg at 10:15 a.m. arriving at 11:20 a.m. We will be driven directly to Tsau! Preserve where we will enjoy a welcome lunch with Linda Tucker. Introductions after lunch will be lead by Linda Tucker. She will prepare us for our first Lion Monitoring experience at dusk and give us general background on the outings we will experience in the area. After several hours of Evening Lion Monitoring we will eat dinner and get to bed early in anticipation of our dawn Summer Solstice Ceremony the next morning.
**Friday, June 21st**

Early Morning Summer Solstice Ceremony at the White Lions Tree House. Linda and Harriet will lead us in an Abundance Ceremony to welcome the first rays of the Summer Sun from this beautiful location. White Lion Monitoring with Jason will followed by Breakfast. Today Linda Tucker introduces the “Technology of Love” in preparation for animal communication techniques with the White Lions and shamanic techniques for receiving messages from the White Lions in meditation and dream time.

Linda & Jason share personal anecdotes over a hearty lunch made by Shangaan chef Daniel Mkhondo. Afternoon Talks: Jason Turner, lion ecologist discusses White Lion Genetics- the search for the genetic marker that makes the White Lions unique and the White Lion re-introduction project into the wild. Harriet McMahon, shaman in the Peruvian tradition, leads us in a workshop and meditation called “Remembering the Sacred Space of the Heart” in order to help us open the heart chakra to tune in to the high vibration of our surroundings and optimize our reception of messages from the white lions. Evening Tracking and Monitoring of the White Lions’ Royal Pride with Jason is followed by a Traditional Dinner under the stars. Day closes with Dream Interpretation Workshop and messages from the White Lions, integrating their wisdom back into our everyday lives.
Saturday, June 22nd
Early morning rise to share dream experiences and travel 45 minutes to Kruger Park where we will spend the entire day observing and photographing the incredible array of wildlife at one of the world's best and South Africa’s most famous wildlife park. In the last two years we have seen elephants, rhinos, zebras, kudu, wildebeest, hyenas, hippos, lions, giraffe, water buffalo, crocodiles, gazelle, and a wonderful pack of extremely rare wild dogs as well as an array of colorful local birds including the very large and impressive Marshall Eagle which is native to the area. Lunch is ala carte at the Kruger full service restaurant and gift shop. We will return to Camp Unicorn at dusk for evening Lion Monitoring, dinner and a Celebration of the Full Moon in Sagittarius.

Sunday, June 23rd
Early morning Lion Monitoring is following by a hearty Breakfast & Intention Setting. We prepare the body & soul for the powerful energy of walking the golden leyline of the Nilotic Meridian in the nearby Drakensburg (Dragon) Mountains. We will follow part of the route of the great elephants who walk the leyline in their migration across the African Continent. Today we will take an Excursion to the Elephant Sanctuary where we will have direct & loving contact with these great ancestral beings. Guided elephant rides are available at an additional charge of 400 Rand (about $50.)

Then we are guests at the village of Linda's teacher, Lion Queen Maria Khosa. Beautiful beaded jewelry and other handicrafts made by villagers are for sale and there is an opportunity for bone divination fortunes given by traditional healers of Maria Khosa's village at an additional charge of about $20. After a delicious traditional dinner we will join the Khosa extended family for White Lion dancing around the fire after dinner to complete this exciting experience!
Monday, June 24th
Early morning Lion monitoring is followed by breakfast and Kari’s workshop on the “Mayan Calendar and The Birthing of a New Age.” Participants will receive their Mayan astrological signs and guidance in how to follow their own path toward spiritual activism. Afterwards Linda will take us for a picnic on the banks of the Klaserie River where she will give her talk on the significance of the Nilotic Meridian before returning to Camp Unicorn for Evening Lion Monitoring and a hearty native Barbecue Dinner made over an open fire.

Tuesday, June 25th
Early morning lion monitoring is followed by today’s excursion to visit to Jessica Hippo. This visit allows us to see how this amazing animal is able to live between two worlds with her human benefactors and swimming and feeding with her own kind in the nearby river. A baby hippo companion recently joined Jessica and we will be able to visit with him as well. This afternoon we will “become the lion”
with a special meditation with Linda Tucker on the banks of the Klaserie River. This meditation takes us on a journey of enlightenment and empowerment, sharing White Lion techniques to help us integrate the principles and qualities of these most radiant of animals in our own lives. Tuning into these qualities helps us to achieve greater self-fulfillment, self-healing, leadership potential and effective decision-making, before our evening Lion Monitoring session and a hearty dinner.

**Wednesday, June 26th**
After a final early morning Lion Monitoring session we will have an opportunity to buy photos, signed books, DVDs, jewelry and handicrafts made by Wina, Linda’s talented housekeeper, before our return to Johannesburg. Along the way we will drive through the beautiful Drakensburg mountains and stop for lunch and handicraft shopping at the towns. We arrive to Outlook Lodge in the late afternoon with an opportunity to get settled and showered before dinner at a local restaurant.

**Thursday, June 27th**
Shopping at the famed Rosebank Market. Forty top rate artisans show their crafts and jewelry at this appealing tourist market set in an upscale shopping center. Lunch at Moyo, a lively touristic restaurant in Johannesburg with live music and views of the Zoo Lake. Return to Outlook Lodge to do a final pack before departure to Johannesburg airport at 4 p.m. for our return flight home at 6:50 p.m. An afternoon tea break at the airport is accompanied by final shopping at the amazing stores at the airport mall.

* Please note: this itinerary is not set in stone, and may change depending on the weather, the people and most important of all, the animals.
Space is limited! Only 14 spaces are available on this trip.

Be sure to secure your participation and save on early registration by January 1\textsuperscript{st}. A $400 deposit guarantees your place. You can make monthly payments over an 8-month or shorter period. All airfare and ground package costs must be paid in full before departure on June 18\textsuperscript{th}, 2013.