

# Summer 2011

Our preview of sizzling LGBT destinations



## Fire Island Frolics: End of an Era

By Michael K. Lavers | Sep 7

This season's last issue of the Fire Island News marks the end of an era of sorts for this

humble reporter.

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## New Orleans Anew Easy Livin' in the Big Easy

### LAN Airlines Launches New LGBT Website

Jan 1

LAN's new LGBT microsite features a host of information and resources for the prospective traveler to South America. It includes detailed descriptions of key South American destinations with information of interest to gay and lesbian travelers.



### Gourmet Capitals Berlin and Hamburg Awarded 27 Michelin Stars

Jan 3

Northern Germany's top chefs in Berlin and Hamburg continue to rack up Michelin stars, firmly establishing the two cities at the top of the country's gourmet food chain.



### Celebrate Cape Town's 2012 Gay Pride Week on an 8-Day Safari

Jan 2

Extraordinary Journeys Africa, specialists in bespoke customized safaris to Africa, is offering an 8-day safari in honor of Cape Town's Gay Pride Week that will take place February 27-March 4, 2012.



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**Celebrate Cape Town's 2012 Gay Pride Week on an 8-Day Safari**

Monday Jan 2, 2012

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New York, NY - Extraordinary Journeys Africa, specialists in bespoke customized safaris to Africa, is offering an 8-day safari in honor of Cape Town's Gay Pride Week that will take place February 27-March 4, 2012.

The first four nights are spent in Cape Town where guests will have the opportunity to see the exciting Gay Parade in action, attend the wildly elegant yet funky Pink Ball and experience all of the Gay Pride events this pulsing city has to offer including adventure activities, shopping and more!

For the last three nights, a flight from Cape Town to the Madikwe Game Reserve in the Sabi Sands will transport guests to a five star luxury lodge surrounded by fierce wildlife. This luxury safari is masterfully created to combine the urban city excitement of Cape Town with the rare wildlife viewing in Madikwe.

**Itinerary:**

Feb 27-March 1 ~ Cape Town ~ Kensington Place  
March 2-4 ~ Madikwe Game Reserve ~ Jamala Royal Safari Lodge



Jamala Madikwe Royal Lodge (Source:Jamala Madikwe Royal Lodge)

Accommodations in Cape Town will be spent at the gay owned boutique property, Kensington Place , a haven of quiet elegance and located just steps away from Kloof Street, one of the city's most lively and trendy areas. Guests will not have to venture far from the hotel to enjoy Cape Town's hot spots, beaches and cultural attractions.

In addition to Gay Pride events, EJ Africa can arrange for a variety of activities ranging from a visit to Robben Island, a 400 year old prison which is now recognized by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site, sea kayaking with African Penguins, a cable car ride up to the top of Table Mountain, and a private shopping tour with a chauffeur, of course.

Cap off the fun and great celebration of Cape Town diversity with a flight to South Africa's newest reserve to explore over 300 square miles of Madikwe, home to some of the continent's highest concentrations of predators and rare game. Guests are assured the ultimate in personal service and style at the uber luxurious and sexy Jamala Madikwe Royal Safari Lodge.

This exclusive lodge, owned by gay partners Shawn Roe and Rodney Steyn, consists of only five stunning villas, each with their very own splash pool, allowing for total privacy. Here, game viewing

Pricing starts at \$4,200 per person based on double and includes 7 nights of accommodation; all meals on safari; game viewing activities; scheduled charter flight to Madikwe and private transfers. Valid February 27-March 4, 2012.

Run by an extraordinary mother-daughter team, EJ Africa organizes customized trips for honeymooners, families and individual travelers to Botswana, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia. Mixing and matching safaris, camps, lodges, and villas, with travel by private planes, 4x4s, hot air balloons, elephant, camel and even horse, EJ Africa has planned over 500 trips to Africa and not one has been the same.



Kensington Place pool (Source:Kensington Place)

is at its prime as it is the fourth largest reserve in the country and hosts the second largest population of elephants.



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**Cape Town Welcomes LGBT Community for Holidays**

Oct 30  
South Africa has some of the best LGBT friendly spots in the world, which offer an incredible escape from the harsh north winters, attracting thousands of members of the LGBT community to Cape Town each year.



**From Cape Town to Cape Cod: DJ Adien promises aural opulence**

By Rick Dunn | May 14  
With just a few years DJing under her belt, Adien has quickly risen from Miami ingenue to heralded circuit head-liner



**Thousands march in Cape Town for gay rights in Africa**

Mar 6  
Thousands of people took part in a raucous gay pride march Saturday in Cape Town, South Africa's gay capital, pressing for more tolerance in Africa, one of the world's most homophobic regions.



**South African Debuts AIDS Film On World AIDS Day**

By Donna Bryson | Dec 1  
A film opening on World AIDS Day Thursday that mixes live action and animation is taking viewers inside a soccer player's body, showing how he becomes infected with HIV and spreads the virus.



**Driving Around the World: From South Africa to Iran**

By NICOLAS RAPP | Nov 9  
Somewhere on the way from Ethiopia to Djibouti, as I continued an overland trip around the world that has taken me 30,000 miles from New York City through two dozen countries, I developed a theory about travel.



**South African wins Mr Gay World pageant**

Feb 14  
A South African man has won the 2010 Mr Gay World pageant, beating rivals from Australia, Hong Kong, China and Spain, the organisers said on Sunday.



**Savvy Navigator Offers Luxury Gay Safaris in South Africa**

Feb 21  
Savvy Navigator, provider of luxurious



Jamala Madikwe Guest Room (Source:Jamala Madikwe Royal Lodge)

For more information, contact Extraordinary Journeys, 345 West 58th 3M, New York, NY 10019; 1-800-403-6012 or 917-325-3342 or visit: [www.ejafrika.com](http://www.ejafrika.com)



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### Game Rides in Luxurious South Africa

By Merle Exit | Jul 1

Imagine yourself up close with wild animals running free, and then retreating to accommodations that include your own outdoor shower. This is the luxury of a vacation in South Africa.



### A Taste of of South Africa :: Karoo Kafe