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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

#### **Pre-Tour Meet Up**

Join us for an optional pre-tour meet up from 17:00 to 19:00 the evening before departure, in the reception area of the Garden Court O.R. Tambo International Airport Hotel (official departure point). It's a great chance to meet your fellow travellers and our crew, ask any questions about the tour, and complete any last-minute paperwork in a relaxed setting. Attending will help you feel more prepared and connected before the adventure ahead. If you can't make it due to prior commitments, don't worry—the morning meeting on departure day will still be available to finalize everything.

### Tour departure point

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

07:00 am Garden Court O.R. Tambo International Airport, 2 Hulley Road Isando Ext. 3, Kempton Park, Gauteng, South Africa
Tel: +27 (0)11 392 1062 https://www.southernsun.com/garden-court-or-tambo-international-airport

### **Tour ending point**

Hotel Boulevard, Harry Thuku Rd, Kenya, Nairobi Tel: +254 722 200 755 https://www.hotelboulevard.co.ke/

## Gorilla Trekking Permit - USD865 - USD950

The cost of a permit to visit the gorillas is currently as above. Please check actual amount with us closer to departure. You will be pre-invoiced for this non-refundable amount.

## Chimp Trekking Permit - USD140 - USD240

The cost of a permit to visit the chimps is currently as above. This activity is regarded as an optional activity due to the location and logistics involved the day the chimps are visited. If you do not wish to participate in the chimp trekking, you will remain at the visitor's centre (limited facilities) for between 2 – 4 hours while the group participates in the activity. Please inform us if you do not wish to participate in this activity.

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

20

#### **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.

## 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.

#### What's included

Meals as outlined in the itinerary, 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.

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#### What's excluded

Items of a personal nature (snacks, alcohol, bottled water, soft drinks, tips) / entrance fees (associated with optional activities / souvenirs and optional activities.

#### **Countries Visited**

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

#### **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**

It is possible to join this tour in Maun on day 2 by booking an optional flight from Johannesburg to Maun. The first two days of the tour are focused on travel, with long scenic drives that allow you to relax and enjoy the journey at your own pace. These days are activity-free, offering a great opportunity to settle in, unwind, and prepare for the exciting adventures that lie ahead. Joining in Maun ensures you'll be fully refreshed and ready to dive into the heart of the tour with the group.

#### Day 1 – Johannesburg to Palapye

Leaving behind the city of Johannesburg, we travel through the North-West Province to the Botswana border. After completing border formalities we continue on the Trans-Kalahari highway to our overnight stop.

Accommodation Cresta Palapye <a href="https://www.crestahotels.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-botsalo">https://www.crestahotels.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-botsalo</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.

**Route** Johannesburg to Palapye

Meals Lunch, Dinner

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

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

### Day 2 - Palapye to Maun

Today we head north through the stark yet striking landscapes of the Central Kalahari desert towards the gateway of the Okavango Delta. Along the way, you'll pass by several smaller towns and villages, offering glimpses into everyday life in Botswana. A notable point of interest on our route is the Orapa Diamond Mine, an imposing testament to Botswana's mineral wealth. This mine, which is a collaborative venture between De Beers and the Botswana government, is counted among the world's most extensive diamond mines. It serves as a critical economic pillar, contributing considerably to Botswana's GDP and export earnings. Beyond Orapa, our journey skirts the southern end of the Makgadikgadi Pans National Park before reaching our overnight destination in Maun, so keep an eye out for an array of wildlife that moves between the watering holes.

Accommodation Cresta Maun <a href="https://www.crestahotels.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maun">https://www.crestahotels.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maun</a> OR Maun Lodge

https://maunlodge.com/

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** Palapye to Maun **Meals** Breakfast, Lunch

## Day 3 - 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 for Maun today as there is limited time in Maun for re-packing and storing. Please pack lightly and only take what you need for the following two nights. Accommodation in Khwai can best be described as a rustic style mobile fly camp. Your meru style tent is equipped with 2 single beds and adjoining en-suite amenities consisting of a bucket shower system and chemical toilet. 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 the following morning, depending on the season).

**Accommodation** Khwai Tented Camp (no website available)

**Facilities Accommodated**: Two per meru tent with en-suite bathroom

Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions

Route Maun to Khwai Conservation area

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Pre-Bookable Optional Okavango Delta scenic flight

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Included Highlight Sunset Mokoro Excursion (could take place the following morning)



### Day 4 - 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 meru tent with en-suite bathroom

Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions

Route Moremi Game Reserve

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Full Day Game Drive Moremi Game Drive

#### Day 5 – 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 near Nata.

Accommodation Elephant Sands No website available OR Nata Lodge <a href="https://underonebotswanasky.com/nata-lodge/">https://underonebotswanasky.com/nata-lodge/</a> OR Planet

Baobab <a href="https://planetbaobab.travel/">https://planetbaobab.travel/</a> OR Gweta Lodge <a href="https://gwetalodge.co.bw/">https://gwetalodge.co.bw/</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** Khwai Conservation Area to Nata (long day ±6-8 hours)

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Salt Pans viewpoint (seasonal access dependant)

# Day 6 - Nata to Kasane - Chobe National Park

This morning, we start our day early with a bush walk, giving us the chance to get up close to nature. It's a wonderful opportunity to see animal tracks and other subtle signs of the wilderness that are often hidden from view on a safari vehicle. Walk completed, we journey from 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 <a href="http://www.theberiversafaris.com">http://www.theberiversafaris.com</a> OR Kwalape Safari Lodge <a href="https://kwalapesafarilodge.co.bw/">https://kwalapesafarilodge.co.bw/</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 Nata to Kasane

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Morning Bush Walk / Chobe National Park Boat Cruise

## Day 7 - 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. This evening, you have the option to join the group for an optional dinner at a local restaurant, where you can enjoy a meal and reflect on the day's adventures. Your guide will arrange a booking for those who wish to participate.

Accommodation Phezulu <a href="https://www.thebayetecollection.com/phezulu/">https://www.thebayetecollection.com/phezulu/</a> OR Bayete

https://www.thebayetecollection.com/bayete-guest-lodge/ OR Shearwater Explores Village

http://explorersvillage.com/

**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** Kasane to Victoria Falls

Meals Breakfast

Pre-Bookable Optional Chobe National Park Game Drive Optional Activity Victoria Falls National Park Entry

Border Post Botswana: Kazungula Road, Tel: +267 62 50320 / Open: 06h00-20h00

Zimbabwe: Kazungula Road, Open: 06h00-20h00

Validity: 2025



## Day 8 - Victoria Falls / Livingstone

With the many activities on offer in Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe) and Livingstone (Zambia), 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. As your tour continues tomorrow from Livingstone, your accommodation for tonight has been booked in Livingstone. You can however spend the day in Victoria Falls and transfer over to Livingstone in the late afternoon. The transfer from Victoria Falls to Livingstone is included in your tour. You have the choice of booking a morning transfer (08:00) or afternoon transfer (16:00). Please indicate your preferred time with your booking agent and/or Nomad at the time of booking.

Accommodation Victoria Falls Waterfront, Livingstone, Zambia https://safpar.com/lodges/victoria-falls-waterfront/

**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 Breakfast

Pre-Bookable Optionals The following list of pre-bookable optional activities take place in the town of Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

 $Historical\ Bridge\ Tour\ /\ Helicopter\ Flight\ over\ the\ Falls\ /\ Bungy\ Jumping\ /\ Bridge\ Swing\ /\ Simunye\ Theatre\ Show\ /\ Sunset$ 

Boat Cruise / Guided Tour of the Falls / Chobe Day Trip (min numbers may apply to activities)

#### Day 9 - Lusaka

Setting off early from the Zambian side of Victoria Falls, we catch a last sighting of the mighty falls before we head off on a long day travelling. We get our first impressions of East Africa through the window of our truck: colourful markets, busy villages and rural scenes form the backdrop of our journey as we travel through Zambia. We enjoy a prepared meal on arrival as our guides brief us on the days ahead.

Accommodation Eureka Camp http://www.eurekacamp.com OR Pioneer Lodge https://www.pioneercampzambia.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 Livingstone to Lusaka

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## Day 10 - Petauke

This morning we drive through Zambia's busy capital Lusaka before turning east towards Petauke, our destination for the night. As an important link between Lusaka and neighbouring Malawi, the Great East Road winds through rural Zambia and we will cross the mighty Luangwa River along the way. Dotted with villages and subsistence farms, todays landscapes serve as a stark contrast to the developed countries so many of us call home.

Accommodation Chimwemwe Executive Lodge <a href="http://www.chimwemwelodge.com">http://www.chimwemwelodge.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 Lusaka to Petauke
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### **Day 11 - South Luangwa National Park**

We look forward to the tranquillity of South Luangwa and this morning we make our way to the banks of the Luangwa River. 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. One of the finest sunsets is surely that enjoyed on the banks of the Luangwa River, so grab a cold drink and watch the day fade away.

Accommodation Wildlife Camp http://www.wildlifecamp-zambia.com

Facilities Accommodated: Two per permanent tent 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 South Luangwa National Park

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight Mulberry Mongoose Curio Visit

# Day 12 - South Luangwa National Park

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 including a sundowner stop. 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 Permanent tent 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

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Included Highlight Sunset Game Drive in South Luangwa National Park

Pre-Bookable Activities Safari Walk (seasonal) / Morning Game Drive in South Luangwa / Mulberry Mongoose Jewellery Workshop

#### Day 13 - Lake Malawi

This morning we board our truck and set off for Malawi, the warm heart of Africa. Our destination tonight is the shores of Lake Malawi, the southernmost lake in the East African Rift system. As one of the ten largest lakes in the world, the lake stretches for over 500km along the western boundary of Malawi and is home to more species of fish than any other lake. We spend the night on the shores of the lake this natural wonder.

Accommodation Ngala Beach Lodge (No Website Available)

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** South Luangwa National Park to Lake Malawi

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Border Post** Zambia: Chipata / Nwami, Tel: + 265 622 1652, Open: 06h00-18h00

Malawi: Mchinji, Tel: +265 124 2217, Open: 06h00-18h00

#### Day 14 - Lake Malawi

Today is all about the lake and this day is set aside for you to relax at the lake. Use the time to read a book, soak up the sun or indulge in the many attractions that are on offer. If you wish, an optional hike can be done with a local guide to the nearby Dwanbazi Waterfall. Located a short 30-minute drive from Nglala Beach Hotel, the waterfall offers a breath-taking panorama from the summit. Depending on the weather, we may even have the opportunity to take a refreshing swim in the pristine waters surrounded by the lush greenery and natural splendour of the surrounding landscape.

Accommodation Ngala Beach Lodge (No Website Available)

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 Activity Waterfall Hike

#### Day 15 - Lake Malawi

Today we are back on the road for most of the day travelling further north and will overnight once again on the banks of Lake Malawi. This evening enjoy the sunset over the lake from the beach.

Accommodation Chitimba <a href="http://www.chitimba.com/">http://www.chitimba.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 Central Lake Malawi to North Lake Malawi

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### Day 16 - Mbeya

We depart this morning and continue north, heading for the Utengule Coffee Lodge where we will overnight.

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**: Shared bungalow with shared ablutions

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

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

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

# Day 17 - Tanzania – Iringa

Before heading to Iringa, 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. We then ascend the Great Rift Valley and make our way further into Tanzania.

**Accommodation** Kisolanza Farm (No Website Available)

**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 Northern Lake Malawi to Iringa
Included Highlight Morning Coffee Plantation Tour
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 18 - Mikumi

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This morning we complete our journey to the doorstep of Mikumi National Park. We have a quick stop at the Baobab Valley, Tanzania. 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. We then reach Mikumi, which ranks as the fourth largest park in Tanzania, but forms part of a 75 000 square kilometre wilderness that centres on Selous, Africa's largest game reserve. Today you will have the opportunity to book a game drive in Mikumi National Park.

Accommodation Camp Bastian <a href="http://www.campbastian.com/">http://www.campbastian.com/</a> OR Atupele Camp <a href="https://campatupele.com/">https://campatupele.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 Mikumi
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Optional Activity Mikumi Game Drive

### Day 19 - 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 Atupele Camp https://campatupele.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.

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Optional Activities Mikumi National Park Safaris / Cultural Tours

## Day 20 - Dar es Salaam / Bagamoyo

We overnight at our accommodation before an early start the following morning to catch our transport to Zanzibar Island.

Accommodation Golden Tulip Dar City Centre https://dar-city-center.goldentulip.com/en-us/#Contact%20&%20Location

OR FireFly Lodge <a href="https://www.fireflybagamoyo.com/">https://www.fireflybagamoyo.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** Mikumi to Dar es Salaam/Bagamoyo

Meals Breakfast, Lunch

# Day 21 – Stone Town (Zanzibar)

We head out early to catch our transport to Zanzibar Island. After arriving at the ferry port we make our way to our hotel located in Stone Town.

Accommodation Maru Maru Hotel <a href="https://www.spicepalacehotel.com/">www.marumaruzanzibar.com</a> OR Spice Palace <a href="https://www.spicepalacehotel.com/">https://www.spicepalacehotel.com/</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.

**Route** Dar es Salaam/Bagamoyo to Stone Town (Zanzibar)

Meals Breakfast

Included highlight Zanzibar Excursion

#### Day 22 – Zanzibar Beaches

Boasting a rich history this busy port was once a landmark on both the Slave and Spice trade routes. Our morning begins with a walking tour of Stone Town to discover the more well known landmarks, including the birthplace of Freddy Mercury. After our city tour, we travel by road to our base for the next 2 nights. Before our arrival, we will stop along the way to enjoy a guided walking spice tour, which passes through villages and spice plantations. You will be able to witness first-hand how spice farm workers climb the trees and seek out specific plants and will have the opportunity to purchase fresh spices directly from these farms.

Accommodation Zanzibar Bay <a href="https://www.hotelzanzibar.com/zanzibar-bay-resort/">https://www.hotelzanzibar.com/zanzibar-bay-resort/</a> OR Amaan Bungalows

https://www.hoteloceangroup.com/room-details.html OR Nungwi Garden Boutique Hotel

https://nungwigardenboutiquehotel.com/

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 Breakfast

Route Stone Town to Zanzibar Beaches
Included Highlight Stone Town walking city tour, Spice Tour

Day 23 - Zanzibar Beaches

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Today is a free day to enjoy some of the many attractions and activities on offer. Water sports are the order of the day. Whatever it is you chose to do today, you will have ample opportunity to create some island memories. Explore the many attractions on offer or simply relax on the beach and soak up the sun.

Accommodation Zanzibar Bay https://www.hotelzanzibar.com/zanzibar-bay-resort/ OR Amaan Bungalows

https://www.hoteloceangroup.com/room-details.html OR Nungwi Garden Boutique Hotel

https://nungwigardenboutiquehotel.com/

**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 **Breakfast** 

## Day 24 - Bagamoyo/Moshi

We bid farewell to the island, return to the mainland where we reunite with our truck and head to our overnight stop where we spend the night.

Accommodation FireFly Lodge https://www.fireflybagamoyo.com/ OR Weru Weru https://www.weruweruriverlodge.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 Zanzibar to Bagamoyo/Moshi

Meals Breakfast, Dinner

#### Day 25- Arusha

Heading north this morning we travel across the northern reaches of Tanzania, our destination tonight is the bustling town of Arusha. Northern Tanzania is home to the Serengeti, Ngorongoro and Kilimanjaro.

Accommodation Njiro Legacy www.njirolegacy.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 Bagamoyo/Moshi to Arusha Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### Day 26 - Karatu

Although it is short distance to Karatu, we will spend most of the day commuting closer to the Ngorongoro Crater. Before our arrival in Karatu, we will visit the Mto wa Mbu Market which is situated in the little village of Mto wa Mbu. Known for crops such as rice and their distinctive red bananas, the town sits on the main road that leads directly to the Serengeti National Park and the Ngorongoro Crater Conversation Area. Tonight, our guide will brief us on our 2-night excursion.

Accommodation Kudu Camp <a href="http://kuducamp.com/">http://kuducamp.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 Arusha to Karatu Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner **Included Highlight** Mto wa Mbu Market

# Day 27 - Ngorongoro Crater & Serengeti National Park (Seronera) Excursion

We rise early and will be collected from our camp and transferred to the Ngorongoro Crater in 4x4 safari type vehicles. We will spend the morning exploring the crater floor in search of the animals which roam the plains. In the afternoon, we will arrive at our camp in the Seronera region located in the heart of the Serengeti National Park. The camp is surrounded by spectacular views and abundant wildlife and this evening, while sipping on a cold beverage, we will enjoy the sights and sounds of nature passing right in front of your meru style tent.

Accommodation Seronera Private Tented Camp http://www.kanangaspecialtentedcamp.com/ OR Serengeti Wilderness Camp Central

https://serengetiwildernesscamps.com/camps/serengeti-wilderness-camp/

**Facilities** Accommodated: Two per permanent tent with en-suite bathroom

Camping: Two per permanent tent with en-suite bathroom

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

Route Karatu to Seronera via Ngorongoro Crater

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Included Highlight** 4x4 excursion to Ngorongoro Crater and afternoon drive into Seronera

### Day 28 - Serengeti

This morning we rise early to enjoy a full day's game drive through Serengeti National Park. Famous for the abundant wildlife that exists in the park, we will spend most of our day in search of the animals that reside here.

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Accommodation Seronera Private Tented Camp <a href="http://www.kanangaspecialtentedcamp.com/">http://www.kanangaspecialtentedcamp.com/</a> OR Seronera Private Tentedcamp.

https://serengetiwildernesscamps.com/camps/serengeti-wilderness-camp/

Facilities Accommodated: Two per permanent tent with en-suite bathroom

**Camping**: Two per permanent tent with en-suite bathroom

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

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Route Seronera

Included Highlight Full day game Drive through Seronera, Serengeti National Park

Pre-Bookable Activity Hot Air Balloon Safari

## Day 29 - Arusha

We depart the Serengeti National Park with amazing memories, and make the return journey to Arusha where we will spend the night reminiscing about our experiences of the Serengeti and Ngorongoro Crater.

Accommodation Njiro Legacy <u>www.njirolegacy.com</u>

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** Seronera (Serengeti National Park) to Arusha

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### Day 30 - Kenya - Nairobi

We cross the border into Kenya this morning and make our way to Nairobi where we will overnight. You will have the afternoon free to repack your bags in preparation for your excursion into the Masai Mara. The visit to the Masai Mara is operated in safari type vehicles and not the Nomad truck. For this reason, you are asked to pack a small overnight bag to travel with. You will need your towel, clothes, toiletries and camping essentials.

Accommodation Hotel Boulevard <u>www.hotelboulevard.co.ke/</u>

Facilities Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom

Camping: Two per room with en-suite bathroom

Route Arusha to Nairobi
Meals Breakfast, Lunch

**Border Post** Tanzania: Namanga, no telephone number, Open: 24hrs

Kenya: Namanga, Tel: +254 455 32002, Open: 24 hrs

# Day 31 - Masai Mara National Reserve

We leave the capital of Nairobi and travel to the Masai Mara, world renowned for its endless plains of wild animals and spectacular beauty. The visit to the Masai Mara is operated in safari type vehicles and not the Nomad truck. For this reason, you are asked to pack a small overnight bag to travel with. You will need your towel, clothes, toiletries and camping essentials.

Accommodation Masai Mara Excursion <a href="http://www.keniatours.com">http://www.keniatours.com</a>
Facilities Accommodated: Permanent tent with shared ablutions
Camping: Permanent tent with shared ablutions

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

Route Nairobi to Masai Mara
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight Masai Mara Excursion

# Day 32 - Masai Mara National Reserve

The rolling grasslands of the Masai Mara offer ideal game viewing and photographic opportunities. Some of the animals that could be found here include elephant, black rhino, buffalo, leopard, cheetah, wildebeest, zebra and gazelle. Hippo and crocodile abound in the muddy brown waters of the rivers, which traverse this reserve. Today we will spend the entire day game driving through the Mara in search of all the animals.

Accommodation Masai Mara Excursion <a href="http://www.keniatours.com">http://www.keniatours.com</a>
Facilities Accommodated: Permanent tent with shared ablutions
Camping: Permanent tent 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 Masai Mara Excursion

#### Day 33 - Lake Nakuru National Park

This morning we bid the Mara farewell before heading to Lake Nakuru National Park where we will enjoy an afternoon game drive through the park. Lake Nakuru is home to large flocks of flamingos and pelicans as well as black & white rhino, leopard, lion and numerous buck. Originally created as a bird sanctuary, Lake Nakuru was upgraded to National Park status in 1968.

AccommodationWaterbuck Hotel <a href="https://www.waterbuck.co.ke">https://www.waterbuck.co.ke</a>FacilitiesAccommodated: Two per room with en-suite

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Camping: Two per room with en-suite

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

**Route** Masai Mara Reserve to Lake Nakuru National Park

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight Lake Nakuru NP Game Drive

## Day 34 - Jinja

This morning we cross the border into Uganda and make our our way to Jinja. Jinja is Uganda's second largest city and most famous as the point where the Nile (officially the Victoria Nile) flows out of Lake Victoria and begins the 6695 kilometre journey to Egypt and the Mediterranean.

Accommodation Kalagala Falls Tented and Overland Camp <a href="http://adrift.ug/kalagala-falls-overland-camp">http://adrift.ug/kalagala-falls-overland-camp</a>

Facilities Accommodated: Two per room with shared ablutions

**Camping:** Campsite with shared ablutions

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

Route Lake Nakuru to Jinja Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Border Post Kenya: Busia +254 20 2649524; Open 24 hours Uganda: Busia; +256 414 423 2645; Open 24 hours

# Day 35 - Masindi - Murchison Falls National Park

After a quick stop in the city of Kampala, we head in the direction of The Murchison Falls National Park. Also referred to as the Kabaraga Falls, Murchison Falls is a waterfall found on the course of the great Nile and is located within the Murchison National Park. The park is recognized as one of the best National Parks in Uganda. After settling into our accommodation in Masindi, your guide will brief you on the activities for the following day.

Accommodation Kabalega Resort <a href="http://www.kabalegaresort.com/">http://www.kabalegaresort.com/</a>
Facilities Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite ablutions

**Camping**: Campsite with shared ablutions

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

Route Jinja to Masindi

MealsBreakfast, Lunch, DinnerOptional ActivityZiwa Rhino Walk

# Day 36 - Masindi - Budongo Central Forest Reserve

Budongo Forest is the biggest Mahogany forest found in the whole of East Africa and is home to the largest number of chimpanzees throughout Uganda. It is believed that there are between 600 – 700 chimpanzees in Budongo and this morning we will meet up with our chimp guide who will take us on our trek through the forest in search of the chimps. We will also enjoy a boat cruise in the park. Note: As the Chimp trekking is limited to 12 guests per trek, should there be more than 12 guests on a tour the trekking will be split between the morning and the afternoon. Therefore you may find that you will first do the boat cruise activity followed by the Chimp trekking or vice versa. Please allow for flexibility.

Accommodation Kabalega Resort <a href="http://www.kabalegaresort.com/">http://www.kabalegaresort.com/</a>
Facilities Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite ablutions

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 Nile River Cruise

Optional Activity: Chimp Trekking (compulsory)

#### Day 37 – Lake Kikorongo

This morning we depart Masindi and transfer towards the edges of the Queen Elizabeth National Park. Our accommodation for the night is nestled atop a hill overlooking Lake Kikorongo.

Accommodation Simba Safari Camp <a href="https://ugandalodges.com/simba/">https://ugandalodges.com/simba/</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 Masindi to Lake Kikorongo Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## Day 38 - Gorillas (Lake Bunyonyi)

Crossing the Equator once more we travel south to the beautiful scenery of Lake Bunyonyi. With eager anticipation we prepare for the upcoming Gorilla trekking excursion and tonight we will receive a briefing on what to expect.

Accommodation Lake Bunyonyi Overland Resort <a href="https://mbzgroup.africa/">https://mbzgroup.africa/</a>
Facilities Accommodated: Two per room with En-suite bathroom

Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions

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

**Route** Lake Kikorongo to Lake Bunyonyi

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### Day 39 - Gorillas (Lake Bunyonyi)

The mountain gorilla is extremely endangered and while exact numbers vary it is widely assumed that there are only around 650 left. Visiting the gorillas is a great way to support their future on earth as the money spent on permits is used for their protection. An extremely important part of the future conservation of the remaining gorillas rests in the community development work – as local communities change their attitudes towards wildlife and start to protect rather than poach, the future of the mountain gorilla is assured.

As permits granting permission to visit the gorillas are extremely limited we require flexibility in both the tour itinerary and where we actually visit them. The home of the mountain gorillas is completely at odds with man-made borders and so their range encompasses Uganda, Rwanda and the DRC (Democratic Republic of the Congo). Whenever possible we choose to make use of the National Park in Uganda, but this depends on the availability of permits. Should we not obtain permits to visit the mountain gorillas in Uganda then we will inform all passengers beforehand that the tour will travel to Rwanda or DRC.

On your free day in Bunyonyi you will have the opportunity to participate in certain optional activities. You can also go hiking or explore the area on a mountain bike.

Accommodation Lake Bunyonyi Overland Resort <a href="https://mbzgroup.africa/">https://mbzgroup.africa/</a>
Facilities Accommodated: Two per room with En-suite bathroom

Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions

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Lake Bunyonyi National Park to the starting point of the gorilla trek (in safari or smaller vehicles)

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Pre-Bookable Optionals

Optional Activities

Gorilla Trekking, Golden Monkey Trekking
Rwanda Day Trip, Motor boat trips (Islands)

## Day 40 - Gorillas (Lake Bunyonyi)

Although there are 2 days allocated to Gorilla Trekking you will only spend one day on the trek. The other days are there to provide a large enough window in which to obtain permits and to allow the entire group to trek if there are more than 6 of you on the tour.

Accommodation Lake Bunyonyi Overland Resort <a href="https://mbzgroup.africa/">https://mbzgroup.africa/</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

Pre-Bookable Optionals Gorilla Trekking, Golden Monkey Trekking
Optional Activities Rwanda Day Trip, Motor boat trips (Islands)

## Day 41 - Lake Mburo

We depart the beautiful Lake Bunyonyi for another of Uganda's beautiful water bodies — Lake Mburo. Lake Mburo is situated in the Ankole subregion of Uganda, near the town of Mbarara, and spans an area of approximately 260 square kilometers and is surrounded by rolling hills, open grasslands, and patches of woodland. With over 350 recorded bird species, Lake Mburo National Park is a paradise for birdwatchers. The park's diverse ecosystems, which include acacia woodlands, savannahs, and wetlands, provide optimal habitats for numerous bird species, including the rare and odd looking shoebill stork.

Accommodation Leopard Rest <a href="http://www.leopardrestcamp.com/">http://www.leopardrestcamp.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 Bunyonyi to Mburo
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Pre-Bookable Optionals Various walk (birdwatching, sundowner), National Park Boat Ride, National Park Biking Safari, National Park Night

Game Drive

#### Day 42 - Jinja

This morning we leave the Ankole region and set off on our return journey to Jinja. Jinja offers many exciting optional activities which are focussed around the waters of the Nile and these include rafting, kayaking and a variety of cruises on Africa's largest river. While those who may be less inclined to water sports can enjoy horse riding or a quadbike adventure on dry land.

Accommodation Kalagala Falls Tented and Overland Camp <a href="http://adrift.ug/kalagala-falls-overland-camp">http://adrift.ug/kalagala-falls-overland-camp</a>

Facilities Accommodated: Two per room with shared ablutions

Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions

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

**Route** Mburo to Jinja

MealsBreakfast, Lunch, DinnerIncluded HighlightCrossing of the Equator

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**Pre-Bookable Optionals** Whitewater rafting, bungee jumping, river bugging, Source of the Nile cruise



# Day 43 - Jinja

Jinja offers many optional activities for the adventurous and for the not so adventurous. While most of today is at leisure, your guide will assist you to plan for this day as in the afternoon, we will enjoy an included river cruise together, watching the sun as it sets over the shores of Lake Victoria and the River Nile.

Accommodation Kalagala Falls Tented and Overland Camp <a href="http://adrift.ug/kalagala-falls-overland-camp">http://adrift.ug/kalagala-falls-overland-camp</a>

Facilities Accommodated: Two per room with shared ablutions

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 Activity Source of the Nile River Cruise

Pre-Bookable Optionals Whitewater rafting, bungee jumping, river bugging

## Day 44 - Kenya - Eldoret

Returning to Kenya we visit Eldoret, the country's 5th largest city. The Great Rift Valley is still the dominant geographical feature of this region and the altitude at Eldoret is 2100 metres above sea level.

Accommodation Naiberi River Camp <a href="http://www.naiberi.com">http://www.naiberi.com</a>

Facilities Accommodated: Two per room with shared ablutions

Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions

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

Route Jinja to Eldoret

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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Uganda: Malaba; +256 779 201 347; Open 24 hours

# Day 45 - Nairobi

Returning to Nairobi this afternoon we reflect on many memories that we have gathered together and brace ourselves for a return to the busy streets of Nairobi. Your tour ends upon arrival in Nairobi.

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

Route Eldoret to Nairobi Meals Breakfast, Lunch