All information provided in this tour dossier is subject to change without prior notice. Changes would always be in consideration of your safety first and a better quality experience where possible. Overnight <u>accommodation stops can change without prior notification</u>, depending on road or weather conditions or any unforeseen circumstances. While every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the properties listed in this dossier, these are to be used as a <u>guideline only</u>. We recommend that you download the most up to date version of this tour dossier one week prior to your tour departure date, however, changes are possible within 7 days prior to your tour departure.

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

#### **Tour departure point**

Please ensure you arrive at the departure point at least 30 minutes before the scheduled departure time. **07:00am** Stay@Swakop, 173 Anton Lubowski Street Kramersdorf, Swakopmund, Namibia Tel: +264 81 634 5212, <u>https://www.stay-at-swakop.com/</u>

#### **Tour ending point**

Bayete Guest Lodge, Stand 584 Manyika Road, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe Tel: + 263 832 847 321 <u>https://www.thebayetecollection.com/bayete-guest-lodge/</u>

#### **Maximum Number of Passengers**

12

#### 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 2199If 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

Meals as outlined in the tour itinerary / accommodation / qualified crew / transport in a 12-seater 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

#### **Countries Visited**

Namibia, Botswana, Zimbabwe

#### 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.

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# **TOUR ITINERARY**

# Day 1 – Swakopmund to Brandberg

Our exploration of the desert begins with a trip up north, where the hot desert sands meet the cold waves of the Atlantic Ocean. We'll stop at seaside holiday town of Wlotskabaken for a photo opportunity before heading to the Lichen Fields for a viewing and talk by your guide on the Lichen Colonies. We then turn our attention to The Brandberg (Burning Mountains), which are regarded as the highest in Namibia and home to the famous White Lady, one of more than 45,000 rock paintings in the area. We will make the ±2-hour return hike to visit the painting that is said to be around 2,000 years old. (*Please be advised that this activity will take place either this evening or tomorrow morning early. The hike does traverse rough terrain along the gorge of the normally dry Tsisab River*).

Accommodation	Brandberg White Lady Lodge <a href="https://www.brandbergwllodge.com">https://www.brandbergwllodge.com</a> OR Brandberg Rest Camp
	https://www.brandbergrestcamp.com/ OR iGowati Country Hotel https://igowaticountryhotel.com/Facilities
	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom
Route	Swakopmund to Brandberg
Meals	Dinner
Included Highlight	Brandberg Hike with your Nomad Guide

#### Day 2 - Brandberg to Etosha National Park Area

With vast salt pans, savanna and woodland, Etosha is one of Africa's finest game parks. At 18 000 sq km, it is one of the biggest Parks in Southern Africa. Etosha means "great white area", which refers to the large dried pan in the middle of the Park. We will prepare ourselves for our visit into the park the following day.

Accommodation	Okaukuejo https://www.nwr.com.na/resorts/okaukuejo-resort_OR Taleni Etosha Village https://etosha-village.com/
	OR Etosha Safari Camp <u>https://store.gondwana-collection.com/accommodation/etosha-safari-camp</u> OR Omusati
	Lodge https://daosa.com.na/omusati-lodge/_OR_Mondjila Safari Camp https://www.mondjilasafaricamp.com/ OR
	Eldorado https://www.etoshaaccommodation.com/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom
	Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.
Route	Brandberg to Etosha National Park Area
Meals	Breakfast, Dinner

#### Day 3 - Etosha National Park

Etosha allows for a full day to continue our exploration of the park. No day on safari is ever the same and the suspense before that special sighting is the motivation that keeps our eyes wide open. We explore the edges of the Etosha Pan in search of the abundant wildlife that occur in the park.

Accommodation	Okaukuejo https://www.nwr.com.na/resorts/okaukuejo-resort_OR Taleni Etosha Village https://etosha-village.com/
	OR Etosha Safari Camp <u>https://store.gondwana-collection.com/accommodation/etosha-safari-camp</u> OR Omusati
	Lodge https://daosa.com.na/omusati-lodge/_OR_Mondjila Safari Camp https://www.mondjilasafaricamp.com/_OR
	Eldorado https://www.etoshaaccommodation.com/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom
	Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.
Route	Etosha National Park
Meals	Breakfast, Dinner
Pre-Bookable Optional	Full day 4x4 safari in Etosha National Park (Nomad truck drive will be forfeited) (min numbers may apply to activities)
Included Highlight	Full day game drive (in the Nomad truck)

#### Day 4 - Etosha National Park

This morning is free for you to relax around camp. After lunch, we will board our truck and enjoy an afternoon game drive as we head towards our next overnight camp.

Accommodation	Kupferquelle Resort <u>https://www.kupferquelle.com/</u>
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom
	Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.
Route	Etosha National Park
Meals	Breakfast, Dinner
Included Highlight	Afternoon Game Drive (in the Nomad truck)

#### Day 5 – Etosha to Divundu

We leave the white sands of Etosha behind and venture towards the Kavango River for our overnight stop in Divundu.

Accommodation	Mahangu http://www.mahangu.com.na/ OR Rainbow River Lodge https://www.rainbowriverlodgenamibia.com/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom
	Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.
Route	Etosha National Park to Divundu

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Breakfast, Dinner

# Day 6 – Divundu to Maun

Prior to departing for Maun, we enjoy a leisurely boat cruise on the beautiful Kavango River. We then cross the border into Botswana and head towards the gateway to the Okavango Delta, the town of Maun. We overnight in Maun before heading for our next adventure – The Okavango Delta.

Accommodation	Cresta Maun https://www.crestahotels.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maun OR Maun Lodge
	http://maunlodge.com/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom
	Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.
Route	Divundu to Maun
Meals	Breakfast
Included Highlight	Morning Boat Cruise
Border Post	Namibia: Mohembo Tel:, Open: 07h00-24h00
	Botswana: Mohembo, Tel:, Open: 07h00-24h00

# Day 7 – Khwai Conservation 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 Maun. Please pack lightly and only take what you need for the following two nights. Today we make our way towards the Okavango Delta. Early risers 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 Khwai Conservation area in smaller safari type vehicles. Our guide will prepare us on what to expect for our afternoon mokoro excursion into the Okavango Delta. (*Please note: It is possible that the mokoro activity could take place on an alternative day depending on the season*).

Accommodation	Khwai Tented Camp (no website available)
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per permanent tent with en-suite bathroom
Route	Maun to Khwai Conservation area
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Pre-Bookable Optional	Okavango Delta scenic flight
Included Highlight	Sunset Mokoro Excursion (could take place on an alternative day)

# Day 8 – Moremi Game Reserve

Today is a full day game drive as we spend most of our day on safari in the Moremi Game Reserve in search of the species that roam the plains. Expect some bumpy roads as we traverse this wilderness area in our 4x4 vehicles. 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 evening we arrive back at Khwai to share and compare all the amazing sightings while on safari.

Accommodation	Khwai Tented Camp (no website available)
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per permanent tent with en-suite bathroom
Route	Moremi Game Reserve
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Full Day Game Drive Moremi Game Reserve

#### Day 9 – Khwai to Nata

Today's journey from Khwai to Nata passes the Botswanan salt pans. You will pack up camp and depart at first light on the open 4x4 safari vehicles before meeting the Nomad truck in Maun. The scenic drive from Maun to Nata showcases some of Botswana's breathtaking landscapes and the rich cultural heritage. Keep an eye open as there is always a chance of a wildlife encounter or two before reaching your overnight destination in Nata.

Accommodation	Nata Lodge <a href="https://underonebotswanasky.com/nata-lodge/">https://elephant Sands Lodge</a> <a href="https://elephantsandsbotswana.business.site/?utm">https://elephantsandsbotswana.business.site/?utm</a> source=gmb&utm medium=referral OR Eco Lodge
	https://www.africanreservations.com/Eco-Lodge
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom
	Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.
Route	Khwai Conservation Area to Nata (long day)
Meals	Breakfast, Dinner
Included Highlight	Salt Pans viewpoint (seasonal access dependant)

# Day 10 – Nata to Kasane - Chobe National Park

We journey from the Kalahari sands of Nata to Kasane and arrive 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 OR Sandpiper Villas https://sandpipervillaschobe.com/ OR
	Kwalape Safari Lodge <u>https://kwalapesafarilodge.co.bw/</u>
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom

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	Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.
Route	Nata to Kasane
Meals	Breakfast, Dinner
Included Highlight	Chobe National Park Boat Cruise

# Day 11 - 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	Phezulu Guest Lodge <u>https://www.thebayetecollection.com/phezulu/</u> OR Bayete Guest Lodge <u>https://www.thebayetecollection.com/bayete-guest-lodge/</u> OR Nkosi Guest Lodge <u>https://www.thebayetecollection.com/nkosi/</u>
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom
	Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.
Route	Kasane to Victoria Falls
Meals	Breakfast
Pre-Bookable Optional	Chobe National Park Game Drive
Optional Activity	Victoria Falls National Park Entry
Border Post	Botswana: Kazangula Road, Tel: +267 62 50320 / Open: 06h00-20h00
	Zimbabwe: Kazangula Road, Open: 06h00-20h00

## Day 12 - 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.

AccommodationOwn Arrangements / Post tour accommodation can be booked through Nomad.MealsBreakfastPre-Bookable OptionalsHistorical Bridge Tour / Helicopter Flight over the Falls / Bungy Jumping / Bridge Swing / Simunye Theatre Show / Sunset<br/>Boat Cruise / Guided Tour of the Falls / Chobe Day Trip (min numbers may apply to activities)

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