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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.

<http://nomadtours.co.za/media/Pre-Departure-Information.pdf>

Activity Package

This is an optional payment that covers what we consider to be 'essential activities' on our tours. Ideally we would include all of these, but not everyone can afford this. This payment is 100% transparent and is listed below. The Activity Package must be pre-booked along with your tour booking. We cannot always guarantee availability of the activities if you only book on the morning of your tour departing.

Activity	Price
Afternoon game drive Hwange National Park	R1 300
Afternoon game drive Matopos National Park	R1 420
Bazaruto Island day excursion	R 1 200
4x4 Game drive in Kruger National Park	R 800
	R 4 720

This itinerary has been written with the Activity Package items included. If you wish to participate in all the activities listed, you will need to purchase the Activity Package.

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.

As the activities on your tour can be moved to any day during your tour, we also highly recommend that you book your flights to depart the day after the tour officially ends.

Your tour will be departing from the following location

7.00am Victoria Falls Rainbow Hotel – 278 Parkway Drive, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe – Tel: + 263 13 44583 / 42213-4
<http://www.victoria-falls-rainbow-hotel.com>

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

Your tour will be ending at the following location

Belvedere Estate corner George and Belvedere road, Glen Austin Midrand, Tel: 083 7415240 – www.belvedereestate.co.za

What's included

Accommodation, meals (Breakfast x 18 / Lunch x 13 / Dinner x 16) (unless otherwise specified, all meals are prepared and served at the Nomad truck), / qualified crew / 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) / entrance fees (associated with optional activities / souvenirs / activity packages and optional activities, tips.

Countries Visited

Zimbabwe, South Africa, Swaziland, Mozambique

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. After lunch we spend the afternoon exploring Hwange National Park in open game-viewing vehicles. Hwange is the largest of Zimbabwe's national parks and offers excellent opportunities for viewing the diversity of wildlife that calls the park home. We return to camp this evening and enjoy dinner around our campfire.

Accommodation	Gwango http://www.gwango.com or Hwange Main Camp http://zimparks.org
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
Activity Package	Afternoon Game Drive in Hwange National Park

Day 2 – Hwange National Park to 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	Traveller's Guest House http://www.travellerszim.net
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with Shared Ablutions Camping: Two per Room 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 to Matopos National Park
Activity Package	Afternoon game drive in Matopos National Park

Day 3 - 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	Matopos National Park to Great Zimbabwe Ruins
Included Highlight	Visit to the Great Zimbabwe Ruins

Day 4 - Tshipise

Leaving the sites of Zimbabwe behind we cross the Limpopo River and enter South Africa this afternoon. Our overnight stop allows us an opportunity to end the day with a swim in the hot springs of Tshipise.

Accommodation	Forever Tshipise Resort http://www.forevertshipise.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	Great Zimbabwe Ruins to Tshipise
Included Highlight	Hot Springs Tshipise
Border Post	Beitbridge Border Post +263 862 2303 / 2366 +27 (015) 530-0066 / 71 website: http://www.zimra.co.zw

Day 5 - Johannesburg

This morning we take the highway south to Johannesburg, we arrive at Belvedere Estate in the late afternoon and all travellers are invited to join us for a traditional meal tonight, this can be booked with your guide on the day before arrival. Many great tales are shared and tonight presents an opportunity to join fellow travellers in celebrating the many wonders of African travel.

Accommodation	Belvedere Estate www.belvedereestate.co.za
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	Tshipise to Johannesburg
Optional Activity	Traditional meal at Belvedere Estate

Day 6 – Johannesburg to Kruger National Park

**Please note that it is possible that your crew and truck will change today. Please report to the hotel reception to meet your crew for your 07:00 departure from Belvedere Estate.*

Leaving the city of Johannesburg behind us we make our way east through the coalfields of Mpumalanga. Our journey today follows in the footsteps of the old trade-routes to the Lowveld and the Kruger National Park. This afternoon there will be an opportunity to join optional Sundowner Drive, booking is essential and your guide can assist on departure this morning.

Accommodation	Nkambeni Safari Camp http://www.nkambeni.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per 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	Johannesburg to Kruger National Park
Optional Activity	Sundowner drive (Subject to Availability)

Day 7 – Kruger National Park

Rising early this morning we enter the Kruger National park for 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. Our activity package offers you the opportunity to explore the park in open game viewing vehicles, giving you access to areas our truck can't always go. This evening there is a second opportunity for the optional Sundowner Drive.

Accommodation	Nkambeni Safari Camp http://www.nkambeni.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per 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>
Activity Package	Full-Day Kruger Park Game Drive in 4x4 Vehicles
Included Highlight	Full-Day game drive in Nomad Truck in Kruger Park (clients not participating in the Activity Package)
Optional Activity	Sundowner drive (Subject to Availability)

Day 8 –Panorama Route

While those who elect to do the optional morning walk will have an earlier start, 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 offers us a day of scenic delights. We will visit God's Window, Bourke's Luck Potholes and the Three Rondavels before returning to camp in the late afternoon.

Accommodation	Nkambeni Safari Camp http://www.nkambeni.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per 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>
Activity Package	Morning guided bush walk
Included Highlight	The Panorama Route (God's Window, Bourke's Luck Potholes and Three Rondavels)
Optional Activity	Morning Bush Walk (Subject to Availability)

Day 9 – Kruger National Park to Swaziland

We set out early this morning as we re-enter the Kruger National Park. Our Nomad truck offers an excellent platform as we game drive our way to the south. Exiting the park in the afternoon, we cross the border into Swaziland and set up for the night.

Accommodation	Hlane http://www.biggameparks.org/hlane Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary http://www.mbuluzigamereserve.co.sz or Mbuluzi Game Lodge http://www.biggameparks.org/mlilwane/
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	Kruger National Park to Swaziland
Included Highlight	Kruger Game Drive in Nomad Truck
Border Post	South Africa: Mananga, Tel: +27 (0) 13 793 7075 Open: 07h00-18h00 Swaziland: Mananga, Tel: +268 323 2137, Open: 07h00-18h00

Day 10 - Swaziland

Our stay in Swaziland presents us with an opportunity to enjoy one of the optional morning game drive activities in Hlane Game Reserve. Hlane offers a selection of activities and the Rhino Game Drive is highly recommended. No visit to Swaziland would be complete without an introduction to the rich culture of the Swazi people, this afternoon we are invited by the Chief to visit his village and learn more about the traditions of this proud nation.

Accommodation	Hlane http://www.biggameparks.org/hlane Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary http://www.mbuluzigamereserve.co.sz or Mbuluzi Game Lodge http://www.biggameparks.org/mlilwane/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom

Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions

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

Included Highlight

Umphakatsi Cultural Experience

Optional Activity

Rhino Game Drive in Hlane Game Reserve

Day 11 – Swaziland to Maputo

With the beaches of the Indian Ocean beckoning we enter Mozambique and make our first stop in Maputo, the capital city offers a vibrant and eclectic mix of cultures. After checking-in at our hotel and enjoying a lunch out at a popular local restaurant, we explore the city sights on a walking tour with our guide. Maputo offers interesting and varied architecture and no visit to the city would be complete without a browse through a market. Tonight we eat out and get a chance to experience the night-life of this intriguing city.

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

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

Route

Swaziland to Maputo

Included Highlight

Explore Maputo on Foot (self-guided walk)

Optional Activity

Dinner out

Border Post

Swaziland: Lomahasha, Tel: +268 323 6026, Open: 07h00-20h00

Mozambique: Namaacha, Tel: not available, Open: 07h00-20h00

Day 12 - Inhambane – Barra Beach

Setting out for the Inhambane District we travel the northern road along the coast. While it is a long day on the road there is much to see as we pass the many villages and plantations of coconuts, cashews and sugar cane. Our journey will bring us to the palm lined beaches for two days of relaxation and ocean fun. Tonight we are welcomed with a traditional Mozambique dinner.

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)

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

Route

Maputo to Inhambane

Included Highlight

Traditional Mozambique dinner

Day 13 - 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)

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

Optional Activities

Ocean Safaris, Quad Biking, Scuba Diving, Snorkelling and more

Day 14 - 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)

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

Included Highlight

Visit to Tofo

Optional Activity

Ocean Safaris, Quad Biking, Scuba Diving, Snorkelling and more

Day 15 - Vilanculos

This morning we make a stop in Inhambane where you will have the opportunity to explore the market and the historic streets of this former slave trading port. For those who enjoy a good adventure, your guide will arrange one of the famous Dhow ferries to sail you across the bay. These sturdy old boats have plied the East Coast of Africa for centuries and the trip across the bay is a truly local experience. Should you prefer, you may remain with the truck for the trip to Maxixe on the far side of the bay. Reunited with our truck we travel north to our next stop at Vilanculos.

Accommodation

Golden Sands Apartments <http://www.solresortsonline.com>

Facilities

Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom

Camping:

(Group House) Shared ablutions

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

Route

Inhambane to Vilanculos

Day 16 - Bazaruto Excursion

We board a traditional Dhow this morning and set sail to the islands of the Bazaruto Archipelago, one of the largest Marine reserves in Southern Africa. We spend the day exploring the islands, 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	Golden Sands Apartments http://www.solresortsonline.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom
Camping:	(Group House) Shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Activity Package	Bazaruto Island day excursion (full day)

Day 17 - Xai Xai District

Well rested we set course for the Xai-Xai district, arriving in the late afternoon we have time for a walk on the beach or a sundowner to bid farewell to the Indian Ocean and the pristine beaches of Mozambique.

Accommodation	Sunset Beach Lodge http://www.sunsetbeachlodge.com/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Bazaruto to Xai Xai District

Day 18 – Malelane Region

Early risers can enjoy the sunrise on the beach this morning before we depart today. We pass through Maputo and continue to the border, returning to South Africa and our final night near the town Malelane.

Accommodation	Boulders Safari Lodge www.boulderssafari lodge.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per standard 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 District to Malelane
Border Post	Mozambique: Lebombo, Tel: +258 2155 0010, Open: 06h00-18h00 South Africa: Komatipoort, Tel: +27 (013) 793-7201, Open: 06h00-18h00

Day 19 - Johannesburg

Our final road trip takes us back to Johannesburg as we reflect on the wildlife and beaches that have filled our days. All travellers are invited to join us for a traditional meal tonight, this can be booked with your guide on the day before arrival. Many great tales are shared and tonight presents an opportunity to join fellow travellers in celebrating the many wonders of African travel.

Accommodation	Own Arrangements / Post tour accommodation can be booked through Nomad.
Route	Malelane to Johannesburg
Optional Activity	Traditional meal at Belvedere Estate

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