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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

## Tour departure point

Please ensure you arrive at the departure point at least <u>30 minutes before</u> the scheduled departure time.

16:00pm Kariakoo Hotel, Lumumba Road / Mahiwa Street, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania,

Tel: +255 22 2183100, http://www.sleepinnhoteltz.com/en/kariakoo/index

#### Tour ending point

Victoria Falls Waterfront, Livingstone, Zambia

Tel: +260 973 403 270 https://safpar.com/lodges/victoria-falls-waterfront/

#### **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. 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, soft drinks) / entrance fees (associated with optional activities / souvenirs and optional activities, tips.

### **Countries Visited**

Tanzania, Malawi, Zambia

#### **Onward Travel**

This tour can be linked with a number of our other routes, including our 14-day Masai Mara & Gorillas tour 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.

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## **TOUR ITINERARY**



## Day 1 - Dar es Salaam

Today is your arrival day in Dar es Salaam and is free for you to explore the city. We recommend that you announce yourself to the crew at 16h00 at the Kariakoo Hotel who will sign you in and give you a short orientation of what to expect in the coming days.

Accommodation Kariakoo Sleep-Inn <a href="http://www.sleepinnhoteltz.com/en/kariakoo/index">http://www.sleepinnhoteltz.com/en/kariakoo/index</a>

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.

Meals No meal:

#### Day 2 - Mikumi

Leaving the coast behind us we travel inland and make our way to Mikumi where we stop for the next 2 nights. 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 Camp Bastian <a href="http://www.campbastian.com/">http://www.mantislodge.co.tz/</a>

**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 Dar es Salaam to Mikumi
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Optional Activity Mikumi Game Drive

#### Day 3 - Mikumi

Today you will have the opportunity to book additional safaris in Mikumi National Park or embark on a variety of cultural tours.

Accommodation Camp Bastian http://www.campbastian.com/ OR Mantis https://www.mantislodge.co.tz/

**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.

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Optional Activities Mikumi National Park Safaris / Cultural Tours

#### Day 4 - Iringa

The town of Iringa sits on a cliff overlooking the Ruaha River Valley. The town centre offers the visitor a view into the past with its German colonial buildings and a popular market. The Commonwealth War Graves Cemetery memorialises soldiers who died in local battles during WWI and WWII. Before reaching the town, we have a quick stop at the Baobab Valley, a mesmerizing landscape dotted with ancient, towering baobab trees that have stood the test of time. These iconic trees create a surreal and breath-taking scene, casting dramatic shadows against the African savannah, the perfect backdrop to stop for a group picture.

Accommodation Kisolanza Farm <a href="http://www.kisolanza.com">http://www.kisolanza.com</a>

Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions

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

Route Mikumi to Iringa
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

# Day 5 - Mbeya Region

This afternoon we will make a stop at a local coffee plantation where we have the opportunity to see the process of growing and harvesting coffee beans and will be able to sample some of the beans.

Accommodation Utengule Coffee Lodge <a href="https://www.utengule.com/">https://www.utengule.com/</a>
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 Iringa to Chilumba
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Activity Coffee Plantation Visit

# Day 6 - 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 Our destination tonight is the shores of Lake Malawi where we look forward to spending the night enjoying the attractions of the northern regions of the lake. 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.

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Accommodation Chitimba <a href="https://edpeeters.wixsite.com/chitimbacamp">https://edpeeters.wixsite.com/chitimbacamp</a>
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.

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Village Walk with Nomad Tour Leader

Border Post Tanzania (Kasumulu border): Chi'zumulu, Tel: +265 15 357 207, Open: 06h00-18h00

Malawi: Songwe (no telephone), Open: 06h00-18h00

#### Day 7 – Lake Malawi

This morning we board our truck and head further South of Lake Malawi. Our destination tonight is the shores of Lake Malawi. Stretching over 500km along the western boundary of Malawi, the lake is home to more species of fish than any other lake. We spend the night on the shores of this natural wonder.

Accommodation Ngala Beach Lodge <a href="http://www.ngalabeach.com/">http://www.ngalabeach.com/</a>
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 North Lake Malawi to Central Lake Malawi

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## Day 8 - Lake Malawi

Today is another day of leisure, relaxing at the lake. Use the time to read a book, soak up the sun or indulge in the many attractions that are on offer.

Accommodation Ngala Beach Lodge <a href="http://www.ngalabeach.com/">http://www.ngalabeach.com/</a>
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.

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### Day 9 - 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 <a href="http://www.wildlifecamp-zambia.com">http://www.wildlifecamp-zambia.com</a>
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** Lake Malawi to South Luangwa National Park

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Border** Zambia: Mwani Border / Tel: +260(0)21 138 1930

Malawi: Mchinji Border / Tel: +265 (0)12 42215

# Day 10 - 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, enjoying a sundowner on the way. 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 <a href="http://www.wildlifecamp-zambia.com">http://www.wildlifecamp-zambia.com</a>
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.

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Sunset Game Drive in South Luangwa National Park

Optional Activity Safari Walk (seasonal) or Morning Game Drive in South Luangwa

#### Day 11 - Petauke

Leaving the Luangwa Valley this morning, we make a stop at Mulberry Mongoose to view their local jewellery and curios, these accessories are hand crafted by local ladies from South Luangwa using organic materials originating from the African bush. The Chipata area is a major producer of cotton and we get a taste of the creativity of the African culture. Our destination tonight is the small town of Petauke.

Accommodation Chimwemwe Executive Lodge http://www.chimwemwelodge.com

**Facilities** Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom

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Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions

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

RouteSouth Luangwa to PetaukeMealsBreakfast, Lunch, DinnerIncluded HighlightMulberry Mongoose Curio Visit

## Day 12 - Lusaka

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 and the landscapes serve as a stark contrast to the developed countries, so many of us call home. We make a delightful stop at Luangwa Market, a bustling hub where local Zambian vendors showcase their wares. Among the treasures on display are masau and masaku, delectable fruits that are available year-round and renowned for their mouthwatering taste. In addition, other African curios catch our eye, from charming miniature hippos to intricately woven baskets and papyrus carpets, adding to the colourful tapestry of this vibrant marketplace.

Accommodation Eureka Camp <a href="http://www.eurekacamp.com">http://www.eurekacamp.com</a>

**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 Petauke to Lusaka

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Market visit

# Day 13 – Livingstone

Crossing the Southern reaches of Zambia we make our way to the adventure town of Livingstone located right on Victoria Falls. This afternoon you can get your first look at the mighty Victoria Falls, or as the Zambian locals call it, "Musi oa Tunya", the Smoke that Thunders as the falls are known in the local language. Livingstone offers a host of optional activities and these can be booked on arrival. Your tour comes to an end upon arrival in Livingstone.

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

**Route** Lusaka to Livingstone **Meals** Breakfast, Lunch

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