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Partaking in an adventure tour in Africa involves covering hundreds if not thousands of kilometres and our tours are as much about this journey as they are about the destinations we visit. Use your time during these drives to talk to your fellow travellers, have a drink and take note of the world passing by your window. Some roads you travel on will be smooth and easy while others could take up to an hour to cover 1 kilometre. There is just no telling what could happen with road, weather, traffic and other conditions that may exist that will either increase or decrease the amount of time you spend on the road so take your watch off, put your iPad away, turn off your phone and just relax. An average day could take anything from 5 to 14 hours, it all depends on the day... and that's only an "average"!

Please ensure that you have downloaded and read a copy of the [PRE DEPARTURE INFORMATION](#) booklet as this document contains important information (e.g travel insurance, visas, your money, health etc) you need to know before you depart on tour

Please ensure you arrive at the departure point at least 30 minutes before the scheduled departure time.

Tour departure point

8.00am Shearwater Explorers Village, Adam Stander Dr, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Tel: +263 13 47362 <http://explorersvillage.com/>

Tour ending point

Garden Court O.R. Tambo International Airport, 2 Hulley Road Isando Ext. 3, Kempton Park, Gauteng, South Africa

Tel: +27 (0)11 392 1062 <https://www.southernsun.com/garden-court-or-tambo-international-airport>

Maximum Number of Passengers

20

After hours emergency contact

Our reservations staff are available to receive emergency calls. We would like to request that you respect this emergency number and use it only in the event of emergencies. Please only contact this number if, for example, you have missed your incoming flight, you cannot find your airport transfer or you are running late for your tour departure.

If calling from outside South Africa: 0027 82 578 2199

If calling within South Africa: 082 578 2199

Pre and Post Tour Accommodation

If you require accommodation before or after your tour we can arrange this for you. We can also arrange airport transfers – contact your travel agent or Nomad to make these bookings.

Arrival / Departure

Please be sure to arrive 1 day before your tour is due to depart. This will avoid any unforeseen problems. We also highly recommend that you book your flights to depart the day after the tour officially ends to allow for delays and changes.

What's included

All meals which are prepared and served at the Nomad truck / accommodation / qualified crew / filtered water / transport in the Nomad truck / included highlights as per the itinerary / entrance fees to National Parks.

What's excluded

Items of a personal nature (snacks, alcohol, soft drinks) / entrance fees (associated with optional activities / souvenirs / tips

Countries Visited

Zimbabwe, South Africa, eSwatini, Mozambique

Onward Travel

This tour can be linked with a number of our other routes, including East Africa and the Kruger National Park. If you are interested to enhance your tour further, please [contact us](#) to receive a list of all the available options to suite your time frame and budget.

Green Seats – Travel Responsibly in Africa

Nomad has a non-profit Trust that looks after the people, animals and places that we visit. We realise that a footprint is left where we travel and for this reason, the Nomad Africa Trust was established. Your donation to the Trust is called a "Green Seat". If you would like to help Nomad making Africa Greener, simply choose the tick box during your booking process (or contact us afterwards to add it) and we will take care of the rest. The Nomad African Trust is responsible for the administration of the funds collected from the sale of the green seats and these funds are distributed to various projects as identified by the Trust.

TOUR ITINERARY

Day 1 - Victoria Falls to Hwange National Park

This morning we leave the rumble and adventure of Victoria Falls behind us as we make the journey south to Hwange National Park. Hwange is the largest of Zimbabwe's national parks and offers excellent opportunities for viewing the diversity of wildlife that calls the park home.

Accommodation	Hwange Main Camp http://zimparks.org OR Miombo Safari https://miombosafari.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with En-Suite Bathroom Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Victoria Falls to Hwange National Park
Meals	Lunch, Dinner
Optional Activity	Victoria Falls National Park Entry

Day 2 – Hwange National Park

Home to the big-5, Hwange National Park also offers a wide variety of plains game and birdlife. We will spend the day game driving (in open 4x4 vehicles) through Hwange in search of the animals.

Accommodation	Hwange Main Camp http://zimparks.org OR Miombo Safari https://miombosafari.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with En-Suite Bathroom Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Hwange National Park
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Full day Hwange National Park game drive

Day 3 – Matopos National Park

After breakfast we continue south towards Bulawayo, the second largest city in Zimbabwe. Our afternoon will be spent exploring the Matopos National Park with a local guide. The park received recognition as a UNESCO natural World Heritage Site in 2003 and includes an intensive protection zone that is home to both Black and White Rhinoceros. Named after the Ndebele word "Matobo", whose meaning "bald heads" refers to the rounded granite hills that surround it. We return to Bulawayo and our overnight stop for the night.

Accommodation	Banff Lodge http://www.banfflodgehotel.com/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Two per Room with en-suite bathroom <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Hwange National Park to Bulawayo to Matopos National Park
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Afternoon game drive in Matopos National Park

Day 4 – Great Zimbabwe Ruins

Our journey today takes us to Masvingo and the Great Zimbabwe Ruins. This afternoon we will enjoy a guided walking tour of this historic site. Dating back to the Late Iron Age, this UNESCO World Heritage Site was once the capital of the Kingdom of Zimbabwe. We take time this afternoon to marvel at the intricate stone work and experience the heritage of this monument to early Zimbabwean civilisation.

Accommodation	Norma Jeans Lake View Resort http://www.normajeanslakeview.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with En-Suite Bathroom Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	(Bulawayo) Matopos National Park to Great Zimbabwe Ruins (Masvingo)
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Visit to the Great Zimbabwe Ruins

Day 5 – Mapesu Private Game Reserve

Leaving the sites of Zimbabwe behind we cross the Limpopo River and enter South Africa this afternoon.

Accommodation	Mapesu Wilderness Camp https://mapesu.com/accommodation-wilderness-tented-camp/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with En-Suite Bathroom Camping: Two per Room with En-Suite Bathroom <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Great Zimbabwe Ruins (Masvingo) to Mapesu Private Game Reserve
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Border Post	Beitbridge Border Post +263 862 2303 / 2366 +27 (015) 530-0066 / 71 website: http://www.zimra.co.zw

Day 6 - Johannesburg

This morning we take the highway south to Johannesburg, we arrive in Johannesburg in the late afternoon.

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Accommodation	Garden Court OR Tambo International www.southernsun.com/garden-court-or-tambo-international-airport
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with En-Suite Bathroom Camping: Two per Room with En-Suite Bathroom <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Mapesu Private Game Reserve to Johannesburg
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch

Day 7 – Johannesburg - Eswatini

We depart Johannesburg and travel through scenic Mpumalanga until we reach Eswatini. Crossing into the country we enter Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary where we spend the next 2 nights.

Accommodation	Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary http://biggameparks.org/properties/mlilwane-wildlife-sanctuary-2
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per hut with en-suite bathroom Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Johannesburg to Eswatini
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Border Post	South Africa: Oshoek, Tel: +27 (0) 17 882 0138/9, Open: 07h00-22h00 Eswatini: Ngwenya, Tel: Not Available, Open: 07h00-22h00

Day 8 - Eswatini

An interwoven network of 9 trails traverse Mlilwane and this morning you will have the opportunity to explore these trails with your guide. After enjoying lunch the afternoon will be spent at leisure. Mlilwane offers an array of activities and adventures in the Ezulwini Valley.

Accommodation	Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary http://biggameparks.org/properties/mlilwane-wildlife-sanctuary-2
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per hut with en-suite bathroom Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Morning walk with Nomad guide

Day 9 – Eswatini

We depart Mlilwane and head to another great reserve, Hlane Game Reserve. Our stay in Eswatini presents us with an opportunity to enjoy a game drive through the reserve.

Accommodation	Hlane game reserve http://www.biggameparks.org/hlane OR Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary http://biggameparks.org/properties/mlilwane-wildlife-sanctuary-2
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary to Hlane Game Reserve
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Rhino Game Drive in Hlane Game Reserve

Day 10 – Xai Xai, Mozambique

With the beaches of the Indian Ocean beckoning we enter Mozambique and make our first stop near the town of Xai Xai, arriving in the late afternoon we have time for a walk on the beach or a sundowner say 'Hello!' to the Indian Ocean and the pristine beaches of Mozambique.

Accommodation	Go Wild Resort http://www.gowildresort.co.za
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room in a shared bungalow with shared ablutions Camping: Two per room in a shared bungalow with shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Eswatini to Xai Xai
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Border Post	Mozambique: Namaacha, Tel: not available, Open: 07h00-20h00 Eswatini: Lomahasha, Tel: +268 323 6026, Open: 07h00-20h00

Day 11 – Vilanculos

This morning we travel north to our next stop, the coastal town of Vilanculos, which is renowned for its idyllic white sandy beaches and azure waters. It's the gateway to the greater Bazaruto Archipelago, offering fantastic snorkeling, diving, and fishing opportunities. With vibrant local culture, diverse marine life, and picturesque dhow safaris, Vilanculos epitomizes tropical serenity and adventure.

Accommodation	Sailaway Safaris https://www.sailaway.co.za/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Xai Xai to Vilanculos

Validity: 2024

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 12 – Vilanculos – Magaruque Island Tour

We board a traditional dhow this morning and set sail to the island of Magaruque. We spend the day exploring the island, snorkelling and enjoying the beaches of this island paradise. Be sure to keep your sunblock handy as today is filled with sun, sea, sand and exploration. We return in the afternoon and enjoy a well-earned night of rest.

Accommodation	Sailaway Safaris https://www.sailaway.co.za/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Magaruque Island Tour with dhow (Full Day)

Day 13 - Inhambane – Barra Beach

Our journey takes us to the palm lined beaches of the Inhambane District for two days of relaxation and ocean fun. We travel back south along the coast, passing the many villages and plantations of coconuts, cashews and sugar cane. Inhambane is a historic city, steeped in Portuguese colonial charm. Known for its rustling palm trees and tranquil beaches, the city offers a delightful blend of African and colonial architecture. It's a gateway to diving hotspots like Tofo Beach, renowned for its whale shark and manta ray sightings.

Accommodation	Bay View Lodge http://www.bayviewlodgemoz.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Two per room with shared ablutions (Group House) <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Vilanculos to Inhambane
Included Highlight	Neptune's Dinner
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 14 - Inhambane

With two days of beach time we have an opportunity to relax and enjoy the warm waters of the Indian Ocean, the more adventurous can sign up for a variety of optional activities. While the beaches at Barra are safe for swimming, the reefs on this stretch of coast offer excellent opportunities for diving or snorkelling.

Accommodation	Bay View Lodge http://www.bayviewlodgemoz.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Two per room with shared ablutions (Group House) <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Optional Activities	Ocean Safaris, Quad Biking, Scuba Diving, Snorkelling and more

Day 15 - Inhambane

Today we make the short drive to Tofo to spend the day enjoying yet another of Mozambique's iconic beach destination. With safe swimming, a charming market and a number of popular beach bars, Tofo is perfect for a day's outing. A second day not only ensures that you have the opportunity to make the most of the activities on offer; it also allows us some flexibility to adapt to the weather.

Accommodation	Bay View Lodge http://www.bayviewlodgemoz.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Two per room with shared ablutions (Group House) <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Visit to Tofo
Optional Activity	Ocean Safaris, Quad Biking, Scuba Diving, Snorkelling and more

Day 16 – Maputo

With the beaches of the Indian Ocean behind us, we enter Maputo, the capital city offers a vibrant and eclectic mix of cultures. Maputo offers interesting and varied architecture and no visit to the city would be complete without a browse through a market.

Accommodation	Southern Sun Maputo http://www.tsogosunhotels.com/hotels/maputo/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Two per room with en-suite bathroom <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Inhambane to Maputo
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Maputo Walking Tour with Nomad Guide

Day 17 – Mozambique to Kruger National Park, South Africa

Shaking the sand from our shoes, we pack up and depart Mozambique for the sounds of the bush of Kruger National Park. This evening we will enjoy a sunset game drive through the Nkambeni reserve.

Accommodation	Nkambeni Reserve http://www.nkambeni.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Permanent tent with en-suite bathroom Camping: Campsite with Shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Maputo to Kruger National Park
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Sunset Game Drive
Border	Mozambique: Lebombo, Tel: +258 2155 0010, Open: 06h00-18h00 South Africa: Komatipoort, Tel: +27 (013) 793-7201, Open: 06h00-18h00

Day 18 - Kruger National Park

Rising early this morning we enter the Kruger National Park to enjoy a full-day of game viewing. The abundance of wildlife presents us with opportunities for excellent sightings, while the Kruger is also home to the famed members of Africa's Big-5. The game drive offers the excitement of experiencing the park from an open-sided 4x4 vehicle. Returning to camp this afternoon, and after a short break, there will be an opportunity to join an optional sundowner drive. Booking is essential and your guide can assist on departure this morning.

Accommodation	Nkambeni Reserve http://www.nkambeni.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Permanent tent with en-suite bathroom Camping: Campsite with Shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Optional Activity	Sundowner Drive (Subject to Availability)
Included Highlight	Kruger Park Full-Day Game Drive in 4x4 Vehicles

Day 19 – Panorama Route

We set out a little later today and travel the short distance to the Panorama Route. Strung along the escarpment that divides the central plateau and low-lying bushveld of the Kruger, the sights of the Panorama Route offer us a day of scenic delights. We will visit the highlights of Bourke's Luck Potholes, the Three Rondavels and God's Window before returning to camp in the late afternoon. This evening there is an opportunity for the optional Sundowner Drive.

Accommodation	Nkambeni Reserve http://www.nkambeni.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Permanent tent with en-suite bathroom Camping: Campsite with Shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Panorama Route – Bourke's Luck Potholes, Three Rondavels and God's Window
Optional Activity	Sundowner Drive (Subject to Availability)

Day 20 – Johannesburg

We enjoy our last drive through the park before setting off for Johannesburg. We arrive in Johannesburg in the late afternoon, where your tour ends upon arrival.

Accommodation	Own Arrangements / Post tour accommodation can be booked through Nomad.
Route	Greater Kruger National Park to Johannesburg
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch
Included Highlight	Morning Game Drive in Nomad Truck