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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

As your tour spends the day in the town of Victoria Falls on day 1, you are free to participate in the various activities available or explore the town. Please ensure that you report to Shearwater Explorers Village at the specified time below to meet with your crew.

Tour departure point

17:00pm Shearwater Explorers Village, Adam Stander Dr, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Tel: +263 13 47362 http://explorersvillage.com/

Tour ending point

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/

Maximum Number of Passengers

20

After hours emergency contact

Our reservations staff are available to receive emergency calls. We would like to request that you respect this emergency number and use it only in the event of emergencies. Please only contact this number if, for example, you have missed your incoming flight, you cannot find your airport transfer or you are running late for your tour departure.

If calling from outside South Africa:

0027 82 578 2199

If calling within South Africa:

082 578 2199

Arrival / Departure

Please be sure to arrive 1 day before your tour is due to depart. This will avoid any unforeseen problems. We also highly recommend that you book your flights to depart the day after the tour officially ends to allow for delays and changes.

Pre and Post Tour Accommodation

If you require accommodation before or after your tour we can arrange this for you. We can also arrange airport transfers – contact your travel agent or Nomad to make these bookings.

What's included

All meals which are prepared and served at the Nomad truck / accommodation / qualified crew / filtered water / transport in the Nomad truck / included highlights as per the itinerary / entrance fees to National Parks.

What's excluded

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

Countries Visited

Zimbabwe, Botswana, Namibia, South Africa

Onward Travel

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.

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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 - Victoria Falls

Today is your arrival day in the town of Victoria Falls, home to the spectacular Victoria Falls. The bustling adventure town of Victoria Falls also offers a range of optional activities for those wanting a dose of adrenaline. If you wish to participate in the various activities available, please visit the offices of Shearwater, our preferred supplier (https://www.shearwatervictoriafalls.com/experience/, to book your activities. For the more relaxed traveller there are craft markets to explore and a delicious high tea is on offer at the Victoria Falls Hotel. You will meet your crew in the reception area of Shearwater at 17:00pm

Accommodation Shearwater Explorers Village http://explorersvillage.com/ **Facilities** Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom

> Camping: Campsite (pre-erected dome tent with camper beds) with shared ablutions Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.

Meals No meals

Optional Activity Visit the falls, bungee jump, gorge swing, sunset cruise, helicopter flights, boma dinner experience, dinner cruise

Day 2 - Victoria Falls – Kasane - Chobe National Park

This morning you will have the opportunity to participate in the many optional activities on offer in the town of Victoria Falls. After lunch, we travel the short distance to the Botswana border, crossing into Botswana and will arrive at our accommodation in the late afternoon, to set up camp on the banks of the Chobe River.

Thebe River Safaris http://www.theberiversafaris.com Accommodation **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 Kasane Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Optional Activity Visit the falls, bungee jump, gorge swing, helicopter flights

Included Highlight Afternoon Boat Cruise

Border Post Zimbabwe: Kazangula Road, Open: 06h00-20h00

Botswana: Kazangula Road, Tel: +267 62 50330, Open: 06h00-20h00

Day 3 – Kasane to Nata

We leave the banks of the Chobe River, and head south into the Kalahari Desert. You'll notice the 'bushveld' change as you get closer to Nata, our overnight stop close to Botswana's famous salt pans. This afternoon, after our arrival in Nata, we enjoy a guided drive to the Nata pans, which forms the breeding ground for a host of water birds including pelicans and flamingo in their thousands (birds dependant on seasonal migratory patterns).

Accommodation Nata Lodge https://underonebotswanasky.com/nata-lodge/ OR Elephant Sands Lodge

https://elephantsandsbotswana.business.site/?utm_source=gmb&utm_medium=referral

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.

Chobe to Nata Route **Included Highlight** Afternoon Pans Drive Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4 - Khwai Conservation Area

You will be separated from your Nomad truck for the next 2 nights and it is therefore important that you pack/qather your personal belongings which you may need, before we depart camp today. Please pack lightly and only take what you need for the following two nights. Today we make our way towards the Okavango Delta. Upon arrival in Maun, you 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 4x4 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 permanent tent with en-suite bathroom

Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions

Route Nata to Khwai Conservation Area Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner **Optional Activity** Okavango Delta scenic flight

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

Day 5 - 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

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and Savannah woodland, we hope to see as many species of fauna and flora possible. This evening we arrive back at Khwai to share and compare all the amazing sightings while on safari.

Accommodation Khwai Tented Camp (no website available)

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

Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions

Route Moremi Game Reserve

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Full Day Game Drive Moremi Game Reserve

Day 6 - Khwai to Maun

We will depart early this morning in our 4x4 vehicles and make our way back to Maun, where we will overnight, before heading for our next adventure in Namibia.

Accommodation Sedia https://sedia-hotel.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 Khwai to Maun

Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 7 - Maun to Divundu

We start early this morning as we continue north-west and cross the border into Namibia, venturing towards the Kavango River for our overnight stop in Divundu. We will stay at our lodge and enjoy a leisurely boat cruise on the beautiful Kavango River.

Accommodation Mahangu http://www.mahangu.com.na/ OR Shametu River Lodge https://shameturiverlodge.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 Maun to Divundu **Meals** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Evening Boat Cruise* (This activity could take place the following morning)

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

Botswana: Mohembo, Tel:, Open: 07h00-24h00

Day 8 - Divundu to Etosha

This morning we depart for the gates of Etosha National Park. 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 enter the park and travel the to our overnight rest camp for the night.

Accommodation Namutoni https://nwr.com.na/resorts/namutoni-resort OR Halali https://www.nwr.com.na/resorts/halali-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 Divundu to Etosha National Park
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 9 - Etosha National Park

We will head out of camp this morning to explore the surrounding plains in search of the many animal species that call Etosha home. After enjoying our lunch back at camp, you will have the afternoon at leisure.

Accommodation Okaukuejo https://nwr.com.na/resorts/okaukuejo-resort OR Etosha Village https://etosha-village.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.

RouteEtosha National ParkMealsBreakfast, Lunch, DinnerIncluded HighlightMorning Game Drive

Day 10 - Etosha National Park

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

Accommodation Okaukuejo https://nwr.com.na/resorts/okaukuejo-resort OR Etosha Village https://etosha-village.com/

Facilities 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
Included Highlight Full Day Game Drive



Day 11 - Etosha to Khorixas

This morning, we set off from Etosha National Park. After a final morning of exploration as we exit the park, we'll leave the park and head towards Khorixas in our Nomad Truck. Along the route, we'll stop by the Petrified Forest, a national monument featuring fossilized prehistoric tree trunks. These remnants were once massive trees carried down by a river and ultimately trapped in alluvial sands, thus becoming a fascinating piece of the past. Our final destination of the day is the enchanting Twyfelfontein Rock Engravings in the Kunene Region, where a local guide will escort us. This area, which was inhabited by the Khoi San for 6000 years, features one of the highest concentrations of rock petroglyphs in Africa. The ancient inhabitants used this site for shamanist rituals, resulting in the creation of 2500 rock paintings. After a full day of exploration, we'll end our day in Khorixas.

Accommodation Khorixas https://www.nwr.com.na/resorts/khorixas-camp OR iGowati https://igowaticountryhotel.com/

Facilities Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom

Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions

Route Etosha to Khorixas Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Morning game drive in Nomad vehicle, Petrified Forest, Twyfelfontein Rock Engravings (could happen following

morning)

Day 12 – Khorixas to Swakopmund

Today we depart Khorixas to where the hot desert sands meet the cool waves of the Atlantic. On our way, we'll make a stop at the renowned Seal Colony at Cape Cross, one of the largest of its kind in the world. Here, more than 200,000 Cape Fur Seals can be seen hugging the shore. The spot is also of historical significance as it marks the area where the first European explorer set foot on the Namibian coast in 1486. Diego Cao erected a cross here in honour of the king of Portugal at that time. (Please note that sometimes Cape Cross Colony may be inaccessible, which would prevent us from visiting the seals.) Our journey continues with a visit to the Lichen Fields. Your guide will give a captivating talk about the intricate Lichen Colonies that blanket the area. It's an exceptional opportunity for some unforgettable photographs. Our final stop before reaching Swakopmund is the seaside holiday town of Wlotskasbaken. This charming town offers a fantastic photo opportunity with its quaint houses and scenic views of the Atlantic Ocean. After capturing these memories, we'll complete the final leg of our trip and arrive in the beautiful coastal city of Swakopmund, ending an exciting day of exploration.

Accommodation Haus Garnison http://hausgarnison.com/ OR Amanpuri Travellers Lodge http://hausgarnison.com/ OR Amanpuri Travellers Lodge http://www.amanpurinamibia.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 Khorixas to Swakopmund Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Seal Colony at Cape Cross, Local Restaurant dinner

Day 13 –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 http://hausgarnison.com/ OR Amanpuri Travellers Lodge http://hausgarnison.com/ OR Amanpuri Travellers Lodge http://www.amanpurinamibia.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

Optional Activity Dolphin cruise, Skydiving, sandboarding, Quad biking

Day 14 - Swakopmund to Sesriem

Leaving behind the charms of Swakopmund we continue our journey to Southern Namibia and the Namib Desert. While bidding a reluctant farewell to the ocean, we make a stop to commemorate our crossing of the Tropic of Capricorn this morning before turning east towards the heart of the desert. This afternoon, we have the privilege of joining a local expert for an enlightening desert excursion. Our local guide will introduce us to the wonders of the desert environment – an amazing introduction to the Namib that is sure to get all your senses ready for the next few days. An early night is advisable as tomorrow will see us up as the dawn breaks, but tonight we spend the night under the magnificent desert stars, knowing that the next day holds more adventures among the red sand dunes.

Accommodation Boesman's Camp (No website available) OR Weltevrede Guest Farm https://weltevredeguestfarm.com/

Facilities Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom

Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions

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Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Tropic of Capricorn, Guided desert walk with local expert

Day 15 - 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 just 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. Tonight we camp on the doorstep of the dune fields, we'll empty the red sand from our shoes and fall asleep to the unique calls of the elusive Barking Gecko.

Accommodation Hammerstein Lodge https://weltevredeguestfarm.com/ 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 Hike up Dune 45, 4x4 shuttle to Sossusvlei / Deadvlei / Sesriem Canyon

Day 16 - Keetmanshoop

We will have a leisurely morning before we pack up and turn east and head for Keetmanshoop. Today we spend most of the day driving onto our next destination.

Accommodation Schuetzenhaus Guesthouse https://schuetzenhaus-namibia.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 Solitaire to Keetmanshoop Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 17 – Giants Playground/Quiver Tree Forest and Fish River Canyon

Contrary to belief, the quiver tree is not really a tree, but a plant that can grow to between 200 – 300 years old. Our exploration continues this morning with a visit to the Quiver Tree Forest and Giants Playgrounds, named for the way in which the massive dolerite boulders have been placed on each other- creating rock formations and a series of mazes. We board the truck and travel south on the gravel byways of Southern Namibia on route to Ais-Ais. Famed for its hot springs the resort and its hot pools are the perfect tonic to ease away the dust of the Namib. The Fish River Canyon is one of the largest in the world and this afternoon we take a walk along the rim of the canyon and end our day with a memorable view on the canyon edge.

Accommodation NWR: Ai-Ais http://www.nwr.com.na/index.php/resorts/ai-aishotsprings-spa OR Canyon Roadhouse

https://store.gondwana-collection.com/accommodation/canyon-roadhouse

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 Ai-Ais
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Included Highlight Quiver Tree Forest and Visit Giants Playground / Visit to the Fish River Canyon / Ais-Ais Hot Springs

Day 18 - Orange River

As dawn breaks we head out making our way to the Orange River and our final stop in Namibia. Our last night in Namibia is spent on the banks of the Orange River and the best way to experience the Orange River is by canoe. This afternoon you will have the opportunity to partake in an optional canoe trip on the river.

Accommodation Felix Unite Cabanas http://www.felixunite.com/accommodation namibia/group camping

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 Ai-Ais to Orange River
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Optional Activity Half-Day Canoe Trip

Day 19 - Orange River - Cederberg

A final border crossing sees us enter South Africa this morning as we travel through the desert landscapes of Namaqualand on our way to the Cederberg region. 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. Tonight we enjoy a traditional meal and celebrate the many memories we have made.

Accommodation Marcuskraal http://www.marcuskraal.co.za/index1.html
Facilities Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom

Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions

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Route Orange River to Citrusdal
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight Traditional Dinner

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

South Africa: Vioolsdrift, Tel: +27 (27) 761 8760, Open 24 hours

Day 20 - Cederberg - Cape Town

The Cederberg 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. The Cederberg region is known for its mountain fynbos and spectacular views of the rugged Cedarberg Mountains. Nearing Cape Town, you will notice Table Mountain appear in the distance and we will stop to look at Table Mountain from across Table Bay. Your tour ends upon arrival in Cape Town city centre.

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

Route Citrusdal to Cape Town **Meals** Breakfast, Lunch

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