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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.**

<https://nomadtours.co.za/media/Pre-Departure-Information-2020.pdf>

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

Tour departure point

7.00am Shearwater Explorers Village, Adam Stander Dr,

Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Tel: +263 13 47362

<http://explorersvillage.com/>

Tour ending point

Belvedere Estate, 87 Belvedere Road,

Glen Austin, Midrand, South Africa

Tel: 083 741 5240

www.belvedereestate.co.za

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.

Belvedere Estate Boutique Hotel

Belvedere Estate is a gorgeous boutique guest lodge, modelled after a small Italian village. This gem in Midrand, Gauteng, is situated on two and a half acres of beautiful gardens with cobble paving and water fountains. The Main house overlooks the beautiful gardens. Breakfast, lunch and dinner can be served under the lapa, next to the pool and each room in the guest lodge is comfortable and cosy with a wood fire place and a kitchenette containing a microwave oven, fridge and all the comforts you would enjoy at home. Belvedere Estate is the official tour departure point and ending point for Nomad Africa Tours & Safaris, for Johannesburg.

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, Mozambique, Eswatini

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, Hwange Sundowner Drive

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 - 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 (Masvingo) to Tshipise
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Tshipise Hot Springs
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 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 is for celebrating the many wonders of African travel.

Accommodation	Belvedere Estate or similar www.belvedereestate.co.za
Facilities	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
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch
Optional Activity	Traditional meal at Belvedere Estate

Day 7 – Johannesburg to Kruger National Park

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 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>
Route	Johannesburg to Kruger National Park
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Optional Activity	Sundowner Drive (Subject to Availability)

Day 8 - 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.

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	Kruger Park Full-Day Game Drive in 4x4 Vehicles

Day 9 – 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 a second 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 10 – Maputo, Mozambique

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. 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 <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Kruger National Park to Maputo
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Maputo Walking Tour
Border Post	Mozambique: Lebombo, Tel: +258 2155 0010, Open: 06h00-18h00 South Africa: Komatipoort, Tel: +27 (013) 793-7201, Open: 06h00-18h00

Day 11 - 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.

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	Maputo to Inhambane
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 12 - 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 13 - 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 14 – 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. This 11th century city is surrounded by magnificent beaches and numerous coconut palms. This city was also well known as a major centre for ivory trade, as well as for whaling. Inhambane is located on a bay and you will have the chance to rest and have a drink at one of the many sidewalk cafes. After spending time in Inhambane, we travel north to our next stop at Vilanculos.

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	Inhambane to Vilanculos
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Explore Inhambane on foot (self-guided walk)

Day 15 - Bazaruto Archipelago 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	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	Bazaruto Island day excursion (full day)

Day 16 - 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	Vilanculos to Xai Xai District
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 17 – Hlane Game Reserve, Eswatini

We set out early this morning as we journey via Maputo and cross the border into Eswatini.

Accommodation	Hlane game reserve http://www.biggameparks.org/hlane
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 Eswatini
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Border Post	Mozambique: Namaacha, Tel: not available, Open: 07h00-20h00 Eswatini: Lomasha, Tel: +268 323 6026, Open: 07h00-20h00

Day 18 Eswatini

Our stay in Eswatini presents us with an opportunity to enjoy a morning game drive in Hlane Game Reserve, after which we depart Hlane and head to another great reserve of Eswatini, Mlilwane.

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	Hlane Game Reserve to Mlilwane Wildlife Sanctuary
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Rhino Game Drive in Hlane Game Reserve

Day 19 – 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 20 – Johannesburg

Our final road trip takes us back to Johannesburg as we reflect on the wildlife and beaches that have filled our days. 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 is for celebrating the many wonders of African travel.

Accommodation	Own Arrangements / Post tour accommodation can be booked through Nomad.
Route	Mlilwane to Johannesburg
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch
Optional Activity	Traditional meal at Belvedere Estate

