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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 Package (Camping clients)	Price
South Luangwa NP afternoon game drive	R 1 450
Mikumi NP game drive	R 1 500
Bush walk with San guides	R 110
Okavango Delta drive in excursion	R 5 040
Chobe National Park boat cruise	R 590
Chobe National Park game drive	R 590
Vic Falls National Park entry	R 540
	R 9 820

Activity Package (Accommodated clients)	Price
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Bush walk with San guides	R 110
Okavango Delta drive in excursion	R 13 900
Chobe National Park boat cruise	R 590
Chobe National Park game drive	R 590
Vic Falls National Park entry	R 540
	R 18 680

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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

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.

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.

Your tour will be departing from the following location

07:00am Kariakoo Hotel, Lumumba Road / Mahiwa Street, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, +255 22 2183100,

<http://www.sleepinshoteltz.com/en/kariakoo/index>

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, 83 Belvedere Road, Glen Austin Midrand,

Tel: 083 741 5240– www.belvedereestate.co.za

What's included

Accommodation, meals (Breakfast x 19 / Lunch x 18 / Dinner x 17) (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

Tanzania, Malawi, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Botswana, South Africa

TOUR ITINERARY

Day 1 - Mikumi

Leaving the coast behind us we travel inland and make our way to Mikumi where we stop for the night. Mikumi National Park ranks as the fourth largest park in Tanzania and forms part of a 75 000 square kilometre wilderness that centres on Selous, Africa's largest game reserve.

Accommodation	Asante Afrika Camp or similar. www.asanteafrikacamp.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with Shared Ablutions Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Dar es Salaam to Mikumi

Day 2 - Iringa

We rise early this morning and enjoy an extensive game drive in the Mikumi National Park. This afternoon we continue to the southern highlands of Tanzania and our final stop in Tanzania.

Accommodation	Kisolanza Farm or similar. http://www.kisolanza.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with Shared Ablutions Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Mikumi to Iringa
Activity Package	Mikumi National Park Game Drive

Day 3 – Lake Malawi

Leaving Tanzania behind, we descend the Great Rift Valley and cross the border into Malawi. Known as the “Warm Heart of Africa” the lakeside country is blessed with natural beauty and our destination tonight is the shores of Lake Malawi where we look forward to spending the next few days enjoying the attractions of the northern regions of the lake.

Accommodation	Maji Zuwa or similar. http://www.majizuwa.com/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with en-suite Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Iringa to Chilumba
Border Post	Malawi: Songwe (no telephone), Open: 06h00-18h00 Tanzania: Chi'zumulu, Tel: +265 15 357 207, Open: 06h00-18h00

Day 4 – Lake Malawi

This morning we visit the local village to get an insight into the way of Malawian life and after we head further south to our destination, located on the shores of Lake Malawi, for the next 3 nights.

Accommodation	Ngala Beach Lodge or similar. http://www.ngalabeach.com/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with Shared Ablutions Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Included Highlight	Village visit

Day 5 – Lake Malawi

Today offers a range of optional activities or simply a day at the beach. Snorkelling in the crystal waters offers the chance to see first-hand the brilliantly coloured tropical cichlids, tiny fish often found in colourful aquariums around the world.

Accommodation	Ngala Beach Lodge or similar. http://www.ngalabeach.com/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with Shared Ablutions Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>

Day 6 – Lake Malawi

This morning we make the short journey south to the Nkothakota region of the Lake Shore, here we spend a final evening on the shores of the lake.

Accommodation	Ngala Beach Lodge or similar. http://www.ngalabeach.com/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with Shared Ablutions Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Chilumba to Nkhotakota Region

Day 7 – South Luangwa

This morning we enjoy a final sunrise on the shores of Lake Malawi before setting off for Zambia and the South Luangwa National Park. After crossing the border into Zambia we make a short stop in Chipata before continuing to our camp on the banks of the Luangwa River. Having watched the sun rise over Lake Malawi in the morning we enjoy an equally spectacular sunset over the Luangwa River this evening.

Accommodation	Wildlife Camp or similar. http://www.wildlifecamp-zambia.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Permanent tent with Shared Ablutions Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Nkhotakota Region to South Luangwa National Park
Border	Zambia: Mwani Border / Tel: +260(0)21 138 1930 Malawi: Mchinji Border / Tel: +265 (0)12 42215

Day 8 – South Luangwa

South Luangwa National Park is a world-class safari destination and we have a full day to explore the park in search of the variety of wildlife found in the park. This morning you can partake in an optional morning safari or during the dry season (April to December) you can join one of the iconic walking safaris on offer in the park. This afternoon we will enjoy a Sunset Drive in the park, we split our time between day and night with a sundowner stop in between. The unique opportunity to explore the park at night gives us a chance to spot the elusive nocturnal species that are rarely seen in the day.

Accommodation	Wildlife Camp or similar. http://www.wildlifecamp-zambia.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Permanent tent with Shared Ablutions Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions
Activity Package	Sunset Game Drive in South Luangwa National Park
Optional Activity	Safari Walk (seasonal) or Morning Game Drive in South Luangwa

Day 9 - Petauke

Leaving the Luangwa Valley this morning we make a stop at Tribal Textiles. The Chipata area is a major producer of Cotton and this morning we get a taste of the creativity of the African culture. Those interested can enjoy a tour of their workshops (March to December) to see how these colourful fabrics are crafted. Our destination tonight is the small town of Petauke.

Accommodation	Chimwemwe Executive Lodge or similar. http://www.chimwemwelodge.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with Shared Ablutions Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	South Luangwa to Petauke
Included Highlight	Textile project visit (full tour available March to December)

Day 10 - Eureka

As an important link between Lusaka and neighbouring Malawi, the Great East Road winds through rural Zambia and we will cross the Luangwa River on our way to Lusaka. The route today is dotted with villages and subsistence farms, today's landscapes serve as a stark contrast to the developed countries so many of us call home.

Accommodation	Eureka Camp or similar. http://www.eurekacamp.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with Shared Ablutions Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Petauke to Lusaka

Day 11 – Victoria Falls

Crossing the Southern reaches of Zambia we make our way to the adventure town of Victoria Falls, this afternoon we get our first look at the mighty Victoria Falls. Crossing the bridge between Zambia and Zimbabwe we get a view of “Musi oa Tunya”, the Smoke that Thunders as the falls are known in the local language. Victoria Falls offers a host of optional activities and these can be booked on arrival in Victoria Falls.

Accommodation	Victoria Falls Rainbow Hotel or similar. http://www.victoria-falls-rainbow-hotel.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Room with En-suite Bathroom Camping: Two per Room with En-Suite Bathroom
Route	Lusaka to Victoria Falls

Day 12 - Victoria Falls

**Please note that it is possible that your crew and truck will change today. Please report to the hotel reception at 07:00 to meet your crew for a briefing on the activities for the day.*

Today we visit the spectacular Victoria Falls, 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 to explore and a delicious high tea is on offer at the Victoria Falls Hotel. Tonight we enjoy an optional dinner out, your guide will assist you to decide on the many options available.

Accommodation	Victoria Falls Rainbow Hotel or similar. http://www.victoria-falls-rainbow-hotel.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>
Activity Package	Victoria Falls National Park Entry Fee
Optional Activity	Bungee Jump, Gorge Swing, Sunset Cruise, Helicopter Flights, Boma Dinner Experience, Dinner Cruise and more

Day 13 - Victoria Falls to Kasane

After breakfast we travel the short distance to the Botswana border, crossing into Botswana we set up camp on the banks of the Chobe River. Lunch will be served from the truck and the afternoon is set aside for exploring the Chobe National Park. For those who have purchased the Activity Package we begin our exploration in 4x4 vehicles, which allows us an up close and personal experience with the many Elephants that frequent the Chobe riverfront in the afternoons. The afternoon ends with a leisurely Boat Cruise and a meal served around the campfire.

Accommodation	Thebe River Safaris or similar. http://www.theberiversafaris.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 Kasane
Activity Package	Chobe National Park Game Drive and Chobe National Park Boat Cruise
Border Post`	Zimbabwe: Kazangula Road, Open: 06h00-20h00 Botswana: Kazangula Road, Tel: +267 62 50330, Open: 06h00-20h00

Day 14 – Nata

Leaving Kasane early, we set off for Nata where we will overnight. Those who would like to can join an optional excursion to the Pans this afternoon. This evening we will prepare for our journey to Maun, packing smaller bags for our journey into the Okavango Delta.

Accommodation	Pelican Lodge or similar. http://www.pelicanlodge.co.bw/
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	Kasane to Nata

Day 15 - Okavango Delta

Our journey today takes us across the northern reaches of the Makgadigadi Pans and the road to Maun is lined with majestic examples of the iconic Baobab tree. Upon arrival in Maun, we say farewell to our truck and begin our Delta excursion. The seasonality of the flood waters lends the Delta its ever changing character and while water levels may fluctuate the tranquillity of this wilderness area remains constant.

During your time in the Delta, our camping and accommodated guests will be staying in different locations. If you have chosen the accommodated Okavango Delta excursion, you will be taken to the Maun airport to board your flight into the Okavango Delta. For those that have opted for the camping Okavango Delta excursion, you will be transferred into the Okavango Delta by means of land based transport.

Please be advised that clients who have not selected the Delta Activity Package will remain in Maun at the base camp with the truck for the next 2 nights, accommodated clients in en-suite rooms and camping clients in the campsite with shared ablutions. Meals are provided by the base camp and optional activities are available.

Route	Accommodated: Accommodated clients will board a flight at Maun airport and will fly into the Okavango Delta Camping: Camping clients will be transferred into the Okavango Delta by means of a land transfer
Accommodation	Accommodated: Mopiri or similar. http://www.mopiricamp.com/ Camping: Tswii Mekoro Trails or similar.

Activity Package *Accommodated:* Okavango Delta Excursion (including a flight into the Okavango Delta)
Camping: Okavango Delta Excursion (vehicle transfer)

Day 16 – Okavango Delta

A full day is set aside to enjoy the activities on offer in the Delta, while the programme of activities is flexible to accommodate the seasonal changes in water levels, you will have the opportunity to enjoy amongst other activities traditional mokoro rides and nature walks. The Okavango Delta is not only a natural wonder, but represents one of the last unspoilt wilderness areas in the world today.

Accommodation *Accommodated:* Mopiri or similar. <http://www.mopiricamp.com/>
Camping: Tswii Mekoro Trails or similar.

Activity Package Okavango Delta Excursion

Day 17 – Maun

Leaving the Delta behind us this morning we make our way to our overnight stop in the bustling town of Maun. This afternoon you may have the opportunity to participate in an optional scenic flight over the Okavango Delta (weather permitting). Re-united, we enjoy an evening together at the campfire reflecting on our Delta experiences.

Accommodation Sedia Hotel or similar. <http://www.sedia-hotel.com/>
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.

Route Okavango Delta to Maun

Optional Activity Scenic Flight over Okavango Delta

Day 18 – Maun to Central Kalahari

This morning presents the opportunity for an optional scenic flight over the Okavango Delta before we travel to the Ghanzi district in the central Kalahari and tonight we get a first-hand experience of the San culture, well known for its rich traditions of song, dance and story-telling.

Accommodation Dqae Qare San Lodge or similar. www.dqae.org
Facilities *Accommodated:* Two per Room with En-Suites Bathroom
Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions

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

Route Maun to Ghanzi

Included Highlight San Evening Dance Performance

Day 19 – Kalahari Region

We begin the day with a guided walk with our San guides who will introduce us to the many secrets of their survival in the Kalahari Desert. The nomadic San are hunter-gatherers that have passed down a rich knowledge of the plants and animals that play such an important part in their lifestyle. We carry some of this knowledge with us this afternoon as we travel south on the Trans-Kalahari highway to our overnight stop.

Accommodation: Kang Ultra Stop or similar. <http://www.kangultralodge.com>
Facilities: *Accommodated:* Two per Room with En-Suite Bathroom
Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions

Route Ghanzi to Kang

Activity Package Bush Walk with San Guides

Day 20 – Kang to Johannesburg

A long day awaits us as we continue our journey south to Johannesburg and South Africa. Leaving the Kalahari behind we cross the North-West Province, arriving at Belvedere Estate in the late afternoon. All travellers are invited to join us tonight for an optional traditional meal, 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. Your tour comes to an end upon arrival at Belvedere Estate.

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

Route Kang to Johannesburg

Optional Activity Traditional meal at Belvedere Estate

Border Post Botswana Pioneer Gate Tel: +267 533 3992, Open: 06h00 – 24h00

South Africa Skilpadshok Tel: +27 0800 00 7277, Open: 06h00 – 24h00

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