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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 DoubleTree by Hilton 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.

**08:00am** DoubleTree by Hilton Cape Town – Upper Eastside

31 Brickfield Road, Woodstock, Cape Town

Tel: +27 (0)21 404 0570, https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/cptuedi-doubletree-cape-town-upper-eastside/

#### **Tour ending point**

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

## **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

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.

#### What's excluded

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

#### **Countries Visited**

South Africa, Namibia, Botswana, Zimbabwe

## **Green Seats - Travel Responsibly in Africa**

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#### **TOUR ITINERARY**

### Day 1 - South Africa - Cederberg Region

Leaving Cape Town we make a last stop for a look back at Table Mountain from across Table Bay. No road trip is complete without a stop at a traditional "Padstal", these small farm stalls dot the byways of South Africa and offer a variety of homemade treats and bakes. The Cedarberg region not only boasts spectacular mountains and orange farms, but it is also the home of the Rooibos bush. Indigenous to the mountain slopes of the Cedarberg, this herbal beverage has earned an international reputation as a healthy and refreshing alternative to regular tea. A dinner at our overnight stop offers an opportunity for us to get acquainted while enjoying some South African hospitality.

Accommodation Marcuskraal <a href="http://www.marcuskraal.co.za/index1.html">http://www.marcuskraal.co.za/index1.html</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** Cape Town to Citrusdal

Meals Dinner

Included Highlight Traditional Dinner

## Day 2 - Namaqualand – Gariep (Orange) River

Namaqualand presents us with our first experience of the Desert vistas that will accompany us in the days ahead. We continue our journey north and after a short stop for supplies in Springbok, we travel to our camp on the banks of the Orange River. If you are fortunate enough to be travelling in the spring months (July to September) you may encounter the wild flowers that have made this region famous. No matter the time of year though, the strange desert vistas offer a unique backdrop to this day's travel.

Accommodation Felix Unite Cabanas <a href="http://www.felixunite.com/accommodation/cabanas">http://www.felixunite.com/accommodation/cabanas</a> OR Norotshama Resort

https://www.norotshamaresort.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** Citrusdal to Orange River **Meals** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Border Post** South Africa: Vioolsdrift, Tel: +27 (27) 277 618 760, Open 24 hours

Namibia: Noordoewer, Tel: +264 (0) 63 297 122, Open 24 hours

## Day 3 - Fish River Canyon

While the Orange River was named after the Dutch Royal House, in recent times it has been referred to by its original name of Gariep, which simply means "river" in the indigenous KhoeKhoe language. The best way to experience the river is by getting out on the water and this morning we have the opportunity to join an optional canoe trip on the river. Around midday (after lunch) we depart the Orange River and head inland to the Fish River Canyon, the longest river in Namibia and the largest Canyon in Africa. We will drive to the rim of the Fish River Canyon and have an opportunity to stretch our legs with a gentle walk along the rim of the canyon. Afterwards, we turn west and head for Keetmanshoop where we will overnight.

Accommodation Schutzenhaus Guesthouse <a href="http://www.schuetzenhaus-namibia.com/">http://www.schuetzenhaus-namibia.com/</a>

Facilities Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathrooms

Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions

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

**Route** Orange/Gariep River to Keetmanshoop

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlights Scenic walk along the rim of Fish River Canyon

Pre-Bookable Optional Orange River Canoe Trip

## Day 4 – Quiver Tree Forest, Giants Playground, Namib-Naukluft National Park

Our morning will be spent meandering through the Quiver Tree Forest and The Giants Playground – named for the way in which the massive dolerite boulders have been placed on each other - creating rock formations and a series of mazes. Every overland journey has some long travelling days and today is one of those as we venture deeper into the Namib Desert. Our destination is the dune fields that cover the western reaches of the desert. Long dusty roads and sparsely populated farmlands offer us an insight into the vastness of rural Namibia. From the grasslands in the east to the red dunes of the west the slowly changing landscapes represents the many faces of this desert country. We spend the next two nights on the doorstep of the dune fields and fall asleep to the unique calls of the elusive Barking Gecko.

Accommodation Hammerstein Lodge <a href="http://hammersteinlodge.com.na/">http://hammersteinlodge.com.na/</a> OR Weltevrede Guest Farm <a href="https://weltevredeguestfarm.com/">https://weltevredeguestfarm.com/</a>

OR Namib Desert Lodge <a href="https://store.gondwana-collection.com/accommodation/namib-desert-lodge">https://store.gondwana-collection.com/accommodation/namib-desert-lodge</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** Keetmanshoop to Namib Naukluft NP Area

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Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlights Quiver Tree Forest, Giants Playground



### Day 5 – Sossusvlei Dunes – Namib-Naukluft National Park

Today we will rise early for our drive to the Namib-Naukluft National Park. We will enter the park after sunrise and travel through to the famous Dune 45. A brisk climb up Dune 45 offers us the perfect vantage point to marvel at the changing colours of the desert. Once satisfied we descend this famous dune and enjoy a hearty breakfast before catching a 4x4 transfer into Sossusvlei, here we will spend time on foot visiting the pans at Sossusvlei and Deadvlei. Our desert exploration concludes with a visit to the Sesriem Canyon. Tonight we empty the red sand from our shoes and spend the night under the magnificent desert stars, knowing that we have spent a full-day enjoying the wonders of this harsh land

Accommodation Hammerstein Lodge <a href="https://weltevredeguestfarm.com/">https://weltevredeguestfarm.com/</a> OR Weltevrede Guest Farm <a href="https://weltevredeguestfarm.com/">https://weltevredeguestfarm.com/</a>

OR Namib Desert Lodge <a href="https://store.gondwana-collection.com/accommodation/namib-desert-lodge">https://store.gondwana-collection.com/accommodation/namib-desert-lodge</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 Hike up Dune 45, 4x4 shuttle to Sossusvlei / Deadvlei / Sesriem Canyon

### Day 6 - Namib-Naukluft Desert

We enjoy a leisurely morning before setting off for our final day in the desert. Along the way, we stop in the charming town of Solitaire to savour its famous apple pie—a local favourite. Later this afternoon, we embark on a fascinating desert excursion led by a local expert, for an enlightening desert excursion.

Accommodation Boesman's Camp <a href="https://www.bushmansdesertcamp-sossus.com/">https://www.bushmansdesertcamp-sossus.com/</a> OR Solitaire Roadhouse

https://www.solitairenamibia.com/#roadhouse, OR Weltevrede Guest Farm https://weltevredeguestfarm.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

Included Highlight Guided desert walk with local expert (this activity could take place the following morning)

## Day 7 - Swakopmund

As you bid farewell to the breathtaking Namib, we pause at the Tropic of Capricorn for a memorable photo opportunity. Having taken in the wonders of the Namib Desert we turn west and head to our next destination, the bustling coastal town of Swakopmund where adventure awaits along with a welcome touch of civilization. Upon arriving in Swakopmund, we will be presented with the opportunity to book any number of thrilling adventures available. Tonight we'll enjoy an optional dinner out at a local restaurant.

Accommodation Haus Garnison <a href="http://hausgarnison.com/">http://hausgarnison.com/</a> OR Amanpuri Travellers Lodge <a href="http://www.amanpurinamibia.com">http://hausgarnison.com/</a> OR Ocean

House https://daosa.com.na/ocean-house/

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** Namib Naukluft National Park to Swakopmund

Meals Breakfast, Lunch
Included Highlight Tropic of Capricorn

### Day 8 - Swakopmund

While for many it is the adrenaline fuelled adventures that will grab their attention, Swakopmund offers all that and more. Take the opportunity today to explore the town at your leisure, as there are a number of attractions for every taste. Not to be missed is the selection of famed coffee shops and bakeries that offer a delightful range of German inspired treats. Swakopmund offers all the conveniences of a small city and is the perfect launching pad for the journey through the northern reaches of the land.

Accommodation Haus Garnison <a href="http://hausgarnison.com/">http://hausgarnison.com/</a> OR Amanpuri Travellers Lodge <a href="http://www.amanpurinamibia.com">http://hausgarnison.com/</a> OR Ocean

House <a href="https://daosa.com.na/ocean-house/">https://daosa.com.na/ocean-house/</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 Breakfast

**Pre-Bookable Optionals** Swakopmund Quadbiking / Dolphin Catamaran Cruise / Living Dunes Tour / Sandwich Harbour Dune Drive / Skeleton

Coast Cape Cross / Spitzkoppe Adventure Drive (min numbers may apply to activities)

## Day 9 – Swakopmund to Brandberg

Our exploration of the desert continues 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).

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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

Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions

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

Route Swakopmund to Brandberg
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Brandberg Hike with your Nomad Guide

### Day 10 - 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 <a href="https://www.nwr.com.na/resorts/okaukuejo-resort">https://www.nwr.com.na/resorts/okaukuejo-resort</a> OR Taleni Etosha Village <a href="https://etosha-village.com/">https://etosha-village.com/</a>

OR Etosha Safari Camp <a href="https://store.gondwana-collection.com/accommodation/etosha-safari-camp">https://store.gondwana-collection.com/accommodation/etosha-safari-camp</a> OR

Omusati Lodge https://daosa.com.na/omusati-lodge/ OR Mondjila Safari Camp https://www.mondjilasafaricamp.com/

OR Eldorado <a href="https://www.etoshaaccommodation.com/">https://www.etoshaaccommodation.com/</a> **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** Brandberg to Etosha National Park Area

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### Day 11 - 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 <a href="https://www.nwr.com.na/resorts/okaukuejo-resort">https://www.nwr.com.na/resorts/okaukuejo-resort</a> OR Taleni Etosha Village <a href="https://etosha-village.com/">https://etosha-village.com/</a>

OR Etosha Safari Camp https://store.gondwana-collection.com/accommodation/etosha-safari-camp OR

Omusati Lodge https://daosa.com.na/omusati-lodge/ OR Mondjila Safari Camp https://www.mondjilasafaricamp.com/

OR Eldorado <a href="https://www.etoshaaccommodation.com/">https://www.etoshaaccommodation.com/</a> **Accommodated:** Two per room with en-suite bathroom

Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions

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Route Etosha National Park
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, 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 12 - Etosha National Park

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

Accommodation Kupferquelle resort <a href="https://www.kupferquelle.com/">https://www.kupferquelle.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 Etosha National Park
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Afternoon Game Drive (in the Nomad truck)

### Day 13 - Etosha Area to Divundu

We leave the white sands of Etosha behind and journey toward the Kavango River, entering the Kavango-Zambezi Transfrontier Conservation Area. Spanning five countries, including parts of our route through Botswana and Zimbabwe, one of the world's largest protected areas, supporting diverse wildlife and ecosystems. Our overnight stop in Divundu offers a glimpse into this rich natural haven.

Accommodation Mahangu <a href="https://www.rainbowriverlodgenamibia.com/">https://www.rainbowriverlodgenamibia.com/</a> OR Rainbow River Lodge <a href="https://www.rainbowriverlodgenamibia.com/">https://www.rainbowriverlodgenamibia.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 Etosha National Park to Divundu Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## Day 14 - 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.

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Accommodation Creta Maun <a href="https://www.crestahotels.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maun">https://www.crestahotels.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maun</a> OR Maun Lodge <a href="https://maunlodge.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maun">https://maunlodge.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maun</a> OR Maun Lodge <a href="https://maunlodge.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maun]>https://maunlodge.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maunlodge.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maunlodge.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maunlodge.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maunlodge.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maunlodge.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maunlodge.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maunlodge.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maunlodge.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maunlodge.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maunlodge.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maunlodge.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maunlodge.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-maunlodge.com/hotels/botswana/cresta-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 Divundu to Maun
Meals Breakfast, Lunch
Included Highlight Morning Boat Cruise

Border Post Namibia: Mohembo Tel:, Open: 07h00-24h00 Botswana: Mohembo, Tel:, Open: 07h00-24h00

### Day 15 – 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. 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 on an alternative day 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

MealsBreakfast, Lunch, DinnerPre-Bookable OptionalOkavango Delta scenic flight

Included Highlight Sunset Mokoro Excursion (could take place on an alternative day)

## Day 16 - 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 Reserve

### Day 17 – 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://underonebotswanasky.com/nata-lodge/</a> OR Elephant Sands Lodge

https://elephantsandsbotswana.business.site/?utm\_source=gmb&utm\_medium=referral\_OR\_Eco\_Lodge

https://www.africanreservations.com/Eco-Lodge

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)

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Salt Pans viewpoint (seasonal access dependant)

## Day 18 - 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 <a href="http://www.theberiversafaris.com">http://www.theberiversafaris.com</a> Or Kwalape Safari 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** Nata to Kasane

MealsBreakfast, Lunch, DinnerIncluded HighlightChobe National Park Boat Cruise

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### Day 19 - 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 Shearwater Explorers Village <a href="http://explorersvillage.com/">http://explorersvillage.com/</a> OR Bayete Guest Lodge

https://www.thebayetecollection.com/bayete-guest-lodge/

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, Lunch

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 20 - Victoria Falls

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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. This evening, you are welcome to join your crew for an optional pre-tour meet up from 17:00 to 19:00, in the reception area of the Shearwater Explorers Village (official departure point for your departure tomorrow). It's a great chance to meet your fellow travellers and our crew, ask any questions about the tour, and complete any additional paperwork. If you can't make it, don't worry – the morning meeting will still be available.

Accommodation Shearwater Explorers Village <a href="http://explorersvillage.com/">http://explorersvillage.com/</a> OR Bayete Guest Lodge

https://www.thebayetecollection.com/bayete-guest-lodge/ OR Phezulu

https://www.thebayetecollection.com/phezulu/ OR Victoria Falls Rainbow Hotel

https://rtgafrica.com/victoria-falls-rainbow-hotel/ **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 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 21 - 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 <a href="http://zimparks.org">http://zimparks.org</a> OR Miombo Safari <a href="https://miombosafari.com">https://miombosafari.com</a> OR Gwango Elephant 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** Victoria Falls to Hwange National Park

MealsBreakfast, Lunch, DinnerIncluded HighlightHwange Painted Dog Centre

### Day 22 - 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 Miombo Safari <a href="https://miombosafari.com">https://miombosafari.com</a> OR Hwange Main Camp <a href="https://zimparks.org">https://zimparks.org</a> OR Gwango Elephant 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 Hwange National Park
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Full day Hwange National Park game drive

Validity: 2025



### Day 23 – 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 <a href="http://www.banfflodgehotel.com/">http://www.banfflodgehotel.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 Hwange National Park to Bulawayo to Matopos National Park

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Afternoon game drive in Matopos National Park

### Day 24 - 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 Clevers Lakeview Resort - Masvingo https://clevershotelsandresorts.com/business-units/clevers-lakeview-resort/

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 (Bulawayo) Matopos National Park to Great Zimbabwe Ruins (Masvingo)

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Visit to the Great Zimbabwe Ruins

### Day 25 - Mapesu Private Game Reserve

Leaving the sites of Zimbabwe behind we cross the Limpopo River and enter South Africa this afternoon.

Accommodation Mapesu Wilderness Camp <a href="https://mapesu.com/accommodation-wilderness-tented-camp/">https://mapesu.com/accommodation-wilderness-tented-camp/</a> OR Thipise Forever Resorts

https://www.forevertshipise.co.za/

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 Great Zimbabwe Ruins (Masvingo) to Mapesu Private Game Reserve

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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## Day 26 - Johannesburg

This morning we take the highway south to Johannesburg, we arrive in Johannesburg in the late afternoon were your tour ends upon arrival.

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

**Route** Mapesu Private Game Reserve to Johannesburg

Meals Breakfast, Lunch