

Our Tours

We Operate “Bespoke Special Interest” Group Tours

Designer Tours has, since 1992, operated tours exclusively for groups of persons who share a common interest. These persons are closely bonded by membership of an association, club or school. The tours are designed to take in events and locations central to the interest of the groups.

[See Next Page for the schedule of Tours Operated, for whom, and References](#)

Outgoing Specific Interest Group Tours

Cricket Tours

Annual ARCA and local School Cricket teams to play against notable UK Public College Schools. Typically playing seven or eight matches during a two week period, over a wide area of the UK.

Karate Tours

The NMA-ISKA Protea Sport Karate Team to Orlando, to participate at the ISKA Sport Karate World Championships (since 1992). Also IKGA & WAKO teams to Perth (136), Canada & USA (182).

Aviation Tours

The annual aviation enthusiasts tour to the EAA Oshkosh Airshow in the USA (since 1995). With 1 million attendees, 12,000 aircraft, 7 airshows, 500 forums over seven days, it is the biggest, best, and most important airshow in the world. Aviators must attend - at least once in a lifetime.

School Tours

Subject orientated tours for high school students to the USA and UK (since 1994). The tours operate for typically 16 days. Most tours cover Washington, New York and Boston. Workshops for EGD and Drama students in all three cities are included in the itineraries, as are visits to Harvard, Columbia, Yale and Princeton Universities. History is covered by Guide Escorted Tour in all three cities, and visits to historic sites in Pennsylvania.

Incoming Specific Interest Group Tours

Cricket Tours

UK Public College and Cricket Club Tours to compete against local Schools and Clubs.

We hosted Harrow School in Dec 2019.

Planned for February 2022 – The Cape Town Under 18 Cricket Festival

– Five incoming schools to play five matches each against highly cricket rated Cape Town Schools.

Sport Tours

Karate - Wako Canada, Wako USA & the UK BMAA, to compete in local Tournaments.

Flight-Seeing Safari Tours

Up to 10 light aircraft in a group, for private pilots from the USA, UK and France. Self-piloting for two weeks, covering some 5000 km around Southern Africa in a group under control of an Escort Aircraft piloted by an extremely experienced local bush-pilot (also a 747 captain).

Discerning Traveller Tours - Outgoing and Incoming

First operated in 2006 at the request of the “Navioneers” – an association of USA Navion Aircraft owners. More recently, Navioneer relatives, friends, and persons who were members of our above listed Specific Interest groups, plus persons who have heard about these groups, have joined.

Past Discerning Traveller Tours have been to South Africa, New Zealand, England & Scotland, Wales & Ireland, and Portugal. Portugal has been operated every second year since 2014.

Also in demand and repeated frequently is our Western Cape Klein Karoo Safari Tour featuring an extended three day-night stay in the Big Five (White Lion) Sanbona Wildlife Reserve.

Other Interest Tours

Matjiesfontein Memorial Cricket

For Cricket Club members and Matjiesfontein Sports Club members, a bi-annual weekend of cricket played on the historic pitch where the games between South Africa and England took place during in 1888 and 1889 - during the Boer War.

Keen cricket fans, who may be interested, are welcome to join as supporters.

Corporate Tours

Rentokil Achievers - and Family members to New York and Orlando (184).

Real Estate Agents - to attend World Conferences in Orlando (49), and San Francisco (24).

Londis Achievers - two golf tours to Cape Town (74) & (16) for their Ireland staff achievers.

References

[Corporate Referrals](#)

[Cricket Stadium Referrals](#)

[Cricket Tour Referrals](#)

[Discerning Traveller Tour Referrals](#)

[Flightseeing Safari Pilot Tour Referrals](#)

[Karate Tour Referrals](#)

[Oshkosh Tour Referrals](#)

[School Tour Referrals](#)

TOURS THAT WE HAVE OPERATED

Analysis of Tours Operated - by Type of Tour		Aircraft	Tours	Pax
		51	163	6642
Pilot Tours	Self-Piloting Groups on "Flight-seeing Safari" Tours	49	8	117
Aviator Tours	To the World's Best and largest Airshow - "Oshkosh"		23	583
Discerning Travel	Small Group Discerning Traveller Tours		6	109
FIT Tours	On Request Tours for Individuals	2	21	78
Corporate Tours	Achievement Award and Conference Tours		7	369
Cricket Tours	Incoming and Outgoing Cricket Tours		9	1441
Karate Tours	International Tournament Participation Tours		40	2487
School Tours			49	1458
	Crawford College - Pretoria		4	95
	Crawford College - Johannesburg		10	259
	Diocesan School for Girls and St Andrew's College for Boys - Grahamstown		4	178
	Kearsney College - Durban		6	226
	Pineland High & Fish Hoek High Schools - Cape Town		5	110
	St Anne's Diocesan College for Girls - Hilton		3	94
	St John's College for Boys - Johannesburg		3	100
	St Mary's School for Girls - Johannesburg		2	51
	St Stithians Boy's College and St Stithians Girls' College - Johannesburg		9	256