When calculating travel time for certain distances, don’t forget to add in your viewing stops. As you drive, ask the locals how long it takes to the next stop. Keep extra water and snacks for the road trips, and remember to take breaks to stretch your legs and rest your eyes.

Sun Run

Flower viewing is best when the sun is low in the morning and evening. When observing flowers on foot, stand with the sun behind your back.

Flower Connoisseur

...and for the flower connoisseur wishing to identify rarer species, specialized regional field guides are available from bookstores in Cape Town.

No-Phone Zones

These are only suggested routes, and can be changed depending on the needs of the visit. For more information on a flower site, please consult the relevant tourist offices.

**ROUTE 1**

- Cape Town
- Welcome to the Garden Route, where flowers bloom in abundance. The route includes stops at the Cape of Good Hope, the Table Mountain National Park, and the Kirstenbosch Botanical Garden. The garden is one of the world’s most beautiful botanical gardens, with over 10,000 species of plants and flowers.

**ROUTE 2**

- Garden Route
- Take the R44 to take the R44 to the Oudtshoorn region. The town is known for its ostrich farms and its beautiful wildflower fields. The route includes stops at the找收费站 and the Buffels Valley Nature Reserve.

**ROUTE 3**

- Oudtshoorn
- Take the R62 to take the R62 to the Hankey region. The town is known for its citrus orchards and its beautiful wildflower fields. The route includes stops at the找收费站 and the Eden Valley Nature Reserve.

**ROUTE 4**

- Hankey
- Take the R27 to take the R27 to the Graaff-Reinet region. The town is known for its beautiful wildflower fields and its historic architecture. The route includes stops at the找收费站 and the Quoin Hill Nature Reserve.
South Africa’s largest provincia is an absolutely must-see destination for any visit. The annual flower season, a bucket-list item for any nature lover, runs from July through October each year. The exuberance of flowers blooming in the wild spaces, the gardens and the parks is quite simply magnificent.

Superbly subtropical, the only way to describe the Namakwa region in spring. When the natural floral spectacle has hit its crescendo and reaches its peak between July and September, the entire range becomes draped in a blanket of flowers that is breathtakingly beautiful.

The stunning floral display of the Namib has earned it the nickname “The Garden of the Kingdom”. South Africa’s Northern Cape is considered by the locals as a region of flowers and blooming areas that attract visitors. To make sure you don’t miss a thing, there are a number of hotspots that you can visit. Where and when the best blooms occur, you can track them down through the Flower Hotlines on +27 079 294 7260.

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Hopefield Fynbos Show, Clanwilliam Wild Flower Show, Wild Flower Shows
Vredenburg
Cederberg & Matzikama mountain ranges
Between July and October each year, the sun-baked plains and sandstone mountains of the West Coast towards Namakwa.

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