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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 <u>PRE DEPARTURE INFORMATION</u> 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

PCR Testing / Requirements

All guests participating in this tour will be required to produce a **valid negative PCR test** or undertake a PCR test, prior to departure (regardless of vaccination status, for all countries visited on this tour).

- Nomad will not permit any antigen/antibody testing to be undertaken at any border crossing.
- All costs associated with PCR testing will be for the guests' own account.

Namibia (This tour begins in Namibia)

Although Namibia requires the PCR test to be valid for 72 hours from the date of test up to arrival in Namibia.

- This tour crosses the Border into Botswana on day 1 of this tour, at approximately midday (12h00). It is therefore your responsibility to ensure that your PCR test, you used to gain entry into Namibia is still valid.
- There are no testing opportunities on the morning of departure.

Botswana (This tour crosses the border into Botswana on day 1 of the itinerary)

Botswana requires a valid PCR test of no more than 72 hours, which means all guests are required to complete the PCR testing in Windhoek, Namibia as stated above.

- All guests will be required to test in the town of Kasane (day 5). The test will be done onsite at our overnight accommodation by a certified company.
- The cost of the PCR test ±BWP950 (Botswana Pula) will be payable in cash or by credit card at the time of the test being administered. Please ensure your credit card is in working order or you have the correct cash in Botswana Pula currency.

Zimbabwe (This tour crosses the border into Zimbabwe on day 7 of the itinerary)

All guests entering Zimbabwe are required to product a negative PCR test valid no more than 48 hours. All guests will be taken to a PCR testing station in Kasane, prior to entering Zimbabwe.

- On leaving Zimbabwe, you will be required to present a negative PCR test, issued no more than 48 hours prior to boarding your flight. This is a requirement by the Zimbabwean authorities.
- No testing support will be offered/arranged for guests upon arrival in Victoria Falls by Nomad, however, you can liaise with the front desk team at Shearwater Explorers Village for further assistance, based on your exit date. Cost is ±USD70pp. Shearwater Explorers Village will assist in contacting the Lancet Lab and a nurse will be sent at the next available time slot to administer the PCR test.
- We strongly suggest that you liaise with the front desk as soon as you have check into the establishment.

Nomad does not take any responsibility for PCR testing results. Nomad is acting as a facilitator to assist our guests to help obtain a test and all tests are undertaken by independent laboratories. In the event of a positive test result being received by a guest – the guest will be asked to sign off of the tour and undertake self-isolation at his/her own expense. All arrangements of self-isolation will be made by the guest.

Due to additional measures put in place for PCR testing, it is possible that additional delays at border crossings will be experienced and that itinerary items will be offered earlier or later. We ask for your understanding as these delays are beyond our control.

Tour departure point

Please ensure you arrive at the departure point at least <u>30 minutes before</u> the scheduled departure time <u>07:00am</u> Heja Game Lodge,

Windhoek, Namibia

Tel: +264 61 257151 or 257152

www.hejalodge.com

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Tour ending point

Shearwater Explorers Village, Adam Stander Dr, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe Tel: +263 13 47362

http://explorersvillage.com/

Maximum Number of Passengers

24 (All protocols and government regulations in terms of carrying capacity will be adhered to at the time of travel)

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

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.

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.

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, bottled water, soft drinks, tips) / entrance fees (associated with optional activities / souvenirs / activity packages and optional activities.

Countries Visited

Namibia, Botswana, Zimbabwe

Onward Travel

This tour can be linked with a number of our other routes, including East Africa, Mozambique, Zimbabwe or if you are looking for an affordable way to reach Johannesburg, please consider our **2-day transit**, **Victoria Falls to Johannesburg**. Our 2-day transit departs from Victoria Falls travels south via Francistown (Botswana) and onto South Africa, arriving in the late afternoon on day 2. 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 - Botswana - Ghanzi

Today we travel east to neighbouring Botswana and the Kalahari Desert. Starkly different to the Namib Desert after which Namibia is named, the Kalahari is no less dramatic and covers over 900 000 square kilometres. The San people have long been associated with this harsh environment and this tonight we enjoy a dance evening that provides an insight into their culture of song, dance and story-telling.

Accommodation Ghanzi Trail Blazers http://ghanzitrailblazers.co.bw

Facilities Campsite with Shared Ablutions

 ${\it Please \ visit \ the \ website \ of \ the \ accommodation \ provider \ for \ a \ full \ list \ of \ the \ facilities \ offered.}$

Route Windhoek to Ghanzi
Meals Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight San Tribal dance in evening

Optional Activity

Border Post

San Guided Walk (could take place the next morning)

Namibia: Buitepos, Tel: +264 62 560401, Open: 07h00-24h00

Botswana: Mamanu, Tel: +267 (0) 659 2013/2064, Open: 07h00-24h00

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Day 2 - Greater Moremi Game Reserve Area

You will be separated from your Nomad truck for the next 2 nights and it is therefore important that you pack/gather your personal belongings which you may need, before we depart for Maun today as there is limited time in Maun for re-packing and storing. Please pack lightly and only take what you need for the following two nights. This morning we rise early and make our way towards Maun, where upon arrival in Maun you will have the opportunity to go on an optional scenic flight over the Delta (time and weather permitting). After your optional flight, you will be collected from Maun and will be transferred to the Greater Moremi Game Reserve Area in smaller safari type vehicles. This evening our guide will prepare us on what to expect for our mokoro excursion into the Okavango Delta and our game drive in Moremi Game Reserve.

AccommodationSouth Gate Camp (no website available)FacilitiesCampsite with Shared AblutionsRouteGhanzi via Maun to Moremi South Gate

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Optional Activity Okavango Delta scenic flight

Day 3 - Greater Moremi Game Reserve Area

Heading out early, we transfer by safari vehicle, to the poling station, where we will meet the polers who will be escorting us into the Delta. The polers will steer us through the serene area of narrow, reed lined channels which open out onto beautiful lagoons. Reaching one of the many islands, a nature walk may be taken with your pole and after the walk, we return by mokoro through the channels back to the poling station. While the mokoro trail is not primarily a game viewing activity, a variety of game may be spotted in this pristine wilderness area, including elephant, giraffe, kudu, impala and zebra. After lunch, we will return to Moremi Game Reserve for our afternoon game drive which will be conducted in open 4x4 safari vehicles. The game viewing routes chosen during the afternoon by the professional guide may vary especially when high floods are experienced as certain roads may be closed or impassable.

Accommodation South Gate Camp (no website available)
Facilities Campsite with Shared Ablutions

Route Moremi South Gate - poling station - Okavango Delta - Moremi South Gate

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Okavango Delta Morning Mokoro Excursion / Moremi Game Reserve Afternoon Game Drive

Day 4 - Savuti Game Reserve

The Savuti Game Reserve is a unique area bordered by the Okavango Delta to west and Chobe National Park to the east. Savuti is renowned as a big game area and known for having the largest concentrations of wildlife in Southern Africa. Today we will spend most of our day travelling through the Savuti Game Reserve in search of the species that roam the plains. Offering habitats from wetland, open water to the grasslands and Savannah woodland, we hope to see as many species of fauna and flora possible. This afternoon we arrive on the banks of the Chobe River and will be re-united with our Nomad truck in the town of Kasane.

Accommodation Thebe River Safaris http://www.theberiversafaris.com

Facilities Campsite with Shared Ablutions

Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.

Route Moremi South Gate – via Savuti Game Reserve - Kasane

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Full Day Game Drive through Savuti Game Reserve in 4x4 safari vehicles

Day 5 - Chobe National Park

For those that opt to participate in the optional game drive in Chobe National Park, you will be collected early from camp and will venture out in open 4x4 safari type vehicles. You will return to camp in time for lunch and a quick siesta before we head out in the afternoon to explore the Chobe National Park from the river, enjoying a leisurely boat cruise which allows us an up close and personal experience with the many elephants that frequent the river in the afternoons.

Accommodation Thebe River Safaris http://www.theberiversafaris.com

Facilities Campsite with Shared Ablutions

Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities of fered.

Route Nata to Kasane

MealsBreakfast, Lunch, DinnerIncluded HighlightChobe National Park Boat CruiseOptional ActivityChobe National Park Game Drive

Day 6 - Zimbabwe -Victoria Falls

With the memories of our wildlife encounters firmly etched in our minds, we cross the border into Zimbabwe this morning and travel the short distance to Victoria Falls. Today you will have the opportunity to visit the spectacular Victoria Falls at your leisure, also known by the local name of "Mosi-oa Tunya" (the smoke that thunders). While much of today is dedicated to viewing the mighty Zambezi River as it drops into the Batoka Gorge below, the bustling adventure town of Victoria Falls also offers a range of optional activities for those wanting a dose of adrenaline in the afternoon. For the more relaxed traveller there are craft markets and coffee shops on offer as well.

Accommodation Shearwater Explorers Village http://explorersvillage.com/

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Facilities Campsite (pre-erected dome tent with camper beds) with Shared Ablutions

Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.

RouteKasane to Victoria FallsMealsBreakfast, Lunch, DinnerOptional ActivityVictoria Falls National Park Entry

Border Post Botswana: Kazangula Road, Tel: +267 62 50320 / Open: 06h00-20h00

Zimbabwe: Kzangula Road, Open: 06h00-20h00

Day 7 - Victoria Falls

Your tour comes to an end after breakfast and with the many activities on offer in Victoria Falls, today is the perfect day for the adventure that most suites your style. Whether rafting the mighty Zambezi River or enjoying a flight over the Falls, this is your day to enjoy the many attractions on offer in Victoria Falls.

Accommodation Own Arrangements / Post tour accommodation can be booked through Nomad.

Meals Breakfast

Optional Activity Zambezi Sunset Cruise, Bungee Jump, Helicopter Flights, White Water Rafting

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