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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

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

#### Tour departure point

<u>07:00am</u> Victoria Falls Waterfront, Livingstone, Zambia

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

#### Tour ending point

Kariakoo Hotel, Lumumba Road / Mahiwa Street, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, Tel: +255 22 2183100, http://www.sleepinnhoteltz.com/en/kariakoo/index

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

### **Countries Visited**

Zambia, Malawi, Tanzania

#### **Onward Travel**

This tour can be linked with a number of our other tours that cover Namibia, Botswana and the Masai Mara & Gorillas. 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 - 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 <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 Livingstone to Lusaka
Meals Lunch, Dinner

### Day 2 - 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. 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 mouth-watering 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 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

Included Highlight Market visit

#### **Day 3 - 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

 ${\it Please \ visit \ the \ website \ of \ the \ accommodation \ provider \ for \ a \ full \ list \ of \ the \ facilities \ offered.}$ 

**Route** Petauke to South Luangwa National Park

MealsBreakfast, Lunch, DinnerIncluded HighlightMulberry Mongoose Curio Visit

### Day 4 - 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

Included Highlight Sunset Game Drive in South Luangwa National Park

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

#### Day 5 - 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.

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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** 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 6 - 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 <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

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Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Optional Activity Waterfall Hike

#### Day 7 - 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. Our Nomad guide will lead us on a village walk through a nearby village in the afternoon. After the walk, enjoy the sunset over the lake from the beach.

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.

**Route** Central Lake Malawi to North Lake Malawi

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Village Walk with Nomad Tour Leader

## Day 8 - 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

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**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 9 - 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 <a href="http://www.kisolanza.com">http://www.kisolanza.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 Northern Lake Malawi to Iringa
Included Highlight Morning Coffee Plantation Tour
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### Day 10 - Mikumi

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

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**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 11 - 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 12 - Dar es Salaam

Tonight we head towards the bustling city of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania's largest and busiest city. We overnight in Dar es Salaam and enjoy an optional meal out in the city to mark our final night of tour.

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.

Route Mikumi to Dar es Salaam

Meals Breakfast, Lunch

### Day 13 - Dar es Salaam

Enjoy breakfast with your group before you bid your fellow travellers farewell. Your tour comes to an end after breakfast this morning.

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

Meals Breakfast

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