31 Days Southern Splendor Deluxe










WINDHOEK


NAMIBRAND NATURE RESERVE


SWAKOPMUND


ONGUMA GAME RESERVE


CAPE TOWN


HERMANUS


GEORGE


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ADDO ELEPHANT NATIONAL PARK

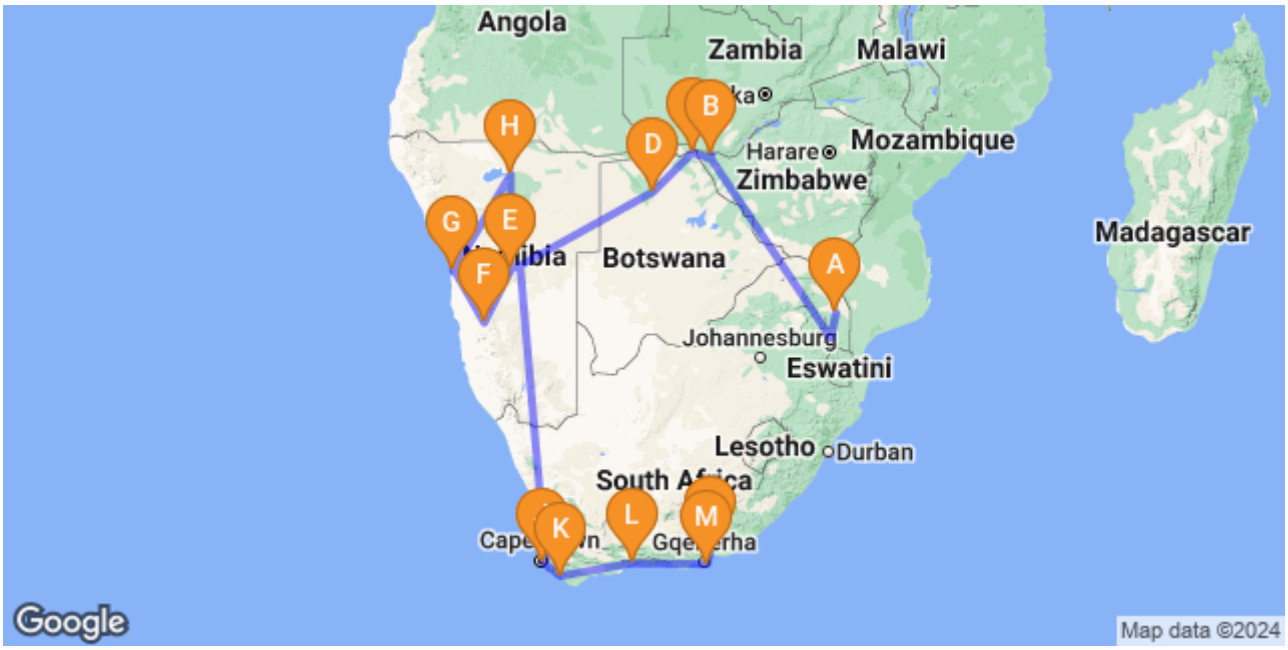
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Ngala Private Game Reserve - Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe) - Chobe National Park - Okavango Delta - Windhoek - NamibRand Nature Reserve - Swakopmund - Onguma Game Reserve - Cape Town - Hermanus - George - Port Elizabeth - Addo Elephant National Park

31 Days / 30 Nights

Group Size: 2

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Introduction

Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
andBeyond Ngala Safari Lodge	Ngala Private Game Reserve	FB+	**4 Nights**
Ilala Lodge Hotel	Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe)	FB+	**3 Nights**
andBeyond Chobe Under Canvas	Chobe National Park	FB+	**2 Nights**
andBeyond Sandibe Okavango Safari Lodge	Okavango Delta	B&B	**2 Nights**
Hotel Heinitzburg	Windhoek	FB+	**1 Night**
andBeyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge	NamibRand Nature Reserve	FB+	**2 Nights**
Strand Hotel Swakopmund	Swakopmund	FB+	**2 Nights**
Onguma The Fort	Onguma Game Reserve	FB+	**3 Nights**
Hotel Heinitzburg	Windhoek	HB	**1 Night**
One&Only Cape Town	Cape Town	B&B	**4 Nights**
The Marine	Hermanus	B&B	**1 Night**
Fancourt Hotel	George	FB	**1 Night**
Radisson Blu Port Elizabeth	Port Elizabeth	D,B&B	**1 Night**
Gorah Elephant Camp	Addo Elephant National Park	B&B	**3 Nights**

Key
HB: Half Board - Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
B&B: Bed and Breakfast
D,B&B: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
FB: Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch
FB+: Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities

Price

Upon Enquiry.

Included

- All accommodation as per itinerary
- All meals as per itinerary
- All internal flights as per itinerary
- Drinks as shown
- Services of a Guide from Cape Town To Addo

- All transfers
- Entrance fees
- Activities as per itinerary

Excluded

- Flights, airport taxes and visas (where applicable) and not specifically mentioned as included
- Conservation fees / Entrance fees not mentioned as included
- Meals not specified
- All drinks
- Porterage and gratuity fees
- Optional activities
- Car-hire additional charges (where applicable to self-drive itineraries)
- Items of a personal nature e.g. laundry, mini-bar, etc.
- Other expenses not specifically mentioned in the quote
- Laundry

Day 1: andBeyond Ngala Safari Lodge, Ngala Private Game Reserve

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Ngala Private Game Reserve

Boasting an unfenced boundary with the renowned Kruger National Park, Ngala Private Game Reserve is an exquisite wildlife sanctuary that offers an intimate game-viewing experience. Visitors can encounter magnificent creatures such as elephants, leopards, spotted hyenas, giraffes, large buffalo herds, and white rhinos. Expert ranger and tracker teams lead thrilling game drives, employing sensitive off-roading practices that ensure up-close encounters with the mesmerizing wildlife. For a more immersive experience, walking safaris and bush walks are also offered, allowing guests to appreciate the smaller details of the ecosystem. To complete the adventure, Ngala provides luxurious lodges that blend seamlessly with the natural surroundings, providing a tranquil and comfortable retreat after thrilling days spent in the heart of the African wilderness.

Day Itinerary

Arrival at OR Tambo International Airport:

As you step off the plane, you're greeted by the warm African sun kissing your skin, accompanied by a gentle breeze carrying the scents of the savanna.

Take a deep breath and inhale the earthy fragrance of the African soil, mingled with hints of wild grasses and blooming flora.

The rhythmic beat of African drums welcomes you, setting the tone for an adventure filled with excitement and discovery.

Check-in for Charter Flight:

Head to the charter flight check-in counter, where friendly staff assist you with boarding passes and luggage, their voices infused with the melodic tones of African languages.

As you wait to board, admire the vibrant tapestry of colours adorning the airport, from traditional African fabrics to intricately carved wooden sculptures.

Midday:

Charter Flight to Ngala Safari Lodge:

Board the charter flight and settle into your seats, feeling the anticipation mount as you prepare to journey into the heart of the African wilderness.

Through the windows, gaze in awe at the sprawling landscapes unfolding below, a patchwork of golden plains, winding rivers, and dense forests teeming with life.

As you approach Ngala Safari Lodge, the pilot's voice crackles over the intercom, announcing your arrival at this haven of natural beauty.

Afternoon:

Arrival at Ngala Safari Lodge:

Disembark from the plane and step onto the tarmac, where the warm embrace of the African sun envelops you, accompanied by the symphony of birdsong and rustling leaves.

Take a moment to absorb the sights and sounds of Ngala Safari Lodge, surrounded by towering trees and the gentle trickle of water from nearby streams.

Staff members welcome you with smiles as warm as the African sun, offering refreshing towels scented with hints of indigenous herbs and spices.

Lunch at Ngala Safari Lodge:

Sit down to a delectable lunch overlooking the savanna, where the aroma of grilled meats and exotic spices fills the air, tantalizing your taste buds.

Savor each bite as flavours burst on your palate, from succulent game meats to fresh, vibrant salads showcasing the bounty of the African land.

Wash it down with chilled beverages, the clinking of glasses accompanied by laughter and animated conversation.

Orientation and Relaxation:

After lunch, embark on an orientation tour of Ngala Safari Lodge, led by knowledgeable guides who share insights into the lodge's history, conservation efforts, and local wildlife.

Take time to unwind and rejuvenate, whether lounging by the pool, indulging in a spa treatment, or simply soaking in the natural beauty of your surroundings.

Evening:

Afternoon Safari Experience:

As the afternoon sun begins to wane, embark on your first safari adventure, traversing the rugged terrain in search of Africa's iconic wildlife.

Listen to the rhythmic thud of hooves as herds of antelope thunder across the plains, while the haunting call of a distant lion sends shivers down your spine.

Keep your eyes peeled for elusive predators lurking in the shadows, their golden coats blending seamlessly with the landscape as they stalk their prey.

Sundowner Delight:

Pause at a scenic viewpoint as the sun dips below the horizon, painting the sky in a palette of fiery hues that reflect off the tranquil waters of a nearby watering hole.

Sip on sundowner cocktails crafted with local spirits and exotic fruits, their flavours enhanced by the magic of the African sunset unfolding before you.

Raise your glasses in a toast to the wonders of nature and the adventures yet to come, surrounded by the beauty and majesty of the African wilderness.

Night Safari Thrills:

As darkness descends, embark on a night safari expedition, guided by the soft glow of lanterns and the keen eyes of your expert trackers.

Traverse the nocturnal landscape, illuminated by the twinkling of stars overhead and the mesmerizing dance of fireflies flitting through the night air.

Encounter a world transformed under the cover of darkness, where predators prowl and nocturnal creatures emerge from their daytime hideaways, their presence felt in the rustle of grass and the hoot of an owl.

Dinner under the Stars:

Return to Ngala Safari Lodge for a memorable dinner under a canopy of stars, where tables are set amidst the flickering glow of torches and lanterns.

Feast on a gourmet meal inspired by the flavours of Africa, from tender braised meats to zesty relishes and freshly baked breads, each dish a culinary masterpiece.

Engage in lively conversation with fellow travellers and guides, sharing stories of the day's adventures and marvelling at the beauty of the African night sky stretching out above you.

Overnight: andBeyond Ngala Safari Lodge

andBeyond Ngala Safari Lodge is situated in Ngala Private Game Reserve, which shares an unfenced boundary with the world-renowned Kruger National Park, South Africa’s largest wildlife sanctuary and one of the biggest game reserves in the world. A spectacular diversity of wildlife moves through this immense wilderness, including breeding herds of elephant, leopard, spotted hyena, giraffe, large buffalo herds and white rhino. With its name meaning lion in Shangaan, the local language, Ngala lives up to its promise, supporting several large prides of these powerful cats. African wild dog can also be spotted moving through the reserve.

Tucked under a canopy of mopane and tamboti trees, andBeyond Ngala Safari Lodge boasts 21 classic thatched cottages, including a spacious family suite. Each ensuite cottage, with private veranda, exudes a romantic colonial ambiance with nostalgic safari memorabilia throughout. The gracious family suite accommodates four guests and includes a private swimming pool and the use of a private vehicle. The Lodge’s sparkling swimming pool and sundeck overlook a natural riverine woodland, ideal for avid birdwatchers. Hearty breakfasts and delicious lunches are served in the dappled shade of an enormous weeping boerbean tree. Upon their return from exhilarating evening drives,

guests are welcomed by Ngala's warm, hospitable staff and a banquet set in the elegant candlelit courtyard or an African feast in the open-air traditional boma. The Lodge's spacious thatched bar, dining and sitting areas are open to the warm breezes of the inviting African bushveld.





Basis
Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities
All Local Brands (Spirits, Wine and Beers) Included

Day 2: andBeyond Ngala Safari Lodge, Ngala Private Game Reserve

Day Itinerary
Early Morning Game Drive:

Rise before the sun to meet your guide and tracker, anticipation building as you prepare for an unforgettable safari experience.

Step into the open safari vehicle, greeted by the crisp morning air carrying the scent of dew-drenched grass and the earthy aroma of the bush.

As the vehicle sets off into the pre-dawn darkness, listen to the chorus of birdsong welcoming the new day, punctuated by the occasional roar of a lion echoing in the distance.

Sunrise Spectacle:

Witness the African savanna come alive with the first light of dawn, bathing the landscape in a soft golden glow as the sun rises over the horizon.

Marvel at the kaleidoscope of colours painting the sky, from fiery oranges to pastel pinks, reflected in the still waters of watering holes and the dew-covered grass.

Morning:

Bush Breakfast:

Pause at a scenic spot to enjoy a bush breakfast, surrounded by the sights and sounds of the wilderness awakening to life.

Savor the flavours of freshly brewed coffee and hot tea, paired with an array of delectable breakfast treats, from freshly baked pastries to savoury omelettes cooked to perfection.

Guided Nature Walk:

Embark on a guided nature walk with your experienced ranger, venturing off the beaten path to explore the intricacies of the bush up close.

Feel the cool morning breeze on your skin as you stroll through the bush, accompanied by the rhythmic crunch of twigs and leaves underfoot.

Midday:

Lunch and Leisure Time:

Return to Ngala Safari Lodge for a leisurely lunch, where the aroma of grilled meats and exotic spices fills the air, tantalizing your taste buds.

Enjoy a leisurely afternoon at the lodge, whether lounging by the pool, indulging in a spa treatment, or simply taking in the tranquil beauty of your surroundings.

Afternoon:

Afternoon Safari Excursion:

Set out on an afternoon safari excursion, eager to continue your wildlife encounters in the diverse landscapes of Ngala Private Game Reserve.

Listen to the stories of your guides as they share their knowledge of the bush, pointing out tracks, spoor, and signs of wildlife activity along the way.

Sundowner Delight:

Pause at a scenic viewpoint as the sun begins to dip towards the horizon, casting a warm golden glow over the savanna.

Sip on sundowner cocktails and nibble on gourmet snacks, while soaking in the breathtaking beauty of the African sunset unfolding before you.

Venture further once more for a thrilling night safari adventure, equipped with spotlights to search for elusive nocturnal creatures.

Feel a sense of excitement as you navigate the darkness, illuminated by the soft glow of the spotlight and the twinkling of stars overhead.

Dinner under the Stars:

Return to Ngala Safari Lodge for a magical dinner under the stars, where tables are set amidst the flickering glow of lanterns and torches.

Indulge in a gourmet feast of African-inspired cuisine, featuring succulent grilled meats, flavourful curries, and decadent desserts, all served with warm hospitality and attention to detail.

Stargazing and Reflection:

After dinner, spend some time stargazing, marvelling at the brilliance of the African night sky and the countless stars twinkling overhead.

Reflect on the day's adventures and the wonders of the natural world, feeling a profound sense of gratitude for the opportunity to experience the magic of safari in Africa.

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Day 3: andBeyond Ngala Safari Lodge, Ngala Private Game Reserve

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Day Itinerary
Early Departure:

Begin your day with an early departure from your accommodation, eager to explore the breathtaking landscapes of the Panorama Route.

As you set out on your journey, feel the excitement building in the air, accompanied by the soft hum of the engine and the gentle sway of the vehicle.

Panoramic Views at God's Window:

Arrive at God's Window, one of the most iconic viewpoints along the Panorama Route, offering panoramic vistas of the lush Mpumalanga Lowveld.

Step out of the vehicle and onto the viewing platform, greeted by the cool mountain air and the invigorating scent of pine trees.

Marvel at the sheer beauty of the landscape stretching out before you, from the verdant valleys below to the mist-shrouded peaks in the distance.

Mid-morning:

Waterfall Exploration at Lisbon Falls:

Continue your journey to Lisbon Falls, where the sound of cascading water beckons you to explore one of the highest waterfalls in South Africa.

Scenic Drive to Bourke's Luck Potholes:

Embark on a scenic drive along the winding roads of the Panorama Route, marvelling at the rugged beauty of the Blyde River Canyon and the towering cliffs that line its edges.

Roll down the windows and feel the warm breeze on your face as you navigate the twists and turns of the road, the scent of wildflowers wafting through the air.

Lunchtime:

Picnic Lunch at Bourke's Luck Potholes:

Arrive at Bourke's Luck Potholes and find a picturesque spot to enjoy a picnic lunch amidst the natural wonders of the area.

Spread out a blanket and unpack a delicious spread of local delicacies, from artisanal cheeses and freshly baked bread to succulent fruits and savoury pastries.

As you dine al fresco, soak in the serenity of your surroundings, listening to the soothing sounds of the rushing water and the melodious chirping of birds.

Afternoon:

Exploration of Bourke's Luck Potholes:

After lunch, take some time to explore the unique geological formations of Bourke's Luck Potholes, sculpted over centuries by the erosive forces of water.

Wander along the wooden walkways that wind their way through the rocky landscape, marvelling at the intricate swirls and patterns carved into the stone.

Feel the smooth texture of the rock beneath your fingertips, worn smooth by the relentless flow of the river, and listen to the echoes of your footsteps as you traverse the ancient pathways.

Panoramic Views at Three Rondavels:

Conclude your journey with a visit to Three Rondavels, a series of towering rock formations resembling traditional African huts.

Stand at the edge of the viewing platform and gaze out over the vast expanse of the Blyde River Canyon, feeling a sense of awe and reverence for the natural beauty that surrounds you.

Watch as the sun begins to dip towards the horizon, casting a warm glow over the landscape and painting the cliffs in shades of orange and gold.

Late Afternoon:

Return Journey:

Begin your return journey as the day draws to a close, reflecting on the sensory delights and unforgettable experiences of your adventure along the Panorama Route.

Feel a sense of contentment wash over you as you soak in the last moments of daylight, surrounded by the tranquillity of the African wilderness.

Arrival back at Accommodation:

Arrive back at your accommodation as the sun sets, bringing an end to a day filled with exploration, discovery, and sensory delights.

Take a moment to savour the memories of your journey along the Panorama Route, knowing that you've experienced the beauty and wonder of Africa in all its splendour.

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Day 5: Ilala Lodge Hotel, Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe)

Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe)

Victoria Falls is one of the world's most impressive waterfalls. It is set on the magnificent Zambezi River which creates the border between Zambia and Zimbabwe. These spectacular falls can be easily visited and viewed from the Zimbabwean side. Considered to be the world's widest waterfalls, Victoria Falls measures an impressive 1708 metres in width. The small town of Victoria Falls, which lies adjacent to the waterfalls, serves as a great base from which to explore the many attractions this area of Zimbabwe has to offer. The surrounding area provides a wide range of adrenalin-filled activities for adventure lovers. Visitors can look forward to an array of wonderful activities including: scenic flights, micro lighting, white water rafting, bungee jumping, kayaking, and once-in-a-lifetime expeditions into the incredible Chobe National Park.

Day Itinerary

Early Morning Game Drive:

Begin your day with an exhilarating early morning game drive through the wilds of the African bush.

Feel the cool breeze against your skin as you embark on the open-air safari vehicle, excitement building as you anticipate the wildlife sightings to come.

Listen to the calls of awakening birds and the distant roar of lions, immersing yourselves in the natural symphony of the savanna.

Wildlife Encounters:

As the sun rises, witness the African landscape come alive with activity, from herds of elephants bathing in rivers to graceful giraffes nibbling on acacia leaves.

Marvel at the sight of majestic predators on the prowl, their golden coats blending seamlessly with the golden hues of the morning light.

Engage all your senses as you observe the intricate interactions of wildlife, from the rustle of grass underfoot to the earthy scent of the bush.

Mid-morning:

Transfer to Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport:

After an unforgettable morning safari experience, bid farewell to the wilderness as you're transported to Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport.

Reflect on the sights and sounds of the bush as you journey through the scenic landscapes of Mpumalanga, feeling a sense of gratitude for the wonders of nature you've encountered.

Afternoon:

Flight to Victoria Falls:

Board your flight to Victoria Falls, eagerly anticipating the next leg of your African adventure.

Peer out of the airplane window as you soar above the clouds, marvelling at the vastness of the African continent stretching out below.

Arrival at Ilala Lodge:

Upon arrival at Victoria Falls, be greeted by the warm hospitality of Ilala Lodge staff, who whisk you away to the comfort and tranquillity of your accommodations.

Take a moment to relax and unwind in the luxurious surroundings of Ilala Lodge, surrounded by lush gardens and the soothing sounds of nature.

Evening:

Rest and Relaxation:

Spend the remainder of the day at leisure, indulging in the rest and relaxation you deserve after a day of adventure and travel.

Lounge by the poolside, sipping on refreshing drinks and basking in the warm African sun, or take a leisurely stroll through the lodge's gardens, admiring the vibrant blooms and exotic birdlife.

Dinner at Ilala Lodge:

In the evening, dine in style at Ilala Lodge's acclaimed restaurant, where a gourmet feast awaits.

Delight in a culinary journey of flavours inspired by the rich traditions of African cuisine, accompanied by fine wines and impeccable service.

As you dine beneath the stars, surrounded by the sights and sounds of Victoria Falls, toast to the adventures yet to come and the memories you've already made.

Evening at Leisure:

After dinner, enjoy a quiet evening at leisure, whether unwinding with a nightcap on your private balcony or stargazing from the comfort of your plush bed.

Reflect on the day's experiences and look forward to the excitement and wonders that await you in Victoria Falls and beyond..

Overnight: Ilala Lodge Hotel

Ilala Lodge Hotel is ideally located only 8 minutes away from the spectacular Victoria Falls, making it geographically the closest hotel to the waterfall on the Zimbabwean side. As a family-run hotel, Ilala Lodge has 73 stylish, well-appointed rooms, that offer the ultimate in comfort and luxury. The hotel’s location affords guests unique views of the mist that rises from the mighty waterfall, known as the ‘smoke that thunders

Experience gourmet dining at Ilala Lodge Hotels' top-rated Cassia Restaurant. Centrally located only minutes away from Victoria Falls, the newly-renamed restaurant offers a delicious breakfast buffet, lunch and al fresco evening dining under the starry African sky.

Relive the historical journey embarked by David Livingstone exploring the mighty Zambezi River aboard the Ra-Ikane fleet. Named after his instrumental guide, the boats represent the grace of a bygone era honouring the rich history of Victoria Falls and its explorers, adventurers and heroes. The Ra-Ikane offers a variety of cruises, including birdwatching, breakfast, lunch and sunset, as well as private charters.





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Day 6: Ilala Lodge Hotel, Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe)

Day Itinerary
Sunrise at Victoria Falls:

Begin your day with a breathtaking sunrise experience at Victoria Falls, one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World.

Feel the anticipation building as you approach the falls, the sound of rushing water growing louder with each step.

As the first light of dawn illuminates the mist rising from the gorge below, witness the spectacle of the sun casting a golden glow over the cascading waters, creating rainbows that dance in the spray.

Exploration of Victoria Falls National Park:

Embark on a guided tour of Victoria Falls National Park, accompanied by experienced guides who share insights into the history, geology, and ecology of the area.

Feel the power of the falls reverberating through your entire being as you stand at various viewpoints, enveloped in the spray and mist generated by the mighty Zambezi River plunging over the precipice.

Mid-morning:

Victoria Falls Rainforest Walk:

Take a leisurely stroll through the lush rainforest surrounding Victoria Falls, where towering trees and exotic flora provide shade from the African sun.

Immerse yourselves in the sights and sounds of the rainforest, from the chirping of birds to the chatter of monkeys swinging through the canopy above.

Feel the cool mist on your skin as you walk along mist-soaked paths, the air filled with the invigorating scent of damp earth and tropical vegetation.

Flight of Angels Helicopter Tour:

Experience the awe-inspiring beauty of Victoria Falls from a unique perspective with a "Flight of Angels" helicopter tour.

Soar high above the falls, feeling the exhilaration of flight as you gaze down upon the sprawling expanse of water and mist below.

Take in panoramic views of the Zambezi River snaking its way through the rugged landscape, its waters teeming with wildlife and adventure.

Lunchtime:

Riverside Lunch:

Enjoy a delightful riverside lunch at a scenic spot overlooking the Zambezi River, where the tranquil waters provide the perfect backdrop for a relaxing meal.

Savor the flavours of traditional Zimbabwean cuisine, from succulent grilled meats to vibrant salads and freshly baked breads, all prepared with locally sourced ingredients.

Afternoon:

Adventure Activities:

Choose from a variety of adrenaline-pumping adventure activities available at Victoria Falls, including bungee jumping, zip-lining, and white-water rafting.

Feel the rush of excitement as you take the plunge off the iconic Victoria Falls Bridge, freefalling towards the swirling waters of the Zambezi River below.

Alternatively, glide through the treetops on a zip-line adventure, feeling the wind in your hair and the exhilaration of flight as you traverse the canopy.

Evening:

Sunset Cruise on the Zambezi River:

Conclude your day with a sunset cruise on the Zambezi River, where you'll drift along its tranquil waters as the sun dips below the horizon.

Feel the gentle sway of the boat and the soothing rhythm of the river as you sip on sundowner cocktails and nibble on gourmet snacks.

Watch in awe as the sky is painted in a kaleidoscope of colours, reflecting off the water and casting a warm glow over the landscape.

Dinner at Ilala Lodge:

Return to Ilala Lodge for a romantic dinner under the stars, where tables are set amidst the lush gardens and illuminated by the soft glow of lanterns.

Indulge in a gourmet feast of international cuisine, expertly prepared using the finest local ingredients and served with impeccable hospitality.

Toast to the magic of Victoria Falls and the unforgettable experiences you've shared, as you reflect on a day filled with adventure, discovery, and sensory delights.

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Day 7: Ilala Lodge Hotel, Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe)

Day Itinerary
Wake Up to the Sounds of Nature:

Start your day with a leisurely morning at your accommodation near Victoria Falls.

Allow yourselves to wake up naturally, serenaded by the sounds of birds chirping outside your window and the gentle rustle of leaves in the breeze.

Al Fresco Breakfast:

Enjoy a relaxed breakfast on the veranda or outdoor terrace of your accommodation, surrounded by the sights and sounds of the African bush.

Savor the flavours of freshly brewed coffee, tropical fruits, and hearty breakfast fare, while soaking in the tranquil ambiance of your surroundings.

Mid-morning:

Stroll through Victoria Falls Town:

Take a leisurely stroll through Victoria Falls town, exploring its quaint shops, bustling markets, and vibrant streets.

Feel the warmth of the African sun on your skin as you meander through the town centre, admiring colourful storefronts and local artisans at work.

Visit the Victoria Falls Craft Market:

Browse the stalls of the Victoria Falls Craft Market, where local artisans showcase their handcrafted wares, from intricately carved wooden sculptures to vibrant textiles and beaded jewellery.

Engage with the vendors and learn about the cultural significance of their crafts, feeling the textures of the materials and marvelling at the artistry on display.

Lunchtime:

Lunch at a Riverside Cafe:

Indulge in a leisurely lunch at a riverside cafe or restaurant overlooking the Zambezi River.

Choose from a menu of delicious dishes inspired by African and international flavours, while enjoying panoramic views of the river and its surrounding scenery.

Afternoon:

Relax by the Pool:

Return to your accommodation for an afternoon of relaxation by the pool.

Feel the refreshing waters against your skin as you take a dip, surrounded by lush gardens and the soothing sounds of nature.

Spa Treatments:

Treat yourselves to a pampering spa experience, with a range of rejuvenating treatments designed to relax, refresh, and revitalize.

Feel tension melt away as skilled therapists work their magic, using aromatic oils and soothing techniques to enhance your sense of well-being.

Evening:

Dinner at a Fine Dining Restaurant:

Dress up for a romantic dinner at one of Victoria Falls' fine dining establishments.

Indulge in a gourmet feast of culinary delights, paired with fine wines and served with impeccable service in an elegant setting.

Sunset Serenade at Victoria Falls Bridge:

Conclude your day with a sunset serenade at Victoria Falls Bridge, where local musicians provide a soundtrack to the breathtaking views of the falls at dusk.

Feel the magic of the moment as the sun sets over the Zambezi River, painting the sky in a palette of vibrant colours and casting a warm glow over the landscape.

Stargazing and Reflection:

Return to your accommodation and spend some time stargazing from the comfort of your balcony or terrace.

Reflect on the beauty and serenity of Victoria Falls, feeling grateful for the opportunity to experience its wonders and create cherished memories together.

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Day 8: andBeyond Chobe Under Canvas, Chobe National Park

Chobe National Park
Chobe National Park is situated in the far northeast of Botswana, bordered to the north by the mighty Chobe River. It is the second-largest national park in Botswana and features four distinct ecosystems: the Savuti Channel in the west; the Linyanti Swamps in the northwest; the arid hinterland in between and Serondela in the extreme northeast with fertile plains and thick forests. This diversity of habitats provides a sanctuary to an astonishing array of African wildlife, most notably the impressive, shifting migratory population of more than 50 000 elephants. Visitors are also

likely to spot lions, leopards, hyenas, wild dogs, impala, waterbuck, kudu, zebra, wildebeest, giraffes, and warthog. The park is also famous for its wonderful riverboat safaris, making Chobe an essential destination for any avid safari enthusiast.

Day Itinerary

Transfer to Victoria Falls International Airport:

Begin your day with a transfer from your accommodation to Victoria Falls International Airport.

Feel the excitement building as you anticipate the adventure ahead, surrounded by the sights and sounds of Victoria Falls.

Scenic Flight to andBeyond Chobe Under Canvas:

Board a charter flight bound for andBeyond Chobe Under Canvas, located in the pristine wilderness of Botswana's Chobe National Park.

Soar above the majestic landscapes below, marveling at the patchwork of forests, rivers, and floodplains stretching out as far as the eye can see.

Take in panoramic views of the Zambezi River and the sprawling plains of Chobe, feeling a sense of awe at the natural beauty unfolding beneath you.

Midday:

Arrival and Check-in:

Upon arrival at andBeyond Chobe Under Canvas, be greeted by the warm hospitality of the camp staff, who welcome you to your luxurious tented accommodation.

Feel the soft canvas beneath your feet as you step into your spacious tent, adorned with rustic furnishings and modern amenities, providing the perfect blend of comfort and immersion in nature.

Lunch in the Bush:

Enjoy a delicious bush lunch served al fresco amidst the wilderness of Chobe National Park.

Savor the flavours of traditional Botswana cuisine, with a menu featuring fresh, locally sourced ingredients and tantalizing flavours that reflect the rich culinary heritage of the region.

Afternoon:

Leisure Time at Camp:

Spend the afternoon at leisure, indulging in the serenity and seclusion of your safari camp.

Lounge in the comfort of your private veranda, listening to the symphony of birdsong and the rustle of leaves in the breeze, or unwind with a refreshing drink in the camp's cozy lounge area.

Nature Walk or Game Drive:

If you're feeling adventurous, embark on a guided nature walk led by experienced trackers, exploring the surrounding bush on foot and discovering the smaller wonders of Chobe's ecosystem.

Alternatively, opt for an afternoon game drive in an open safari vehicle, venturing deeper into the wilderness in search of Africa's iconic wildlife, from elephants and lions to hippos and crocodiles.

Evening:

Sundowners in the Bush:

As the sun begins to dip towards the horizon, embark on a scenic sundowner drive to a picturesque spot overlooking the Chobe River.

Sip on sundowner cocktails and nibble on gourmet snacks, while watching the sky come alive with fiery hues and the landscape transform in the soft golden light of dusk.

Dinner under the Stars:

Return to camp for a memorable dinner under the stars, where tables are set amidst the flickering glow of lanterns and torches.

Indulge in a gourmet feast of African-inspired cuisine, featuring fresh, seasonal ingredients and expertly crafted dishes that showcase the best of Botswana's culinary traditions.

Stargazing and Campfire Tales:

After dinner, gather around the crackling campfire for an evening of stargazing and storytelling.

Listen to the tales of your guides as they share their knowledge of the African night sky, pointing out constellations and celestial phenomena that have captivated travellers for centuries.

Retreat to Your Tent:

Retreat to the comfort of your tent, lulled to sleep by the gentle sounds of the bush and the cool night breeze rustling through the trees.

Drift off into dreams of the adventures yet to come, feeling grateful for the opportunity to experience the magic of safari in Africa.

Overnight: andBeyond Chobe Under Canvas

Among the great game reserves of the world, Chobe National Park is home to one of the largest concentrations of elephant on the African continent. Surrounded by wildlife management areas and reserves that allow game to roam freely, the 11 700km² (4 500 square mile) reserve is located in the far north of Botswana, bordering on the Chobe River. Chobe is particularly well known for its large herds of elephant and buffalo, as well as the two antelope that cannot be encountered anywhere else in Botswana, the puku and Chobe bushbuck.
In addition to the vast floodplains that occur along the river, Chobe offers tracks of dry savannah. Dense teak woodland provides thick cover in the north-eastern parts of the reserve. Watching the elephant families drink and bathe in the river is an unforgettable sight, all the more impressive when herds of buffalo, rafts of hippo and gigantic Nile crocodiles are part of the scene. Lion and spotted hyena are frequently seen on the floodplains, where red lechwe, puku, zebra, sable and roan come out to graze.

Well-used animal trails meander between five ensuite safari tents at andBeyond Chobe Under Canvas, positioned at exclusive campsites in the northern reaches of the park, within driving distance of the Chobe River. Booked on a nightly basis, each canvas tent boasts a comfortable double bed, as well as an ensuite bathroom with flush w.c and steaming hot bucket shower, with water delivered on request. The guest areas comprise spacious tents for dining,

pre-dinner drinks or simply whiling away the time between game drives with a good book and frosted beer or glass of wine. Delicious meals cooked over the coals are shared around a blazing fire.





Basis
Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities
All Local Brands (Spirits, Wine and Beers) Included

Day 9: andBeyond Chobe Under Canvas, Chobe National Park

Day Itinerary
Morning Tea or Coffee:

Start your day with a freshly brewed cup of tea or coffee served to your tent.

Feel the warmth of the mug in your hands as you savour the rich aroma of the coffee beans or the fragrant steam rising from your cup of tea.

Early Morning Game Drive:

Embark on an early morning game drive in an open 4x4 safari vehicle, led by experienced guides and trackers.

Feel the crisp morning air against your skin as you set out into the wilderness, anticipation building for the wildlife encounters that lie ahead.

Listen to the sounds of the bush coming alive as the sun rises, from the melodic chirping of birds to the distant calls of lions and elephants.

Mid-morning:

Bush Breakfast:

Pause for a bush breakfast at a scenic spot in the heart of Chobe National Park.

Feel the soft earth beneath your feet as you step out of the vehicle, surrounded by the sights and sounds of the African bush.

Savor a delicious spread of freshly prepared breakfast delights, from flaky pastries and ripe fruits to savoury egg dishes and aromatic coffee, all served amidst the natural beauty of your surroundings.

Nature Walk or Relaxation:

Choose to either continue your safari adventure with a guided nature walk, exploring the bush on foot and learning about the smaller wonders of Chobe's ecosystem.

Alternatively, opt for a leisurely morning at camp, relaxing in the comfort of your tent or lounging in the camp's communal areas, enjoying the peaceful ambiance and the gentle rustle of leaves in the breeze.

Midday:

Lunch at Camp:

Return to camp for a delicious lunch served under the shade of canvas tents or al fresco in the bush.

Indulge in a gourmet meal featuring fresh, locally sourced ingredients and flavours inspired by the vibrant culinary traditions of Botswana.

Afternoon:

Siesta and Relaxation:

After lunch, take advantage of the heat of the day to enjoy a siesta in the cool comfort of your tent.

Feel the soft linens against your skin as you sink into the plush bedding, drifting into a peaceful slumber amidst the sounds of the bush.

Afternoon Tea:

Awaken refreshed and rejuvenated to the aroma of freshly baked treats and the enticing scent of brewing tea.

Treat yourselves to a traditional afternoon tea served in camp, indulging in sweet and savory delights while swapping stories of your morning adventures.

Evening:

Sundowner Game Drive:

As the sun begins to dip towards the horizon, set out on a sundowner game drive to witness the beauty of the African sunset.

Feel the warmth of the fading sunlight on your skin as you traverse the savanna, watching as the sky transforms into a canvas of fiery colours.

Dinner under the Stars:

Return to camp for a magical dinner under the stars, where tables are set amidst the flickering glow of lanterns and torches.

Indulge in a gourmet feast of African-inspired cuisine, expertly prepared using the freshest ingredients and served with warm hospitality.

Campfire Stories:

Gather around the campfire after dinner for an evening of storytelling and stargazing.

Listen to the tales of your guides as they share their knowledge of the constellations overhead, pointing out stars and planets that have guided travellers for generations.

Retreat to Your Tent:

As the night grows dark and the sounds of the bush lull you into a state of relaxation, retire to the comfort of your tent.

Drift off to sleep to the symphony of nature outside your canvas walls, feeling grateful for the sensory delights and unforgettable experiences of your day in the African wilderness.

Basis
Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities
All Local Brands (Spirits, Wine and Beers) Included

Day 10: andBeyond Sandibe Okavango Safari Lodge, Okavango Delta

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Okavango Delta
Situated in the northwestern corner of Botswana, the Okavango Delta is a World Heritage Site as it is the largest inland delta in the world. The magnificent Okavango River sprawls out over the dry sands of the Kalahari Desert forming this flourishing waterlogged oasis featuring countless meandering waterways and crystal-clear lagoons studded with water lilies, as well as fertile floodplains and reeded islands inhabited with abundant wildlife. The Okavango Delta stretches over an impressive15000 square kilometres. Visitors can enjoy several wonderful activities such as game viewing, fishing, bird watching or taking an authentic guided Mokoro excursion through this wetland paradise in a traditional dugout canoe. Commonly spotted animals include lion, rhino, leopard, giraffe, hippos, elephants, crocodiles and countless species of bird.

Day Itinerary
Breakfast at Camp:

Begin your day with a delicious breakfast served at andBeyond Chobe Under Canvas.

Savor the flavours of freshly prepared dishes, from flaky pastries and tropical fruits to hearty cooked breakfasts, all accompanied by aromatic coffee and teas.

Preparation for Departure:

After breakfast, prepare for your departure from andBeyond Chobe Under Canvas.

Pack your belongings and bid farewell to the camp staff, feeling grateful for the memories and experiences shared during your stay.

Mid-morning:

Transfer to the Airstrip:

Depart from andBeyond Chobe Under Canvas and transfer to the nearby airstrip for your charter flight to Sandibe Okavango Safari Lodge.

Enjoy the scenic journey as you fly over the breathtaking landscapes of Botswana, from the floodplains of the Chobe River to the lush delta of the Okavango.

Late Morning/Early Afternoon:

Arrival at Sandibe Okavango Safari Lodge:

Upon arrival at Sandibe Okavango Safari Lodge, be greeted by the warm hospitality of the lodge staff, who welcome you to your luxurious accommodations.

Feel the excitement building as you step into the lodge's elegant surroundings, surrounded by the sights and sounds of the Okavango Delta.

Lunch at the Lodge:

Enjoy a leisurely lunch at Sandibe Okavango Safari Lodge, where the culinary team showcases the best of Botswana's flavours with a delectable menu of gourmet dishes.

Choose from a variety of mouthwatering options, from light salads and sandwiches to hearty soups and grilled specialties.

Afternoon:

Guided Nature Walk or Mokoro Excursion:

In the afternoon, embark on a guided nature walk with expert trackers, venturing into the bush to discover the diverse flora and fauna of the Okavango Delta up close.

Alternatively, opt for a traditional mokoro excursion, gliding silently through the waterways of the delta in a traditional dugout canoe, accompanied by skilled polers.

Relaxation at the Lodge:

After your adventure, return to Sandibe Okavango Safari Lodge for some relaxation and downtime.

Take a refreshing dip in the lodge's swimming pool, surrounded by the sights and sounds of the delta, or unwind with a good book in the comfort of your private suite.

Late Afternoon/Early Evening:

Sunset Safari Game Drive:

As the day begins to wane, set out on a sunset safari game drive in search of the delta's elusive wildlife.

Feel the thrill of anticipation as you traverse the savanna, keeping your eyes peeled for sightings of lions, leopards, elephants, and more against the backdrop of the setting sun.

Sundowners in the Bush:

Pause at a scenic spot to enjoy sundowner cocktails and snacks, while watching the colors of the sky change from golden hues to fiery oranges and pinks.

Listen to the sounds of the bush coming alive as nocturnal creatures emerge from their daytime hiding spots, signalling the start of another captivating evening in the delta.

Evening:

Dinner under the Stars:

Return to Sandibe Okavango Safari Lodge for a memorable dinner under the stars, where tables are set amidst the flickering glow of lanterns and torches.

Indulge in a gourmet feast of African-inspired cuisine, featuring fresh, locally sourced ingredients and flavours that reflect the vibrant culinary heritage of Botswana.

Stargazing and Nightcap:

After dinner, take a moment to stargaze from the comfort of the lodge's outdoor lounge area, marveling at the brilliance of the African night sky.

Sip on a nightcap as you reflect on the day's adventures and the wonders of the Okavango Delta, feeling grateful for the sensory delights and unforgettable experiences of your safari journey.

Overnight: andBeyond Sandibe Okavango Safari Lodge

andBeyond Sandibe Okavango Safari Lodge is situated on a permanent channel of the Okavango Delta, adjacent to Moremi Game Reserve. With exclusive traversing rights over 270 km2 of wilderness in a private concession, this site was specifically chosen for its extraordinary beauty and proximity to the game-rich grassy plains. &Beyond Sandibe's raised guest areas and suites look out onto the Santantadibe Channel, providing spectacular Okavango Delta views.

Drawing its inspiration from nature, the lodge blends into the landscape, providing an experience that is serene, earthy and organic. Secluded plunge pools and outdoor showers in each of the twelve suites allow guests to feel part of the forest, while private fireplaces warm the African nights once the sun goes down. Clever constructed, indoor and outdoor lounging places create cosy nooks ideal for private dining beneath the stars. An interactive kitchen and interpretive naturalist library encourage guests to become one with the surroundings and to enjoy every aspect of the Delta experience.





Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 11: andBeyond Sandibe Okavango Safari Lodge, Okavango Delta

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Day Itinerary

Sunrise Wake-Up Call:

Start your day with a gentle wake-up call from the lodge staff, timed perfectly to coincide with the magical moment of sunrise.

Feel the warmth of the morning sun filtering through the canvas walls of your suite, signalling the beginning of another day of adventure in the Okavango Delta.

Breakfast at the Lodge:

Enjoy a delicious breakfast served at Sandibe Okavango Safari Lodge.

Indulge in a variety of freshly prepared dishes, from tropical fruits and yogurt to made-to-order omelettes and pastries, all accompanied by freshly brewed coffee and teas.

Mid-morning:

Guided Bush Walk:

Embark on a guided bush walk with expert trackers, immersing yourselves in the sights, sounds, and scents of the Okavango Delta.

Feel the soft earth beneath your feet as you walk along winding trails, surrounded by towering trees and vibrant vegetation.

Listen to the calls of birds and the rustle of leaves in the breeze, as your knowledgeable guide shares insights into the delta's rich biodiversity.

Exploration by Mokoro:

Continue your adventure with a traditional mokoro excursion through the labyrinthine waterways of the delta.

Glide silently through the tranquil channels in a traditional dugout canoe, feeling the gentle rhythm of the paddle and the cool water beneath you.

Marvel at the reflections of towering papyrus reeds and ancient fig trees in the mirror-like surface of the water, as you spot aquatic wildlife and birds along the way.

Lunchtime:

Picnic Lunch in the Bush:

Take a break from your explorations for a picnic lunch served in a scenic spot amidst the wilderness of the delta.

Spread out a blanket and enjoy a gourmet spread of sandwiches, salads, and snacks, all prepared with locally sourced ingredients and flavours inspired by the cuisine of Botswana.

Listen to the sounds of nature as you dine al fresco, surrounded by the sights and scents of the African bush.

Afternoon:

Relaxation at the Lodge:

Return to Sandibe Okavango Safari Lodge for some relaxation and downtime in the heat of the afternoon.

Lounge by the lodge's swimming pool, soaking up the sunshine and enjoying panoramic views of the surrounding floodplains and woodlands.

Alternatively, retreat to the comfort of your suite for a siesta, lulled to sleep by the gentle sounds of the delta outside your door.

Late Afternoon/Early Evening:

Sundowner Game Drive:

As the day begins to wane, set out on a late afternoon game drive in search of the delta's resident wildlife.

Feel the thrill of excitement as you encounter a variety of animals, from graceful antelope to majestic elephants, against the backdrop of the setting sun.

Listen to the stories and insights of your knowledgeable guide as they interpret the behaviours and interactions of the wildlife around you.

Sundowners in the Bush:

Pause at a scenic spot to enjoy sundowner cocktails and snacks, while watching the colours of the sky change from golden hues to fiery oranges and pinks.

Feel the sense of tranquillity wash over you as you soak in the sights and sounds of the African wilderness, surrounded by the beauty of the delta at dusk.

Evening:

Dinner at the Lodge:

Return to Sandibe Okavango Safari Lodge for a memorable dinner under the stars, where tables are set amidst the flickering glow of lanterns and torches.

Indulge in a gourmet feast of African-inspired cuisine, featuring fresh, locally sourced ingredients and flavours that reflect the vibrant culinary heritage of Botswana.

Savor each bite as you reflect on the day's adventures and the wonders of the Okavango Delta, feeling grateful for the sensory delights and unforgettable experiences of your safari journey.

Nighttime Safari Experience:

After dinner, embark on a unique nighttime safari experience in search of the delta's nocturnal creatures.

Feel the cool night air on your skin as you traverse the bush in an open safari vehicle, using spotlights to illuminate the hidden world of the night.

Listen to the sounds of the delta coming alive after dark, from the calls of nocturnal birds to the rustle of nocturnal animals in the underbrush.

Stargazing and Nightcap:

Return to the lodge for a nightcap under the stars, as you gather around the campfire to share stories and gaze up at the glittering expanse of the African night sky.

Sip on a favourite drink as you marvel at the constellations overhead, feeling a sense of wonder and awe at the beauty of the universe.

Basis
Bed and Breakfast

Day 12: Hotel Heinitzburg, Windhoek

Windhoek
Situated in Central Namibia, the cosmopolitan city of Windhoek serves as the capital of the country. It is home to an international airport and a plethora of restaurants, shops, entertainment venues and accommodation options. The city is clean, safe, and well-organised, with a colonial legacy that is reflected in its many German eateries and shops, and the widespread use of the German language. Windhoek has an interesting mix of historical architecture and modern buildings, many of which are worth a look, including the Alte Feste an old fort, the 1896 Christuskirche Christ Church, and the more contemporary Supreme Court.

Day Itinerary
Breakfast at Sandibe Okavango Lodge:

Begin your day with a delicious breakfast at Sandibe Okavango Lodge, indulging in a spread of fresh fruits, pastries, and cooked dishes.

Enjoy your meal amidst the serene surroundings of the lodge, listening to the sounds of the delta awakening to the new day.

Preparation for Departure:

After breakfast, prepare for your departure from Sandibe Okavango Lodge.

Pack your belongings and bid farewell to the lodge staff, expressing gratitude for the memorable experiences shared during your stay.

Mid-morning:

Transfer to the Airstrip:

Depart from Sandibe Okavango Lodge and transfer to the nearby airstrip for your charter flight to Windhoek.

Take in the stunning views of the Okavango Delta from above as you fly towards your next destination.

Late Morning/Early Afternoon:

Arrival in Windhoek:

Upon arrival in Windhoek, be greeted by the warm hospitality of Hotel Heinitzburg staff, who will escort you to your accommodations.

Feel the sense of excitement as you step into the elegant surroundings of the hotel, nestled amidst the hills overlooking Windhoek.

Check-in and Relaxation:

Check-in to Hotel Heinitzburg and take some time to relax and unwind after your journey.

Refresh yourself with a shower or a dip in the hotel's pool, enjoying the tranquil ambiance and panoramic views of Windhoek below.

Afternoon:

Exploration of Windhoek:

Venture out to explore the vibrant city of Windhoek at your own pace.

Take a leisurely stroll through the city centre, admiring colonial-era architecture, bustling markets, and charming cafes.

Feel the energy of Windhoek's streets as you soak in the sights and sounds of daily life in Namibia's capital.

Lunch at a Local Restaurant:

Enjoy a leisurely lunch at one of Windhoek's renowned restaurants, sampling delicious Namibian cuisine and refreshing beverages.

Choose from a variety of dishes inspired by local flavours, from hearty game meats to fresh seafood and vegetarian specialties.

Late Afternoon/Early Evening:

Visit to a Cultural Site:

Immerse yourselves in Namibia's rich cultural heritage with a visit to a local museum or cultural site.

Learn about the history, traditions, and customs of Namibia's diverse communities, gaining insight into the country's fascinating past and present.

Scenic Sunset View:

As the sun begins to set, head to a scenic viewpoint overlooking Windhoek for a breathtaking sunset experience.

Watch in awe as the sky is painted in hues of orange and pink, casting a warm glow over the cityscape below.

Evening:

Dinner at Hotel Heinitzburg:

Return to Hotel Heinitzburg for a romantic dinner at the hotel's acclaimed restaurant, Leo's at the Castle.

Indulge in a gourmet feast of European-inspired cuisine, expertly prepared using the finest local and seasonal ingredients.

Savor each bite as you enjoy impeccable service and panoramic views of Windhoek illuminated against the night sky.

Nightcap and Relaxation:

Conclude your day with a nightcap at Hotel Heinitzburg's cozy bar, where you can unwind with a glass of fine wine or a handcrafted cocktail.

Reflect on the day's adventures and the sensory delights experienced along the way, feeling grateful for the opportunity to explore both the wilderness of the Okavango Delta and the vibrant city of Windhoek.

Overnight: Hotel Heinitzburg

The Heinitzburg offers 16 spacious generously appointed en-suite rooms, each individually decorated, leaving no two rooms looking the same. Each room has individual air-conditioning / heating unit, direct telephone, electronic safe, mini bar, flat screen TV with satellite channels. The superior deluxe rooms have a bath with integrated showers, whilst the deluxe rooms all have a walk in shower.

At the hotel's serene garden, guests are welcome to relax in a private atmosphere whilst enjoying the refreshing swimming pool (heated in winter).

Hotel Heinitzburg has a variety of dining outlets. There's the gourmet restaurant overlooking the skyline of the city while serving varied cuisine ranging from local to international dishes. The Garden Terrace provides superb view over the city and the surrounding mountains. At the Garden Terrace, meals, coffee and cakes from the patisserie are served throughout the day while snacks and sundowner cocktails are served at the viewpoint with marvelous vistas of spectacular sunsets. There's also the Wine Cellar which houses a large collection of carefully selected South African vintages. The cellar is built into the mountain rock and is an ideal meeting place.





Basis

Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities
All Local Brands (Spirits, Wine and Beers) Included

Day 13: andBeyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge, NamibRand Nature Reserve

NamibRand Nature Reserve

Spanning an area of 172,200 hectares and encompassing four distinct ecosystems, the NamibRand Reserve of southern Namibia is among the largest privately owned game parks in Southern Africa. Founded to conserve the unique environment and wildlife species of the Namib Desert, the park’s mix of dunes, mountains, rocky outcrops, sandy flats, and gravel plains provides habitats for a diversity of mammals, including hyenas, jackals, foxes, antelopes, and various wild cats. A plethora of bird species, reptiles, insects, and frogs also have their home here, alongside an array of plant species. Discover the mysterious ‘fairy circles’, unexplained bare patches in the sand, or

enjoy a night of sublime stargazing - having been named Africa’s first International Dark Sky Reserve, it is one of the least light-polluted areas in the world.

Day Itinerary

Breakfast at Hotel Heinitzburg:

Begin your day with a delightful breakfast at Hotel Heinitzburg, enjoying a selection of continental and Namibian dishes served in the elegant dining room.

Savor the flavours of freshly baked bread, locally sourced cheeses, and seasonal fruits, accompanied by aromatic coffee and teas.

Preparation for Departure:

After breakfast, prepare for your departure from Hotel Heinitzburg.

Check-out of your accommodations and ensure all belongings are packed and ready for transfer to the airport.

Mid-morning:

Transfer to Eros Airport:

Depart from Hotel Heinitzburg and transfer to Eros Airport for your chartered flight to andBeyond Sossusvlei Lodge.

Enjoy the scenic journey as you drive through Windhoek, taking in the sights of the city and its surrounding landscapes.

Late Morning/Early Afternoon:

Chartered Flight to andBeyond Sossusvlei Lodge:

Board your chartered flight bound for andBeyond Sossusvlei Lodge, located amidst the majestic dunes of the Namib Desert.

Marvel at the aerial views of the desert landscape below, with its iconic red sand dunes and vast expanses of wilderness stretching out as far as the eye can see.

Afternoon:

Arrival and Check-in at andBeyond Sossusvlei Lodge:

Upon arrival at andBeyond Sossusvlei Lodge, be warmly welcomed by the lodge staff and escorted to your luxurious accommodations.

Feel the sense of tranquillity wash over you as you step into your private suite, designed to blend seamlessly with the natural surroundings of the desert.

Lunch at the Lodge:

Enjoy a delicious lunch served at andBeyond Sossusvlei Lodge's dining area or outdoor terrace, overlooking the stunning desert landscape.

Indulge in a variety of freshly prepared dishes, inspired by local flavors and ingredients, while soaking in the breathtaking views of the surrounding dunes.

Late Afternoon/Early Evening:

Nature Drive or Scenic Walk:

In the late afternoon, embark on a guided nature drive or scenic walk with experienced rangers, exploring the pristine wilderness of the Namib Desert.

Feel the soft sand beneath your feet as you walk along winding trails or ride in an open safari vehicle, encountering desert-adapted wildlife and learning about the unique ecosystems of the region.

Sunset Experience:

As the sun begins to set over the desert, venture to a scenic viewpoint to witness the spectacle of the golden hour.

Watch in awe as the shifting colours of the sky paint the dunes in shades of pink, orange, and red, creating a magical backdrop for your safari adventure.

Evening:

Dinner under the Stars:

Return to andBeyond Sossusvlei Lodge for a memorable dinner under the stars, where tables are set amidst the flickering glow of lanterns and torches.

Indulge in a gourmet feast of African-inspired cuisine, featuring fresh, locally sourced ingredients and flavours that reflect the rich culinary heritage of Namibia.

Savor each bite as you dine al fresco, surrounded by the sights and sounds of the desert at night, feeling grateful for the sensory delights and unforgettable experiences of your safari journey.

Stargazing and Campfire Tales:

After dinner, gather around the campfire for an evening of stargazing and storytelling.

Listen to the tales of your guides as they share their knowledge of the desert night sky, pointing out constellations and celestial phenomena that have captivated travellers for centuries.

Overnight: andBeyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge

One of the most pristine areas on Earth, the Namib Desert is a world of vast spaces, endless horizons, dramatic landscapes and jagged mountain heights. Cradled against the ancient mountains, andBeyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge is renowned for its luxurious accommodation overlooking the starkly beautiful Namib Desert. Designed to capture the splendour and solitude of the desert, just ten stone and glass suites spread out along the curve of the escarpment, allowing absolute privacy. Each air conditioned suite is furnished to complement the majestic hues of the desert and features a private veranda, split-level bedroom and living room with fireplace, ensuite glass-encased bathroom and outdoor shower. The suites are equipped with a star-viewing skylight, discrete music system and custom-stocked personal bar. The guest area, where walls have become windows that fold away completely, boasts unimpeded desert vistas. The split-level lodge boasts a fire-lit bar, comfortable sitting room, wraparound veranda and Safari Shop. A fine selection of wines from an impressive walk-in wine cellar complements the delicious meals. Guests can escape the desert heat with a revitalising midday dip in the pool, fed by water from an underground

spring. At sunset, animals are drawn to a nearby waterhole, enhancing desert sundowner drinks. Get a closer look at the night sky from our sophisticated observatory and state-of-the-art telescope.





Basis
Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities
All Local Brands (Spirits, Wine and Beers) Included

Day 14: andBeyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge, NamibRand Nature Reserve

Day Itinerary
Sunrise Excursion to Sossusvlei:

Start your day before dawn with a sunrise excursion to Sossusvlei, one of the most iconic destinations in the Namib Desert.

Feel the cool morning air against your skin as you embark on a guided drive through the desert, surrounded by towering sand dunes and ancient camel thorn trees.

Witness the breathtaking beauty of the desert landscape bathed in the golden light of dawn, with the ever-changing colors of the dunes creating a mesmerizing spectacle.

Climb Big Daddy Dune:

Challenge yourselves with a climb up Big Daddy, one of the tallest sand dunes in the world.

Feel the soft sand beneath your feet as you ascend the towering dune, taking in panoramic views of the surrounding desert landscape unfolding beneath you.

Experience a sense of exhilaration and accomplishment as you reach the summit, where you can pause to catch your breath and marvel at the awe-inspiring vistas stretching out as far as the eye can see.

Mid-morning:

Explore Deadvlei:

Descend from Big Daddy and make your way to Deadvlei, a surreal clay pan dotted with ancient, petrified camel thorn trees.

Feel a sense of wonder as you wander among the ghostly trees, their stark silhouettes standing in stark contrast to the vivid blue sky and orange-red dunes surrounding them.

Take time to photograph this otherworldly landscape, capturing the interplay of light and shadow and the timeless beauty of Deadvlei.

Bush Breakfast:

Enjoy a bush breakfast amidst the dunes, served by your guide in a scenic spot overlooking the desert.

Savor a delicious spread of freshly prepared breakfast fare, from hearty omelets and crispy bacon to fresh fruit and pastries, all while surrounded by the sights and sounds of nature.

Late Morning/Early Afternoon:

Return to Sossusvlei Lodge:

After your morning adventure, return to Sossusvlei Lodge to relax and refresh.

Take a refreshing dip in the lodge's swimming pool, surrounded by the tranquil ambiance of the desert, or simply unwind on the veranda of your suite, enjoying panoramic views of the surrounding dunes.

Afternoon:

Lunch at the Lodge:

Enjoy a leisurely lunch at Sossusvlei Lodge's restaurant, where you can savor a variety of delicious dishes inspired by Namibian cuisine.

Choose from a selection of fresh salads, grilled meats, and flavorful side dishes, accompanied by refreshing beverages and homemade desserts.

Nature Walk or Relaxation:

In the afternoon, embark on a guided nature walk with a knowledgeable ranger, exploring the flora and fauna of the desert ecosystem.

Feel the warm sun on your skin as you stroll along sandy pathways, learning about the unique adaptations of desert plants and spotting wildlife such as oryx, springbok, and ostriches.

Alternatively, opt for a leisurely afternoon at the lodge, indulging in a spa treatment or simply lounging in the comfort of your suite, surrounded by the sights and sounds of the desert.

Late Afternoon/Early Evening:

Scenic Sundowner Drive:

As the day begins to wane, set out on a scenic sundowner drive through the desert, accompanied by your guide.

Feel the gentle breeze in your hair as you traverse the sandy terrain, watching as the colours of the dunes change with the shifting light of the setting sun.

Pause at a scenic spot to enjoy sundowner cocktails and snacks, while soaking in the breathtaking views of the desert landscape illuminated in the warm glow of dusk.

Evening:

Dinner under the Stars:

Return to Sossusvlei Lodge for a memorable dinner under the stars, served in the outdoor dining area or around a crackling campfire.

Indulge in a gourmet feast of Namibian specialties, featuring fresh ingredients sourced from local producers and expertly prepared by the lodge's talented chefs.

Savor each bite as you dine al fresco, surrounded by the sights and sounds of the desert at night, feeling grateful for the sensory delights and unforgettable experiences of your day in the Namib Desert.

Stargazing and Reflection:

Conclude your day with a session of stargazing from the comfort of your suite or the lodge's outdoor lounge area.

Gaze up at the glittering expanse of the night sky, marveling at the brilliance of the stars and constellations above.

Reflect on the beauty and serenity of the desert landscape, feeling grateful for the opportunity to experience its wonders and create cherished memories together.

Basis
Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities
All Local Brands (Spirits, Wine and Beers) Included

Day 15: Strand Hotel Swakopmund, Swakopmund

Swakopmund
Set along Namibia's spectacularly scenic coast, the seaside town of Swakopmund is known for its wide-open avenues, colonial architecture, and its surrounding otherworldly desert terrain. Founded in 1892 as the main harbour for German South-West Africa, Swakopmund is often described as being more German than Germany. Now a seaside resort town, Swakopmund is the capital of the Skeleton Coast tourism area and has plenty to keep visitors happy. The quirky mix of German and Namibian influences, adventure options, laid-back atmosphere and cool sea breeze make it a very popular Namibian destination. Visitors can look forward to a number of exciting activities including: quad biking, horse riding, paragliding, fishing, sightseeing and fascinating desert tours.

Day Itinerary
After breakfast, prepare for your departure from andBeyond Desert Lodge.

Check-out of your accommodations and ensure all belongings are packed and ready for transfer to the airstrip.

Mid-morning:

Transfer to the Airstrip:

Depart from andBeyond Desert Lodge and transfer to the nearby airstrip for your chartered flight to Swakopmund.

Enjoy the scenic flight over the stunning landscapes of Namibia, marveling at the vast desert terrain and rugged coastline below.

Late Morning/Early Afternoon:

Arrival in Swakopmund:

Upon arrival in Swakopmund, be greeted by the cool sea breeze and the charming coastal atmosphere of the town.

Feel the sense of excitement as you disembark from the aircraft and set foot on the tarmac, ready to explore this picturesque seaside destination.

Transfer to The Strand Hotel:

Transfer from the airport to The Strand Hotel, your luxurious accommodation in Swakopmund.

Enjoy a scenic drive along the coast, taking in panoramic views of the Atlantic Ocean and the town's quaint streets lined with colonial-era buildings.

Afternoon:

Lunch at The Strand Hotel:

Enjoy a leisurely lunch at The Strand Hotel's restaurant, where you can savor delicious dishes crafted from fresh, locally sourced ingredients.

Choose from a variety of international and Namibian specialties, accompanied by refreshing beverages and panoramic views of the ocean.

Exploration of Swakopmund:

Spend the afternoon exploring the sights and attractions of Swakopmund at your own pace.

Stroll along the town's bustling promenade, browsing boutique shops, art galleries, and craft markets for unique souvenirs and gifts.

Feel the soft sand between your toes as you walk along Swakopmund's pristine beaches, listening to the sound of waves crashing against the shore.

Late Afternoon/Early Evening:

Optional Adventure Activities:

For those seeking adventure, Swakopmund offers a range of exciting activities to choose from, including quad biking, sandboarding, and desert tours.

Feel the adrenaline rush as you ride over towering sand dunes or glide down steep slopes on a sandboard, experiencing the thrill of outdoor adventure in the Namib Desert.

Relaxation at The Strand Hotel:

Alternatively, indulge in some relaxation and downtime at The Strand Hotel.

Unwind with a soothing massage or spa treatment at the hotel's wellness center, or simply lounge by the pool and soak up the sunshine while enjoying views of the ocean.

Evening:

Dinner at a Seafood Restaurant:

Treat yourselves to dinner at one of Swakopmund's renowned seafood restaurants, where you can sample fresh catches from the Atlantic Ocean.

Enjoy a candlelit meal of grilled fish, succulent oysters, or seafood platters, accompanied by fine wines and ocean views, creating a sensory dining experience to remember.

Evening Stroll or Nightcap:

After dinner, take a romantic evening stroll along the beachfront promenade, hand in hand with your companion.

Alternatively, return to The Strand Hotel for a nightcap at the bar, where you can toast to a day of memorable adventures and experiences in Swakopmund.

Overnight: Strand Hotel Swakopmund

With its extensive, unique and creatively entertaining Restaurants, Bars, Deli, Lobby-Lounge, Sea Facing Terraces, Beach Kiosk and state of the art Conference & Banqueting Center, all set on the Mole, a historic and iconic site surrounded by Ocean on three sides, the Strand Hotel Swakopmund is a social epicenter and destination in itself for all visitors to and residents of Swakopmund.

Its architectural inspiration finds its roots deep in Namibian-German history and reflects this in a tasteful contemporary manner. The interiors are residential in nature, and the brief to all designers involved was to create a non-hotel, hotel. One as charming and welcoming as the town it is located in. Simply very warm and comfortable, and as they say in German: “gemütlich” providing a genuine “sense-of-place” atmosphere adding to any Namibian visit.

Arriving at the Strand is a dramatic experience as one passes through its 13m high and 9m wide Ocean View Atrium which travels right through the Hotel offering sea views at either end. Off this Atrium Lobby is Reception, consisting of three individual desks and an inviting open fireplace which rounds off the residential feel and warm welcome.





Basis

Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities
All Local Brands (Spirits, Wine and Beers) Included

Day 16: Strand Hotel Swakopmund, Swakopmund

Day Itinerary

Breakfast at The Strand Hotel:

Begin your day with a delicious breakfast at The Strand Hotel's restaurant, featuring a variety of continental and local dishes.

Enjoy freshly brewed coffee, freshly squeezed juices, and a selection of pastries, fruits, and cooked breakfast items while taking in the views of the ocean.

Tommys Living Desert Tour:

Embark on the Tommys Living Desert Tour, an immersive experience led by knowledgeable guides who will introduce you to the fascinating world of the Namib Desert's smaller creatures.

Feel the excitement as you venture into the desert in a 4x4 vehicle, ready to discover the hidden wonders of this arid landscape.

Engage your senses as you learn about the desert's unique flora and fauna, including geckos, lizards, beetles, and other creatures adapted to survive in this harsh environment.

Midday:

Lunch in Swakopmund:

After the tour, return to Swakopmund for lunch at one of the town's charming cafes or restaurants.

Savor the flavours of Namibian cuisine or international dishes, enjoying a leisurely meal in the relaxed atmosphere of this coastal town.

Afternoon:

Exploration of Swakopmund:

Spend the afternoon exploring Swakopmund at your own pace, taking in its unique blend of German colonial architecture and seaside charm.

Visit the Swakopmund Museum to learn about the region's history and culture, or browse the shops and boutiques for souvenirs and gifts.

Feel the cool ocean breeze as you walk along the promenade, admiring views of the Atlantic Ocean and watching surfers catch waves.

Optional Activities:

Depending on your interests, consider adding optional activities to your afternoon itinerary.

Take a thrilling ride on a quad bike or try your hand at sandboarding on the nearby sand dunes, feeling the rush of adrenaline as you race across the desert landscape.

Alternatively, book a scenic boat cruise or kayaking excursion to explore the coastline from the water, spotting marine life such as seals, dolphins, and seabirds along the way.

Evening:

Dinner at The Strand Hotel:

Return to The Strand Hotel for dinner at the hotel's restaurant, where you can enjoy a gourmet meal prepared with fresh, locally sourced ingredients.

Indulge in seafood specialties, grilled meats, or vegetarian dishes, accompanied by fine wines and attentive service.

Stargazing on the Beach:

After dinner, take a romantic stroll along the beach, hand in hand with your companion.

Find a secluded spot to sit and gaze up at the stars, feeling the cool sand beneath you and listening to the sound of waves crashing against the shore.

Marvel at the brilliance of the night sky, spotting constellations and shooting stars as you enjoy a quiet moment together under the vast expanse of the Namibian heavens.

Basis
Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities
All Local Brands (Spirits, Wine and Beers) Included

Day 17: Onguma The Fort, Onguma Game Reserve

Onguma Game Reserve
Situated east of Etosha, bordering Fisher's Pan, Onguma Game Reserve is one of Namibia's best-kept secrets. The reserve offers visitors the opportunity to experience Africa in all her beauty and diversity. Onguma Game Reserve features over 34000 hectares of protected land scattered with a variety of wildlife including plains game, black rhino, kudu, giraffe, zebra, lion, cheetah, leopard and more than 300 bird species. The seasonal rains attract thousands of migrating birds to the Fisher’s Pan wetland area. The neighbouring Etosha National Park is home to a rich array of wildlife, including four of the Big 5. Visitors can enjoy game drives, guided walks and rhino research drives within the private reserve as well as wildlife safaris into Etosha National Park to view abundant game in the largest national park in Namibia.

Day Itinerary
Wake-Up Call

Enjoy the stunning views of the Atlantic Ocean from your room.

Refresh with a quick shower and get ready for an adventurous day.

Breakfast at Strand Hotel

Indulge in a hearty breakfast at the hotel’s Ocean Cellar restaurant.

Savor freshly baked bread, tropical fruits, and a selection of local Namibian dishes.

Don’t miss out on trying some traditional biltong and freshly brewed coffee.

Transfer to Swakopmund Airport

A private car will pick you up from the hotel.

Enjoy the scenic drive through the coastal town of Swakopmund.

Mid-Morning: Chartered Flight to Onguma The Fort Lodge

Arrival at Swakopmund Airport

Check-in for your chartered flight.

Capture the excitement of boarding a small aircraft.

Flight to Onguma The Fort Lodge

Enjoy aerial views of the Namib Desert and Etosha National Park.

Marvel at the shifting sands and expansive landscapes below.

Arrival at Onguma The Fort Lodge

Be greeted with a refreshing welcome drink.

Take a moment to soak in the luxurious and rustic ambiance of the lodge.

Late Morning: Exploring Onguma The Fort Lodge

Check-in and Orientation

Settle into your room with panoramic views of the Etosha Pans.

Receive a brief orientation about the lodge and the activities planned for the day.

Relaxation and Leisure Time

Unwind on your private veranda with binoculars for wildlife spotting.

Enjoy the serene sounds of nature and the distant calls of wildlife.

Noon: Lunch at The Fort Lodge

Gourmet Lunch

Head to the lodge's dining area for a sumptuous lunch.

Delight in a variety of gourmet dishes, featuring local ingredients.

Relish the flavours of Namibia with dishes such as oryx steak and fresh salads.

Early Afternoon: Safari Game Drive

Afternoon Game Drive

Meet your guide and embark on a thrilling safari drive.

Explore the diverse landscapes of Etosha National Park.

Encounter elephants, lions, rhinos, and an array of antelope species.

Sundowner Experience

Stop at a picturesque spot for sundowners.

Enjoy snacks and drinks while watching the sun set over the savannah.

Capture the breathtaking moment with your camera.

Late Afternoon: Return to The Fort Lodge

Return to the Lodge

Freshen up in your room after an exciting game drive.

Take a leisurely stroll around the lodge's grounds.

Evening: Dinner and Night Safari

Dinner under the Stars

Dine at the lodge's outdoor area, illuminated by lanterns and the starry sky.

Feast on a multi-course meal, with options like grilled game meat and vegetable stews.

Enjoy a selection of fine South African wines.

Night Safari Drive

Set out for a night safari to discover the nocturnal wildlife.

Experience the thrill of spotting animals like leopards and hyenas in the dark.

Return and Relaxation

Return to the lodge and unwind in the lounge or by the fire pit.

Share stories of the day's adventures with fellow guests or enjoy a quiet moment together.

Night: Retire for the Day

Retire to Your Room

Relax in your luxurious room with the sounds of the African wilderness as your lullaby.

Drift off to sleep, anticipating another day of adventure and discovery.

Overnight: Onguma The Fort

Onguma The Fort is unlike any other, the only one of its kind in Namibia.

It is built in exactly the right spot to give guests probably one of the best sunset views in the whole of Namibia - overlooking the beautiful scarceness of the Etosha Pans, decorated only with its wild animals and hundreds of Camel Thorn trees.





Basis
Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities
All Local Brands (Spirits, Wine and Beers) Included

Day 18: Onguma The Fort, Onguma Game Reserve

Day Itinerary
Morning: Sunrise Safari and Bush Breakfast

Wake Up Call

Start your day early with a gentle wake-up call to catch the breathtaking sunrise over the Etosha National Park. The air is crisp, and the first light of dawn begins to illuminate the African savannah.

Sunrise Safari Drive

Meet your experienced guide at the lodge reception for a private safari drive. The cool morning air carries the scent of dew-covered grass and the distant sounds of the awakening wildlife.

Feel the thrill as your 4x4 vehicle navigates through the rugged terrain. The soft light of the rising sun paints the landscape in hues of orange and gold.

Hear the calls of birds and the rustling of animals starting their day. Your guide will help you spot and identify various wildlife, including lions, elephants, and giraffes.

Bush Breakfast

After an exhilarating safari, stop at a picturesque spot for a bush breakfast.

Taste freshly brewed coffee and a selection of pastries, fruits, and hearty local dishes while soaking in the panoramic views of the savannah.

Enjoy the tranquillity and the symphony of nature's sounds around you.

Mid-Morning: Relaxation and Exploration

Return to the Lodge

Return to Onguma The Fort Lodge and freshen up.

Feel the refreshing water of your private outdoor shower, an invigorating way to wash off the dust of the safari.

Leisure Time by the Pool

Head to the lodge's infinity pool. The pool area offers stunning views over the waterhole where animals come to drink.

Dip your toes in the cool water and relax on a comfortable lounger. The sound of birds and the sight of wildlife at the waterhole enhance the experience.

Savor a refreshing drink from the poolside bar.

Afternoon: Cultural Experience and Spa

Lunch at the Lodge

Enjoy a gourmet lunch at the lodge’s restaurant, featuring local ingredients and flavours.

Taste dishes such as grilled game meat, fresh salads, and traditional Namibian fare. The flavours are rich and earthy, a true reflection of the land.

Visit to a Local Himba Village

Depart for a cultural tour to a nearby Himba village.

Feel the warmth of the sun as you walk through the village. The Himba people, known for their distinctive attire and customs, welcome you with open arms.

Hear the stories and traditions of the Himba from your guide. Experience their way of life through demonstrations of their crafts and daily activities.

Taste traditional Himba food, if offered, and try your hand at making some of their crafts.

Return to the Lodge for Spa Treatment

Head back to the lodge and unwind with a rejuvenating spa treatment.

Feel the skilled hands of the therapist using natural, locally sourced oils and products.

Hear the soothing sounds of nature from the open-air treatment room, enhancing the relaxation experience.

Evening: Sunset Drive and Dinner

Sunset Safari Drive

Embark on another safari drive, this time to witness the stunning African sunset.

Smell the earthy scents of the savannah as the temperature begins to cool.

Watch as the sky changes colours, creating a mesmerizing backdrop for the wildlife.

Sundowners in the Bush

Stop at a scenic spot for sundowners. Sip on chilled drinks and nibble on snacks while watching the sun dip below the horizon.

Feel the cool evening breeze and the serene ambiance as day turns to night.

Return to the Lodge for Dinner

Return to Onguma The Fort Lodge for a sumptuous dinner under the stars.

Taste a gourmet multi-course meal, featuring dishes such as grilled fish, tender beef, and exquisite desserts. The flavours are sophisticated yet grounded in local tradition.

Hear the distant calls of nocturnal animals as you dine, adding a touch of magic to the evening.

Star Gazing

End your day with a star gazing session. The clear Namibian skies offer a spectacular view of the stars and constellations.

Feel the wonder of the universe as you gaze at the night sky, perhaps catching a glimpse of the Milky Way or a shooting star.

Retire to Your Room

Return to your luxurious room at the lodge. The day's adventures have filled your senses with unforgettable experiences.

Drift off to sleep with the sounds of the African night surrounding you, ready for another day of exploration and discovery.

Basis
Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities
All Local Brands (Spirits, Wine and Beers) Included

Day 19: Onguma The Fort, Onguma Game Reserve

Day Itinerary
Morning:

Sunrise Safari Drive

Activity: Guided Safari Drive

Details: Start your day early with a breathtaking sunrise safari drive. Experience the cool morning air and the sights and sounds of the African bush as it awakens. Watch as the golden light of dawn illuminates the landscape, creating perfect photo opportunities.

Sensory Highlights: The smell of fresh morning dew, the sight of wildlife in the soft morning light, and the sound of birds beginning their day.

Bush Breakfast

Activity: Outdoor Bush Breakfast

Details: Return to the lodge for a sumptuous breakfast served outdoors. Enjoy a selection of fresh fruits, pastries, and traditional Namibian dishes while taking in the panoramic views of the surrounding wilderness.

Sensory Highlights: The taste of freshly prepared food, the warmth of the morning sun, and the sight of wildlife at a distance.

Mid-Morning:

Walking Safari

Activity: Guided Walking Safari

Details: Embark on a guided walking safari to explore the flora and smaller fauna of the region. Learn about the ecosystem from your knowledgeable guide and experience the bush up close.

Sensory Highlights: The texture of different plants, the earthy scent of the ground, and the intricate details of insects and smaller animals.

Afternoon:

Leisure Time and Lunch

Activity: Relax and Lunch at The Fort

Details: Return to the lodge for a relaxing lunch. Enjoy a leisurely meal at The Fort's restaurant, which offers a variety of local and international dishes.

Sensory Highlights: The flavours of expertly prepared cuisine, the comfort of plush seating, and the tranquil view of the waterhole.

Siesta and Spa

Activity: Siesta or Spa Treatment

Details: Take a restful siesta in your luxurious room or indulge in a spa treatment. The lodge offers massages and other relaxing therapies.

Sensory Highlights: The soothing touch of a massage, the calming scents of essential oils, and the peaceful atmosphere of the spa.

Late Afternoon:

Photography Session

Activity: Photography Session and Sundowner

Details: Head out with your camera or simply your smartphone for a guided photography session. Capture the stunning landscapes and wildlife as the afternoon light begins to soften. End the session with a sundowner, enjoying a drink while watching the sunset.

Sensory Highlights: The visual beauty of the changing light, the sound of wildlife settling in for the evening, and the taste of a refreshing drink.

Evening:

Evening Game Drive

Activity: Evening Game Drive

Details: Experience the bush in a different light with an evening game drive. Look for nocturnal animals and enjoy the unique ambiance of the African night.

Sensory Highlights: The coolness of the evening air, the glow of the moon and stars, and the thrill of spotting wildlife at night.

Dinner Under the Stars

Activity: Dinner Under the Stars

Details: Conclude your day with a special dinner set up under the starry sky. Enjoy a multi-course meal featuring local ingredients and dishes, paired with fine South African wines.

Sensory Highlights: The taste of exquisite food, the sight of a star-filled sky, and the gentle sounds of the night.

End of Day:

Fireside Relaxation

Activity: Fireside Relaxation

Details: End your day relaxing by the fire pit with a nightcap, sharing stories of your adventures and listening to the distant calls of the wild.

Sensory Highlights: The warmth of the fire, the crackling sound of burning wood, and the serene darkness of the surrounding bush.

Basis
Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities
All Local Brands (Spirits, Wine and Beers) Included

Day 20: Hotel Heinitzburg, Windhoek

Windhoek
As previously described

Day Itinerary
Morning: Safari Game Drive

Wake up to the sounds of the African bush.

Enjoy a light breakfast with fresh fruits, pastries, and local coffee.

Depart for an early morning game drive. Feel the crisp morning air and see the wildlife at their most active. Look out for lions, elephants, rhinos, and giraffes.

Return to the lodge for a hearty brunch with a variety of local dishes and international favourites.

Midday: Relaxation and Exploration

Relax at the lodge, take in the breathtaking views of the Etosha Pan, and perhaps enjoy a guided nature walk. Feel the texture of the wild African plants and the warmth of the midday sun.

Lunch at the lodge, featuring a menu of locally sourced ingredients. Taste the rich flavours of African cuisine.

Afternoon: Private Charter to Windhoek

Prepare for departure. Feel the anticipation of the next leg of your journey.

Board a chartered flight from Onguma to Eros Airport in Windhoek. Enjoy aerial views of the Namibian landscape, with its vast desert and rugged terrain.

Arrive at Eros Airport. The warm African breeze welcomes you.

Transfer to Hotel Heinitzburg

Private transfer from Eros Airport to Hotel Heinitzburg. The drive offers a sensory overload of Windhoek's vibrant cityscape juxtaposed with the surrounding natural beauty.

Check-in at Hotel Heinitzburg. Feel the cool, elegant atmosphere of this historic castle-turned-hotel.

Evening: Windhoek Exploration

Sunset and Dinner

Enjoy a sundowner on the terrace of Hotel Heinitzburg, overlooking the city of Windhoek. The setting sun paints the sky with hues of orange and pink, a sight to behold.

Savor a gourmet dinner at the hotel’s restaurant, Leo’s at the Castle. Indulge in fine dining with a menu that blends European sophistication with African ingredients. Taste local wines paired perfectly with your meal.

Night: Relax and Unwind

Take a leisurely evening stroll through the gardens of Hotel Heinitzburg. The night air is filled with the scents of blooming flowers and the distant sounds of the city winding down.

Retire to your room, where the plush bedding and luxurious amenities ensure a restful night.

Overnight: Hotel Heinitzburg

The Heinitzburg offers 16 spacious generously appointed en-suite rooms, each individually decorated, leaving no two rooms looking the same. Each room has individual air-conditioning / heating unit, direct telephone, electronic safe, mini bar, flat screen TV with satellite channels. The superior deluxe rooms have a bath with integrated showers, whilst the deluxe rooms all have a walk in shower.

At the hotel's serene garden, guests are welcome to relax in a private atmosphere whilst enjoying the refreshing swimming pool (heated in winter).

Hotel Heinitzburg has a variety of dining outlets. There's the gourmet restaurant overlooking the skyline of the city while serving varied cuisine ranging from local to international dishes. The Garden Terrace provides superb view over the city and the surrounding mountains. At the Garden Terrace, meals, coffee and cakes from the patisserie are

served throughout the day while snacks and sundowner cocktails are served at the viewpoint with marvelous vistas of spectacular sunsets. There's also the Wine Cellar which houses a large collection of carefully selected South African vintages. The cellar is built into the mountain rock and is an ideal meeting place.





Basis
Half Board - Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
All Local Brands (Spirits, Wine and Beers) Included

Day 21: One&Only Cape Town, Cape Town

Cape Town
Set at the confluence of the Indian and Atlantic oceans and backed by the iconic Table Mountain, the bustling city of Cape Town presents an alluring combination of drawcards. Incredible powdery white beaches, highly acclaimed wine routes, and astonishingly beautiful mountain trails surround a cosmopolitan hub. This diverse metropolis is filled with superb shops and restaurants, extraordinary heritage monuments, a multitude of entertainment venues, and a spectacular, chic waterfront harbour. Highlights include the Zeitz Museum of Contemporary African Art; Table Mountain's jaw-dropping views; Boulders Beach, where penguins might swim right up to you in the warm Indian ocean waters; the Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens, where you can walk along a treetop canopy among incredible native flora or watch an open-air concert at the base of the mountain; Robben Island, where visitors can see the cell where Nelson Mandela was imprisoned for 18 years; and many more.

Day Itinerary
Early Morning Safari

Pickup: Be ready at the Hotel Heinitzburg lobby.

Destination: Head out to a nearby game reserve, such as the Okapuka Ranch or the Daan Viljoen Game Reserve.

Experience: Enjoy a 3-hour guided safari drive. Feel the crisp morning air, hear the calls of birds, see the wildlife including antelopes, zebras, giraffes, and possibly rhinos and cheetahs. The scents of the bushveld and the earth’s freshness after the night add to the immersive experience.

Refreshments: Enjoy a light breakfast in the bush, featuring freshly brewed coffee, pastries, and local fruits.

Return to Hotel Heinitzburg

Relaxation: Freshen up and relax at the hotel. Take a stroll through the lush gardens or enjoy panoramic views of Windhoek from the hotel terrace.

Lunch at Leo's at the Castle

Ambiance: Dine at the hotel's renowned restaurant, Leo's at the Castle. The elegant setting provides stunning views of the city.

Cuisine: Savor a gourmet meal featuring Namibian specialties. The menu might include dishes like kudu carpaccio, springbok loin, or fresh fish from the Atlantic coast. Pair your meal with a selection of fine South African wines.

Spa and Leisure Time

Spa Treatment: Indulge in a rejuvenating spa treatment at the hotel's wellness centre. Opt for a massage or a beauty treatment that uses local ingredients, leaving you refreshed and relaxed.

Leisure: Spend some time lounging by the pool or exploring the historic architecture and art within the hotel.

Transfer to Hosea Kutako International Airport

Departure: A private transfer will take you to the airport for your flight to Cape Town. The drive takes about 40 minutes, allowing you to enjoy the scenic Namibian landscape one last time.

Flight to Cape Town

Flight Duration: Approximately 2 hours.

In-Flight: Relax and enjoy the service aboard your flight, reflecting on the morning's adventure.

Cape Town, South Africa: Arrival and Leisure

Arrival in Cape Town

Transfer: Upon arrival at Cape Town International Airport, a private transfer will take you to the One&Only Cape Town, located on the V&A Waterfront.

Check-in at One&Only Cape Town

Welcome: Receive a warm welcome with refreshing drinks and a quick check-in process.

Accommodation: Settle into your luxurious room with views of Table Mountain or the marina. The room will be equipped with all modern comforts and amenities to ensure a restful stay.

Dinner at Nobu Restaurant

Dining Experience: Enjoy an exquisite dinner at Nobu, one of the hotel's acclaimed restaurants. The menu features innovative Japanese-Peruvian cuisine by renowned Chef Nobu Matsuhisa. Delight your taste buds with dishes like Black Cod Miso, Yellowtail Jalapeño, and a selection of sushi and sashimi.

Ambiance: The elegant and contemporary setting offers a perfect ambiance for a relaxing evening meal.

Evening at Leisure

Leisure Options: After dinner, you may choose to explore the vibrant V&A Waterfront, which is a short stroll away. Enjoy the lively atmosphere, do some shopping, or relax with a nightcap at the hotel's bar.

Rest: Retire to your room for a good night's sleep, with the sounds of the city and the harbour as your backdrop.

Overnight: One&Only Cape Town
Welcome to the doorstep of Africa, where One&Only Cape Town takes pride of place in the city's most coveted location. Draw back the blinds in one of the city's most capacious rooms to reveal a sprawling private terrace with majestic views over Table Mountain or the glittering marina.

Relax in private accommodations where signature touches provide an elevated residential experience. Inspiring interiors artfully display both contemporary and traditional African aesthetics for a distinctive sense of place.

Lounge by the palm-fringed infinity pool, indulge in restorative treatments at the Spa Island, or sip a crisp glass of One&Only Brut in the Wine Studio. Soak up the buzz of the city at Vista, where live music fills the air and vibrant dishes showcase the flavours of the region. Enjoy glamorous al-fresco dining along the water's edge at world-renowned Nobu – the global name's only outpost in Southern Africa.

However you wish to fill your time, One&Only Cape Town promises special moments of joy that allow guests of all ages to experience the very best of South Africa.





Basis
Bed and Breakfast

Day 22: One&Only Cape Town, Cape Town

Day Itinerary
Wake-Up Call

Experience: Wake up in your luxurious room at the One&Only Cape Town. Open the curtains to breathtaking views of Table Mountain or the marina.

Beverage: Enjoy freshly brewed coffee or tea in your room, paired with a selection of fresh pastries and fruit.

Breakfast at Reuben's

Location: Reuben's at the One&Only Cape Town.

Cuisine: Savor a delicious breakfast buffet featuring a variety of local and international dishes. Taste the rich flavours of fresh, locally sourced ingredients while enjoying the elegant ambiance of the restaurant.

Transfer to Table Mountain Aerial Cableway

Pickup: A private vehicle will take you to the base of Table Mountain.

Experience: As you ascend the mountain in the rotating cable car, take in panoramic views of the city, ocean, and surrounding mountains.

Explore Table Mountain

Activity: Once at the top, explore the various walking paths and lookouts. Feel the cool mountain breeze, hear the calls of birds, and enjoy the fragrant scents of the fynbos vegetation.

Scenery: Take in the breathtaking 360-degree views of Cape Town, Robben Island, and the Cape Peninsula.

Transfer to Bo-Kaap

Drive: A short drive takes you to the vibrant Bo-Kaap neighbourhood, known for its colourful houses and rich cultural heritage.

Bo-Kaap Walking Tour

Experience: Stroll through the picturesque streets of Bo-Kaap, with its brightly painted houses and cobblestone roads. Learn about the history and culture of the Cape Malay community.

Visit: Stop by the Bo-Kaap Museum to deepen your understanding of the area’s heritage.

Cape Malay Cooking Class and Lunch

Location: A local home or cooking studio in Bo-Kaap.

Activity: Participate in a hands-on Cape Malay cooking class. Learn to prepare traditional dishes like samosas, bobotie, and rotis. The rich aromas of spices and herbs fill the air as you cook.

Lunch: Enjoy the meal you’ve prepared, savouring the unique flavours of Cape Malay cuisine.

Afternoon:

Transfer to Kirstenbosch National Botanical Garden

Drive: A scenic drive through Cape Town's neighbourhoods and lush greenery.

Explore Kirstenbosch National Botanical Garden

Sensory Experience: Wander through the expansive gardens, where you can touch and smell a variety of native plants and flowers. Listen to the sounds of birds and the rustling leaves as you explore the various themed areas.

Highlights: Visit the Boomslang Canopy Walkway for a bird’s-eye view of the garden, and the fragrance garden for a sensory treat.

Transfer to Camps Bay

Drive: A short, scenic drive to the stunning Camps Bay beach.

Relax at Camps Bay Beach

Experience: Walk along the sandy beach, feel the cool Atlantic Ocean breeze, and dip your toes in the water. The vibrant atmosphere, with cafes and restaurants lining the beach, adds to the sensory delight.

Sundowners at The Bungalow

Location: The Bungalow, a chic seaside restaurant and bar in Clifton.

Drinks: Enjoy a refreshing cocktail or a glass of South African wine. The sophisticated atmosphere and stunning sunset views over the ocean provide a perfect setting to unwind.

Dinner at Nobu Restaurant

Location: Nobu, located within the One&Only Cape Town.

Cuisine: Indulge in a gourmet dinner featuring innovative Japanese-Peruvian cuisine by renowned Chef Nobu Matsuhisa. The rich flavours, exquisite presentation, and sophisticated ambiance make for an unforgettable dining experience.

Menu Highlights: Try signature dishes like Black Cod Miso, Yellowtail Jalapeño, and a selection of sushi and sashimi.

Nightcap: Enjoy a nightcap at the hotel's bar or in the comfort of your room. Reflect on the day's adventures and look forward to the next day in Cape Town.

Rest: Retire to your luxurious room for a restful night's sleep, with the tranquil sounds of the city and the harbour as your backdrop.

Basis
Bed and Breakfast

Day 23: One&Only Cape Town, Cape Town

Day Itinerary
Wake-Up Call

Experience: Wake up in your luxurious room at the One&Only Cape Town. Open the curtains to breathtaking views of Table Mountain or the marina.

Beverage: Enjoy freshly brewed coffee or tea in your room, paired with a selection of fresh pastries and fruit.

Breakfast at Reuben's

Location: Reuben's at the One&Only Cape Town.

Cuisine: Savor a delicious breakfast buffet featuring a variety of local and international dishes. Taste the rich flavours of fresh, locally sourced ingredients while enjoying the elegant ambiance of the restaurant.

Transfer to V&A Waterfront

Pickup: A private vehicle will take you to the V&A Waterfront.

Ferry to Robben Island

Experience: Board the ferry to Robben Island. The ferry ride offers stunning views of Cape Town and Table Mountain from the water.

Sensory Experience: Feel the cool breeze, hear the waves, and see the cityscape from a new perspective.

Robben Island Tour

History and Culture: Explore the island with a guided tour that includes a visit to the prison where Nelson Mandela was held. Hear stories of the island's history and its significance in South Africa's journey to democracy.

Sensory Experience: Feel the sea breeze, listen to the guide's narratives, and see the preserved prison cells and historical buildings.

Return to V&A Waterfront

Experience: Enjoy the ferry ride back, taking in the fresh ocean air and panoramic views of the city.

Transfer to Simon's Town

Drive: A scenic drive along the False Bay coast to Simon's Town, home to the famous Boulders Beach.

Lunch at Seaforth Restaurant

Location: Seaforth Restaurant, near Boulders Beach.

Cuisine: Enjoy a seafood lunch with fresh local fish, calamari, and other ocean delights. The flavours and aromas of the seafood dishes are complemented by the scenic ocean views.

Ambiance: The restaurant's location by the sea provides a relaxing and picturesque setting.

Afternoon:

Visit Boulders Beach

Experience: Walk along the boardwalks to see the famous African penguin colony. Get up close to these charming birds in their natural habitat.

Sensory Delight: Hear the distinctive calls of the penguins, see them waddling and swimming, and smell the salty sea air.

Transfer to Cape Point

Drive: A beautiful drive through the Cape Peninsula National Park, taking in the rugged coastline and pristine landscapes.

Explore Cape Point

Activity: Take the Flying Dutchman Funicular to the old lighthouse for spectacular views of the Atlantic Ocean. Explore the paths and lookout points.

Sensory Experience: Feel the wind, listen to the waves crashing against the cliffs, and take in the expansive ocean views.

Return to One&Only Cape Town

Drive: Relax on the scenic drive back to the hotel, reflecting on the day's experiences.

Evening:

Sundowners at Vista Bar & Lounge

Drinks: Enjoy sundowners at the Vista Bar & Lounge in your hotel. The sophisticated atmosphere, with panoramic views of Table Mountain, offers the perfect setting to unwind.

Ambiance: The elegant setting and the changing colors of the sky as the sun sets provide a sensory feast.

Dinner at Nobu Restaurant

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Menu Highlights: Try signature dishes like Black Cod Miso, Yellowtail Jalapeño, and a selection of sushi and sashimi.

Nightcap: Enjoy a nightcap at the hotel’s bar or in the comfort of your room. Reflect on the day’s adventures and look forward to the next day in Cape Town.

Rest: Retire to your luxurious room for a restful night's sleep, with the tranquil sounds of the city and the harbour as your backdrop.

Basis
Bed and Breakfast

Day 24: One&Only Cape Town, Cape Town

Day Itinerary
Rise and Shine: Start your day with a picturesque sunrise over Table Mountain as you indulge in a leisurely breakfast at the One&Only Cape Town. Enjoy a selection of fresh fruits, pastries, and aromatic coffee to kickstart your day.

Departure: After breakfast, embark on your journey to the Cape Winelands, a scenic drive filled with sprawling vineyards and majestic mountain views.

Winery Tour and Tasting: Arrive at your first destination, a renowned winery nestled in the heart of Stellenbosch. Take a guided tour of the estate, exploring the vineyards, cellar, and production facilities. Immerse yourself in the rich history and winemaking traditions of the region, followed by a curated wine tasting experience. Let the flavors dance on your palate as you sample a selection of award-winning wines, expertly paired with local cheeses and chocolates.

Midday:

Gourmet Lunch in Franschhoek: After your winery tour, head to the charming town of Franschhoek, known as the culinary capital of South Africa. Enjoy a sumptuous lunch at a top-rated restaurant, where farm-fresh ingredients and

innovative flavors take center stage. Savor each bite as you indulge in a culinary journey inspired by the vibrant local cuisine. Pair your meal with a glass of exquisite wine, perfectly complementing the flavors of the Winelands.

Afternoon:

Explore Franschhoek: After lunch, take some time to explore the quaint streets of Franschhoek. Stroll hand in hand with your companion as you admire the historic Cape Dutch architecture, boutique shops, and art galleries that line the charming main street. Take in the picturesque beauty of the surrounding vineyards and mountains, capturing memorable moments along the way.

Scenic Drive: As the afternoon unfolds, embark on a scenic drive through the lush countryside, soaking in the breathtaking landscapes of the Cape Winelands. Wind your way through verdant valleys and rolling hills, pausing to take in panoramic vistas and capture the beauty of the natural surroundings.

Evening:

Sunset Wine Tasting: As the golden hour approaches, make your way to a boutique winery perched atop a hillside, offering sweeping views of the valley below. Savor a special sunset wine-tasting experience, sampling a curated selection of premium wines as you watch the sun dip below the horizon, painting the sky in vibrant hues of orange and pink.

Dinner at the One&Only Cape Town: Return to the One&Only Cape Town for a romantic dinner overlooking the glittering waterfront. Indulge in a gourmet feast crafted by the hotel's acclaimed chefs, featuring the finest local ingredients and inspired culinary creations. Toast to an unforgettable day in the Cape Winelands as you savour each exquisite bite and cherish the memories made together.

Retreat to the comfort of your luxurious room, where sweet dreams await after a day filled with sensory delights in the Cape Winelands.

Basis
Bed and Breakfast

Day 25: The Marine, Hermanus

Hermanus
Situated just 140 kilometres from Cape Town and built between the beautiful shores of Walker Bay, Hermanus has grown from a small seaside resort town to become arguably the best-known place for whale watching in the world. This town is also famed for its natural scenic beauty, featuring long stretches of pristine beaches. An excellent variety of restaurants, cafes and bars are also on offer. Today, Hermanus is more than just a popular holiday destination and offers visitors all kinds of activities, both energetic and relaxing. Visitors can explore the Old Harbour Museum, which is comprised of the charming fisherman’s village, the old harbour, and the Whale House Museum; hike through the nearby Fernkloof Nature Reserve, and sample an array of top-quality wine along the famous Hermanus Wine Route.

Day Itinerary
Morning:

Pickup from One&Only Cape Town

Your guide will meet you at the One&Only Cape Town, ready to embark on your scenic journey to Hermanus.

Departure to Hermanus

Sit back and relax as you drive along the beautiful coastal route from Cape Town to Hermanus. Marvel at the rugged cliffs, pristine beaches, and panoramic ocean views along the way.

Arrival in Hermanus

Upon reaching Hermanus, your senses will be awakened by the crisp sea air and the sight of the majestic ocean stretching out before you.

Whale Watching Excursion

Join a guided whale-watching tour led by experienced local experts. Board a boat and venture out into Walker Bay, known as one of the best places in the world to see southern right whales.

Sensory Delight: Feel the thrill as you spot these magnificent creatures breaching, spouting, and playing in the ocean. Listen to the soothing sounds of the waves and the calls of seabirds overhead. The sight of the whales against the backdrop of the ocean is a truly unforgettable experience.

Lunch at a Local Restaurant

After your exhilarating whale-watching adventure, enjoy a delicious seafood lunch at one of Hermanus' charming restaurants. Indulge in fresh catch-of-the-day dishes while soaking in the coastal atmosphere.

Afternoon:

Explore Hermanus

Take a leisurely stroll along the scenic cliff paths of Hermanus. Keep an eye out for other marine life such as seals and dolphins that frequent the area.

Sensory Experience: Feel the gentle sea breeze on your skin, listen to the soothing sounds of the waves crashing against the shore, and breathe in the salty sea air.

Check-in at The Marine Hermanus

Arrive at The Marine Hermanus, your luxurious accommodation for the night. Settle into your room with breathtaking views of Walker Bay.

Evening:

Sunset Drinks

Head to the hotel's terrace or bar to enjoy a refreshing drink as you watch the sunset over the ocean. The golden hues of the sunset reflecting on the water create a mesmerizing sight.

Dinner at The Marine Restaurant

Experience a culinary delight at The Marine Restaurant, renowned for its gourmet cuisine showcasing fresh local ingredients and innovative flavours. Indulge in a sumptuous dinner paired with fine wines, accompanied by the soothing sounds of the ocean.

Evening Relaxation

After dinner, unwind in the comfort of your room or take a moonlit stroll along the beach before retiring for the night.

Overnight: The Marine

The Marine, a member of The Liz McGrath Collection, is one of South Africa's most spectacular seaside hotels. Located on Hermanus' famous cliff path, overlooking the breathtaking Walker Bay, the Small Luxury Hotels of the World property offers visitors the unique opportunity to experience the finest land-based whale watching in the world from June to November each year. Guests are even able to view these majestic creatures from their own sea-view bedroom. The Overberg region is also a must for adventure sport seekers, offering a host of activities – including hiking, mountain biking and marine sports. Back at the hotel, guests can indulge in exceptional culinary delights.





Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 26: Fancourt Hotel, George

George

Resting in a fertile valley of the majestic Outeniqua Mountains, along South Africa's world-famous Garden Route, the historic city of George is the sixth oldest town in the country and was once a woodcutter's outpost. Today, this is the commercial hub of the Garden Route. Surrounded by endless beaches, soaring mountains, and glittering lakes, and is a haven for nature lovers and adventurers, while providing all the luxuries of a modern town, including a great number of excellent restaurants and shops, and a large mall. Visitors can play a round of golf on a variety of championship courses, discover local history at the fascinating George Museum and visit the Garden Route Botanical Garden, which features sublime trails and brightly-coloured local fynbos plants.

Day Itinerary

Morning: Departure from Hermanus

Meet your guide and depart from The Marine Hermanus.

As you leave Hermanus, breathe in the fresh coastal air and enjoy the scenic drive along the Whale Coast Route.

Stop 1: Stony Point Penguin Colony

Arrive at Stony Point Penguin Colony in Betty's Bay.

Take a leisurely stroll along the boardwalks amidst the African penguins.

Feel the cool ocean breeze and listen to the cacophony of penguin calls echoing against the cliffs.

Stop 2: Harold Porter Botanical Gardens

Visit Harold Porter Botanical Gardens in Betty's Bay.

Wander through the lush gardens filled with indigenous fynbos and fragrant blooms.

Pause by the serene streams and listen to the gentle trickle of water amidst the verdant surroundings.

Lunch: Swellendam

Arrive in Swellendam and enjoy a delectable lunch at a local restaurant.

Indulge in traditional South African flavours while soaking in the charming ambiance of this historic town.

Afternoon: En route to George

Resume your journey towards George, traversing through the picturesque landscapes of the Garden Route.

Feel the warmth of the sun on your skin and admire the ever-changing vistas of mountains, forests, and valleys.

Stop 3: Garden Route Game Lodge

Arrive at Garden Route Game Lodge for an exhilarating safari experience.

Embark on a guided game drive through the African bushveld.

Listen intently for the calls of wildlife and feel the thrill of spotting elephants, lions, giraffes, and more in their natural habitat.

Evening: Arrival at Fancourt George

Arrive at Fancourt George, a luxurious estate nestled in the heart of the Garden Route.

Check into your accommodation and unwind amidst the elegant surroundings.

Reflect on the day's sensory adventures over a sumptuous dinner, recounting the sights, sounds, and scents of Africa.

Conclusion

As the day comes to a close, relish in the memories of your sensory journey from Hermanus to George, enriched by the diverse experiences of South Africa's natural beauty and wildlife.

Overnight: Fancourt Hotel

Fancourt, South Africa’s premier lifestyle resort, is nestled in the heart of South Africa’s Garden Route, 7 km from George Airport. The resort lies on 613 hectares of pristine countryside sheltered by the Outeniqua Mountains.

The Fancourt Hotel offers the discerning visitor 115 luxurious rooms and suites. These are perfectly suited for local and international families, couples, golfers and those simply looking for a warm, relaxed and entertaining Garden Route retreat.

Discover Fancourt's many leisure activities including The Spa with an indoor heated Roman Bath and world class wellness treatments. The Leisure Centre offers an array of facilities and activities to keep guests of all ages and interests entertained. The Centre houses the popular Kidz Club, teen lounge, gymnasium, cinema, indoor heated and outdoor swimming pool. Outdoor enthusiasts can enjoy tennis, running and walking trails, bird watching and fishing. Four top restaurants each offer a distinctive dining experience to appeal to every palate.

For keen golfers, Fancourt needs no introduction. There are three Gary Player designed golf courses as well as a Golf Academy.

Fancourt is an ideal base from which to explore the Garden Route.





Basis
Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch
All Local Brands (Spirits, Wine and Beers) Included

Day 27: Radisson Blu Port Elizabeth, Port Elizabeth

Port Elizabeth
Set on Algoa Bay in South Africa's Eastern Cape Province, Port Elizabeth also referred to as PE, is known as the Friendly City as well as the Windy City. Port Elizabeth was established to home British settlers who were brought out on a government-sponsored programme to provide a buffer between the Cape Dutch and the Xhosa conflict. The little port grew from there and today it is the gateway to the beautiful Garden Route and serves as an excellent base to explore the Eastern Cape's magnificent game reserves and pristine beaches. Visitors can explore the Addo Elephant National Park, inhabited by hundreds of elephants and other wildlife; climb the area's largest dune at Maitland's Beach, and jump on a boat tour to spot rare seabirds and whales.

Day Itinerary
Morning: Departure from Fancourt George

Meet your guide and set out on a journey from Fancourt George to Port Elizabeth.

As you depart, breathe in the crisp morning air and anticipate the adventures ahead.

Stop 1: Outeniqua Pass

Traverse the picturesque Outeniqua Pass, revelling in the beauty of the mountainous terrain.

Pause at designated viewpoints to soak in breathtaking vistas of valleys, forests, and distant horizons.

Feel the cool mountain breeze on your skin as you admire the natural splendour around you.

Stop 2: Tsitsikamma Canopy Tour

Arrive at Tsitsikamma Canopy Tour for an exhilarating zipline adventure through ancient forests.

Glide through the treetops, taking in bird's-eye views of lush vegetation and cascading waterfalls.

Listen to the sounds of the forest canopy, from the chirping of birds to the rustle of leaves in the breeze.

Lunch: Joubertina

Enjoy a delicious lunch at a local restaurant in Joubertina, a charming town nestled amidst rolling hills.

Indulge in farm-fresh ingredients and regional delicacies, tantalizing your taste buds with authentic South African flavours.

Afternoon: En route to Port Elizabeth

Resume your journey towards Port Elizabeth, traversing through the scenic landscapes of the Eastern Cape.

Feel the warmth of the sun on your face as you pass by sweeping vistas of farmlands and coastal plains.

Stop 3: Van Stadens Wildflower Reserve

Explore Van Stadens Wildflower Reserve, renowned for its diverse floral displays.

Take a leisurely stroll along nature trails, surrounded by a riot of colors from indigenous flowers and plants.

Inhale the fragrant aromas of wildflowers, mingled with the salty breeze from the nearby coastline.

Evening: Arrival at Radisson Blu Port Elizabeth

Arrive at Radisson Blu Port Elizabeth, a luxurious waterfront hotel overlooking Algoa Bay.

Check into your accommodation and unwind with panoramic views of the ocean.

Reflect on the sensory journey from Fancourt George to Port Elizabeth, filled with memorable experiences and natural wonders.

Conclusion

As the day comes to a close, savour the sensory richness of your adventure, from the soaring heights of ziplining to the tranquil beauty of wildflower reserves, leaving you eager for the safari experiences awaiting you at Addo Elephant Park the next day.

Overnight: Radisson Blu Port Elizabeth

Situated just 300 meters from beautiful Blue Flag beaches, our Port Elizabeth Hotel offers sweeping views of the Indian Ocean, while its city center location provides easy access to shopping, golf and entertainment. The hotel's chic décor flows throughout the accommodation, including its 173 stylish rooms and suites – all complete with free high-speed Wi-Fi and minibars.

Dine at the Tabú Grill, where you'll bask in views of the Indian Ocean as you indulge in flavorful grilled dishes and an expansive selection of wines. Keep up with your fitness routine in our gym, or head to the Amani Spa to unwind. Our meeting facilities can accommodate up to 180 guests and are ideal for corporate retreats, seminars or personal events.





Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
Tea and Coffee Included

Day 28: Gorah Elephant Camp, Addo Elephant National Park

Addo Elephant National Park

Set in the enchanting Eastern Cape Province of South Africa, the Addo Elephant National Park is the country's third largest national park and offers a truly unforgettable safari experience. This finely-tuned ecosystem provides a sanctuary to large numbers of elephant, lion, buffalo, black rhino, spotted hyena, leopard, antelope, zebra and over 400 bird species. This unique park is the world's only park with the 'Big 7' - the Big 5 plus the southern right whale and great white shark off the coast of the Algoa Bay. Spend your days marvelling at the free-roaming wildlife, enjoy exhilarating 4x4 safari adventures, exciting horse riding excursions, and wonderful night drives where you are likely to spot some fascinating nocturnal wildlife. Famed for its large herds of elephant, Addo provides an ideal, tranquil retreat for those looking to escape the stresses of big city living.

Day Itinerary

Morning: Departure from Radisson Blu Port Elizabeth

Meet your guide and begin your journey from Port Elizabeth to Gorah Camp.

As you depart, breathe in the fresh morning air and feel the excitement of the adventure ahead.

Stop 1: Alexandria Dune Fields

Explore the Alexandria Dune Fields, a vast expanse of coastal sand dunes.

Take a guided walk through the dunes, feeling the soft sand beneath your feet and the warm sun on your skin.

Marvel at panoramic views of the Indian Ocean, a sensory delight for your eyes and soul.

Lunch: Gorah Camp

Arrive at Gorah Camp, a luxurious tented safari camp nestled in Addo Elephant National Park.

Enjoy a delectable lunch amidst the tranquil surroundings of the camp, with the sounds of nature as your backdrop.

Savor the flavours of freshly-prepared cuisine, inspired by local ingredients and served with warm hospitality.

Afternoon: Game Drive at Gorah Camp

Embark on an exhilarating afternoon game drive in Addo Elephant National Park.

Join experienced rangers in search of iconic African wildlife, including elephants, lions, and buffalo.

Listen to the sounds of the bush, from the trumpeting of elephants to the calls of birds filling the air.

Conclusion

As the sun begins to set, reflect on the sensory richness of your day tour from Port Elizabeth to Gorah Camp, filled with memorable experiences and natural wonders. Bid farewell to your guide, knowing that unforgettable safari adventures await you in the heart of the African wilderness.

Overnight: Gorah Elephant Camp

The incomparable thrill of quietly observing a passing herd of elephant while being served tea on the verandah of a stately Colonial manor house is the stuff of dreams and legends - at Gorah it's an everyday occurrence. This exclusive safari lodge recaptures the romantic mystique of authentic safari of centuries past - the awesome natural world of Africa merged with colonial nostalgia and modern sophistication to deliver an unforgettably unique 5 star adventure.





Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 29: Gorah Elephant Camp, Addo Elephant National Park

Day Itinerary

Morning: Rise and Shine

Wake up to the sounds of the African bush as dawn breaks over Addo Elephant National Park.

Enjoy a light breakfast before setting out on your morning safari adventure.

Activity 1: Sunrise Game Drive

Embark on a thrilling sunrise game drive with experienced rangers.

Traverse the savannah plains and bushveld in search of the park's iconic wildlife, including elephants, lions, and antelopes.

Feel the crisp morning air on your skin as the landscape comes alive with the colors of sunrise.

Bush Breakfast

Pause for a bush breakfast amidst the wilderness of Addo Elephant National Park.

Delight in a spread of freshly-prepared breakfast dishes served under the shade of acacia trees.

Listen to the symphony of birdsong and the rustle of leaves as you savour your meal in nature's embrace.

Midday: Relax and Rejuvenate

Return to Gorah Camp and take some time to relax and unwind in the comfort of your luxury tent.

Take a refreshing shower or simply lounge on your private veranda, soaking in the sights and sounds of the surrounding bushveld.

Afternoon: Bush Walk or Spa Treatment

Option 1: Bush Walk

Join a guided bush walk led by experienced rangers, offering an intimate exploration of the flora and fauna of Addo Elephant National Park.

Feel the soft earth beneath your feet as you walk along ancient elephant paths and learn about the park's diverse ecosystem.

Option 2: Spa Treatment

Indulge in a rejuvenating spa treatment at Gorah Camp's onsite spa.

Let skilled therapists pamper you with massages and wellness rituals, soothing your body and soul after a day of safari adventures.

Evening: Sundowner and Dinner

Head out on a sunset game drive to witness the beauty of the African sunset.

Sip on sundowner drinks as you watch the sky ablaze with fiery hues, bidding farewell to another day in the bush.

Return to camp for a gourmet dinner served under the starlit sky, recounting the day's sensory experiences amidst the sounds of the African night.

Conclusion

As the day comes to a close, reflect on the sensory richness of your safari adventure at Gorah Camp, from the thrill of game drives to the serenity of bush walks and spa treatments, leaving you with unforgettable memories of the African wilderness.

Basis
Bed and Breakfast

Day 30: Gorah Elephant Camp, Addo Elephant National Park

Day Itinerary
Morning: Morning Safari Excursion

Wake up early for another exciting day of safari adventures.

Enjoy a light breakfast before heading out on your morning game drive.

Activity 1: Morning Game Drive

Set out on a morning game drive with experienced rangers, exploring different areas of Addo Elephant National Park.

Keep your senses sharp as you search for wildlife sightings, from herds of elephants to elusive predators like lions and leopards.

Feel the anticipation build as the bush comes to life with the sights and sounds of the morning.

Activity 2: Birdwatching

Take a break from game viewing to indulge in a session of birdwatching.

Join knowledgeable guides for a birdwatching excursion, spotting a variety of avian species endemic to the park.

Listen to the melodious calls of birds filling the air, from colourful sunbirds to majestic eagles soaring overhead.

Midday: Leisure Time

Return to Gorah Camp and enjoy some leisure time at your own pace.

Relax in the comfort of your luxury tent or take a dip in the camp's refreshing pool, surrounded by the sights and sounds of the African bush.

Afternoon: Cultural Experience or Photography Safari

Option 1: Cultural Experience

Immerse yourself in local culture with a visit to a nearby community.

Engage with residents, learn about their traditions and way of life, and perhaps participate in traditional dances or crafts.

Option 2: Photography Safari

Join a specialized photography safari led by experienced guides.

Capture stunning images of wildlife and landscapes under the guidance of expert photographers, honing your skills and creating lasting memories.

Evening: Farewell Bush Dinner

Gather for a farewell bush dinner under the starlit sky, surrounded by the ambiance of the African wilderness.

Indulge in a gourmet feast prepared with local ingredients, accompanied by storytelling and entertainment around a crackling campfire.

Reflect on the sensory journey of your safari adventure at Gorah Camp, sharing highlights and memories with fellow travellers and guides.

Conclusion

As the night deepens and the sounds of the bush fill the air, cherish the sensory richness of your two days at Gorah Camp, from the thrill of game drives to the tranquillity of birdwatching and cultural experiences, leaving you with cherished memories of your safari adventure in Africa.

Basis
Bed and Breakfast

Day 31: End of Itinerary

Day Itinerary
Morning: Final Safari Adventure

Rise early for your last morning in the bush, savouring the anticipation of one final safari excursion.

Enjoy a light breakfast before embarking on your game drive.

Activity: Last Morning Game Drive

Set out on a memorable game drive through Addo Elephant National Park, guided by experienced rangers.

Keep your senses alert as you search for wildlife sightings, from majestic elephants to graceful antelopes and elusive predators.

Absorb the sights, sounds, and scents of the African bush one last time, immersing yourself in the magic of the wilderness.

Mid-Morning: Farewell Breakfast

Return to Gorah Camp for a farewell breakfast, served with warm hospitality amidst the tranquil surroundings of the camp.

Reflect on the adventures and memories shared during your stay, surrounded by the sights and sounds of the African bush.

Transfer to Port Elizabeth Airport

After breakfast, bid farewell to Gorah Camp and embark on a private transfer to Port Elizabeth Airport.

Enjoy a scenic drive through the Eastern Cape, soaking in the final glimpses of South Africa's diverse landscapes.

Arrive at Port Elizabeth Airport in time for your onward flight, whether to Cape Town or Johannesburg for your international journey back home.

Conclusion

As you board your flight, carry with you the sensory richness and cherished memories of your safari adventure at Gorah Camp and Addo Elephant National Park, knowing that the spirit of Africa will forever linger in your heart. Safe travels and until we meet again! Remembering all to well why we say " Awesome XXXX XXXXX Safaris"!

Basis
Bed and Breakfast

Transport

Flight Information

Date	Flight	Airline	Departure Airport	Time	Arrival Airport	Time	Class	Ref
	Scheduled		OR Tambo International Airport [JNB]		andBeyond Ngala Safari Lodge			
	Scheduled		Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport [MQP]		Victoria Falls International Airport [VFA]			
	Charter Flight		Victoria Falls International Airport [VFA]		andBeyond Chobe Under Canvas			
	Charter Flight		andBeyond Chobe Under Canvas		andBeyond Sandibe Okavango Safari Lodge			
	Charter Flight		andBeyond Sandibe Okavango Safari Lodge		Hosea Kutako International Airport [WDH]			
	Charter Flight		Windhoek Eros Airport [ERS]		andBeyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge			
	Scheduled		andBeyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge		Swakopmund Airport [SWP]			
	Charter Flight		Swakopmund Airport [SWP]		Onguma The Fort			
	Charter Flight		Onguma The Fort		Windhoek Eros Airport [ERS]			
	Scheduled		Hosea Kutako International Airport [WDH]		Cape Town International Airport [CPT]			
	Scheduled		Port Elizabeth Airport [PLZ]		Cape Town International Airport [CPT]			

Transfers

Date	Company	Pick Up	Drop Off	Time	Vehicle
		andBeyond Ngala Safari	Kruger Mpumalanga		Transfer

Lodge	International Airport [MQP]	
Victoria Falls International Airport [VFA]	Ilala Lodge Hotel	Transfer
Ilala Lodge Hotel	Victoria Falls International Airport [VFA]	Transfer
Hosea Kutako International Airport [WDH]	Hotel Heinitzburg	Transfer
Swakopmund Airport [SWP]	Strand Hotel Swakopmund	Transfer
Strand Hotel Swakopmund	Swakopmund Airport [SWP]	Transfer
Windhoek Eros Airport [ERS]	Hotel Heinitzburg	Transfer
Hotel Heinitzburg	Hosea Kutako International Airport [WDH]	Transfer
Cape Town International Airport [CPT]	One&Only Cape Town	Transfer
Gorah Elephant Camp	Port Elizabeth Airport [PLZ]	Transfer

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Travel Information

Essential Guide to Safari in Southern Africa: What to Bring and Expect

Embark on the Adventure of a Lifetime

Introduction:

Venturing into the wild landscapes of Southern Africa on safari promises an unforgettable journey into nature's heart. From the majestic savannahs of the Serengeti to the lush deltas of Botswana, this region offers some of the most diverse and abundant wildlife on the planet. To make the most of your safari experience, it's crucial to come prepared. Here's a comprehensive guide on what to bring and expect on your safari adventure.

Heading: Packing Essentials for Your Safari

1. Clothing:

– Lightweight, neutral-colored clothing for blending into the environment.

– Long-sleeved shirts and pants to protect against the sun and insects.

– A wide-brimmed hat and sunglasses for sun protection.

– Warm layers for early morning and evening game drives when temperatures drop.

– Comfortable, sturdy walking shoes or hiking boots for bush walks.

2. Safari Gear:

– Binoculars for spotting wildlife from a distance.

– A good camera with a zoom lens to capture those incredible moments.

– A small backpack to carry essentials during game drives and walks.

– Flashlight or headlamp for navigating camp at night.

3. Personal Items:

– Sunscreen with a high SPF and insect repellent containing DEET.

– Personal medications and a basic first aid kit.

– Reusable water bottle to stay hydrated during your adventures.

– Wet wipes or hand sanitizer for quick clean-ups.

What to Expect on Safari

1. Wildlife Encounters:

– Be prepared to witness the Big Five (lion, leopard, elephant, buffalo, and rhino) in their natural habitat, along with a myriad of other fascinating species.

– Your experienced guide will help you track wildlife and provide insightful commentary on their behavior and habitats.

2. Accommodation:

– Southern Africa offers a range of accommodation options, from luxury tented camps to rustic lodges.

– Expect comfortable amenities and warm hospitality, even in remote wilderness areas.

3. Weather Conditions:

– Southern Africa's climate can vary widely depending on the season and location.

– During the dry season (May to October), expect cooler temperatures in the mornings and evenings, with warm, sunny days.

– The wet season (November to April) brings lush green landscapes and occasional rainfall, but wildlife viewing may be more challenging.

4. Safari Activities:

– Game drives are the main activity, allowing you to explore vast landscapes and encounter wildlife up close.

– Bush walks offer a more intimate experience, allowing you to appreciate the smaller details of the ecosystem with a knowledgeable guide.

– Cultural encounters with local communities provide insight into traditional lifestyles and customs.

Conclusion

Embarking on a safari in Southern Africa is a dream come true for wildlife enthusiasts and adventure seekers alike. By packing wisely and knowing what to expect, you can fully immerse yourself in the magic of the African bush and create memories to last a lifetime. So, grab your camera, don your safari gear, and get ready for the adventure of a lifetime!



One of the most culturally and geographically diverse places on earth, South Africa, fondly known by locals as the 'Rainbow Nation', boasts 11 official languages, and its inhabitants are influenced by a fascinating mix of cultures. Discover the gourmet restaurants, impressive art scene, vibrant nightlife, and beautiful beaches of Cape Town. Enjoy a local braai (barbecue) in the Soweto township, browse the bustling Indian markets in Durban, or sample some of the world's finest wines at the myriad wine estates dotting the Cape Winelands. Some historical attractions to explore include the Zululand battlefields of KwaZulu-Natal, the Apartheid Museum in Johannesburg, and Robben Island, just off the coast of Cape Town. Above all else, its untamed wilderness is astonishing: wildlife roams freely across massive unfenced game reserves such as the world-famous Kruger National Park.

Banking and Currency

Currency

The currency is the Rand, which is divided into 100 cents. There are R200, R100, R50, R20 and R10 notes. Coins come in R5, R2, R1, 50c, 20c, and 10c.

Banking

Banks are found in most towns and are generally open from 09h00 to 15h30 on weekdays and 08h30 to 11h00 on Saturdays (Closed Sundays and Public Holidays). Most of them offer foreign exchange services - with cash, bank & credit cards as well as travellers cheques. You can also obtain cash from automatic teller machines (ATMs). Several international banks have branches in the main city centres. Always advise your bank that you are travelling outside the country as they might block your purchases if they are not informed.

Travel, Transport and Getting Around

Travelling around South Africa is relatively easy by air, road and rail.

Several airlines operate domestic routes with regular links between Johannesburg, Cape Town, Durban, George, Nelspruit and Port Elizabeth and relatively frequent flights to several smaller towns and cities too.

An extensive tarred road system makes travelling in South Africa by vehicle convenient and easy. You will find gravel roads in rural areas though. Please note that a valid international driver's licence is required. We drive on the left-hand side of the road. Most global car hire firms have branches in South Africa.

Another means of getting around South Africa are inter-city bus services. Metrobus buses are available for in-city transport. Metered taxis can be ordered and e-hailing services are available. There is the popular MyCityBus system in Cape Town and a hop-on-hop-off tourist bus in Cape Town and Johannesburg.

The rail system includes the long-haul, inexpensive Shosholoza Meyl Metrorail trains with more luxurious options are available. There is also the Gautrain rapid transit railway system in Gauteng Province.

Food, Drink and Cuisine Advice

Standards of hygiene in relation to food health and safety in South Africa, are generally high in hotels, restaurants, pubs and nightspots. Tap water in South Africa is safe to drink and cook with when taken from taps in urban areas. Not all tap water in rural areas is safe for consumption, so take precautions if necessary.

It is safe to eat fresh fruit, vegetables and salads and put ice in your drinks. South Africa's fish, meat and chicken are of excellent quality, so there is no need to limit yourself when enjoying the local cuisine.

Restaurants are subject to South Africa's food safety control legislation, which is implemented by local government. Regulations include certification and regular inspections by health inspectors to maintain hygienic standards.

Street food is not as common in South Africa as it is in other countries, although vendors selling traditional snacks and meals can be found in city centres and townships. Food safety in such instances cannot always be guaranteed.

Climate and Weather

South African temperatures, which are measured in centigrade, average at highs of 28°C to average lows of 8°C in the summer months, while winter temperatures range from 1°C at night to around 18°C during the day. Average annual rainfall is on the low side at under 500mm a year, making the country somewhat dry. Much of the rain falls in the Western Cape in the winter, differing from the rest of the country, which experiences summer rainfall. On the plus side, the South African climate boasts more than its fair share of sunshine, recording an average of 8.5 hours a day.

Clothing and Dress Recommendations

Summer

Bring cool, light and comfortable clothes because summer temperatures can get well into the 30 - 40 degree Celsius range in some areas. Also, bring an umbrella or raincoat during summer as this is when most of the country gets its rain, but don't forget a swimming costume (bathing suit).

Winter

The winters are generally mild, comparing favourably with European summers. But there are days when temperatures dive, especially in high-lying areas such as the Drakensberg, so be prepared with jerseys and jackets. Cape Town gets its rain during the winter season so it's advisable to bring rain gear along.

General

Always bring a hat, sunglasses and sunblock as the sun can be strong even in the winter months.

Walking shoes are a good idea all year-round, with warm socks in the winter.

If you are doing business in the country, business attire is generally called for in the corporate sector, but media, for example generally dress more casually.

For game viewing, a couple of neutral-toned items will be useful, but there's no need to go overboard. A good pair of walking shoes is also advisable.

For the evening, if you are dining at an upmarket restaurant or seeing a show, smart-casual attire is recommended.

Internet Availability

Most accommodation offer Wifi in their business centres, rooms or restaurants. Internet cafes are found in most business areas and shopping malls. In addition, some South African restaurants offer WiFi access.

There are also outlets such as PostNet that offer internet, fax and postage facilities.

Electricity and Plug Standards

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A nation of spectacular natural beauty, friendly people and rich culture, Zimbabwe’s status as one of Africa’s leading safari destinations was dampened for years by its political instability. But now that the country is transcending its

strife and returning to a state of equilibrium, it is once again emerging as a vacation highlight of the continent. Victoria Falls – known to locals as 'The Smoke That Thunders' – is one of the seven natural wonders of the world and the sheer power of this massive body of water plunging into the Zambezi Gorge is awe-inspiring and unforgettable. Lake Kariba, with its game-rich shores and islands, is an idyllic safari spot featuring mind-blowing sunsets; Hwange National Park is known for its huge herds of elephants; and a kayak trip down the Zambezi through the Mana Pools National Park will appeal to the intrepid traveller, providing close encounters with crocodiles, hippos and a host of other wildlife.

Banking and Currency

Currency

The currency of Zimbabwe is now the Zimbabwe Gold (ZiG; symbol ZG). Notes are issued in denominations of ZG200, 100, 50, 20, 10, 5, 2, and 1. Coins are available in denominations of ZG0.50, 0.25, 0.10, 0.05, and 0.01. In addition to these, Zimbabwe has also introduced gold-backed digital tokens which can be used as legal tender. The US Dollar and other major foreign currencies are also widely accepted throughout Zimbabwe.

Banking

Banks in Zimbabwe are open for business Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 08h00 to 15h00, on Wednesdays from 08h00 to 13h00 and Saturdays from 08h00 to 11h30. They are closed on Sundays and Public Holidays.

Only VISA and MasterCard are accepted in Zimbabwe, however it should be noted that very limited facilities will have credit card machines, and the connection is not always reliable so it is advisable to carry cash as back up.

Travel, Transport and Getting Around

Taxis are safe and reliable, and can be booked through your hotel front desk. Taxis in cities travel within a 40km radius of the city. Always take a taxi at night.

Major airlines fly into Victoria Falls, Harare and Bulawayo. Charter flights are available to most attractions and camps.

Zimbabwe has a good road infrastructure, by African standards, although potholed. Between major towns, there are frequent road blocks. Traffic drives on the left side of the road.

If you are driving yourself around Zimbabwe, be sure to check on fuel availability in advance. If you are covering long distances within the country, ensure you carry extra fuel in 5 or 10lt metal containers in case of emergency. Fuel is generally available, but supply can fluctuate. Fuel is only available for cash.

Food, Drink and Cuisine Advice

Zimbabwe's native cuisine is based on sadza, a cooked porridge made from ground maize which is normally accompanied by some tasty relish, perhaps made of meat and tomatoes, or dried fish. Safari camps will often prepare sadza if requested, and it is almost always available in small restaurants in the towns.

Camps, hotels and lodges that cater to overseas typically serve a variety international fare, and the quality of food prepared in the most remote bush camps is usually excellent.

If you are driving yourself around and plan to cook, then get most of your supplies in main towns. There are a number of South African shopping chains operating in Zimbabwe which will generally have all that you will need.

Water in the main towns is usually purified.. The locals drink it, and are used to the relatively innocuous bugs that it may harbour. If you are in the country for a long time, then it may be worth acclimatising yourself to it. However, if

you are in Zimbabwe for just a short period of time, then try to drink only bottled, boiled, or treated water available in towns and from all camps, lodges and hotels.

Climate and Weather

In Zimbabwe, the rains come principally in **December**, **January**,**February** and **March**; the further north you are, the earlier the precipitation arrives and the later it leaves. Zimbabwe's higher eastern areas usually receive more rainfall than the lower-lying western ones.

By **April** and **May** most of the rain is gone, leaving a verdant setting, which is starting to dry out. Especially in more southerly and higher locations, the night-time temperatures start to drop.

The nights in **June**, **July** and **August** become much cooler, so don't forget to bring some warmer clothes, in case you want to spend an evening outside; the days are still clear and warm. For Zimbabwe, this is the start of the 'peak season'– days are often cloudless and game sightings continually increase.

Into **September** and **October** the temperatures rise once again: Zimbabwe's lower-lying rift valley – Mana Pools – can get very hot in October. During this time, you'll see some fantastic game, as the Zimbabwe's wildlife concentrates around the limited water sources.

November is unpredictable; it can be hot and dry, it can also see the season's first rainfalls – and in this respect it's a very interesting month, as on successive days, you can see both weather patterns.

Clothing and Dress Recommendations

When in Zimbabwe the cardinal rule is to wear casual, comfortable clothes during the day as temperatures can get very hot. It is advisable to wear light loose-fitting clothing, such as cotton or linen, as they are cool and easy to wash. Warmer clothes are advised for the evenings and rainwear for the wet season.

A brimmed hat and sunglasses are a good idea year-round. Long-sleeved shirts and long trousers will also guard against the scorching sun rays. It is recommended you wear light shoes, especially if your itinerary entails a lot of walking.

For safaris, please remember to wear appropriate clothing and shoes. Earth colour clothes, such as browns, greens and tans are advisable.

Internet Availability

Internet availability is very limited especially outside of the major cities.

Most holiday accommodation venues offer internet and/or WiFi (free or paid) to their guests but there are often disruptions in service.

Electricity and Plug Standards

Electrical sockets in the Republic of Zimbabwe are Type G (BS-1363) and Type C (CEE 7/16 Europlug) and Type D (BS-546). If your appliance's plug doesn't match the shape of these sockets, you will need a travel plug adapter in order to plug in. Travel plug adapters simply change the shape of your appliance's plug to match whatever type of socket you need to plug into. If it's crucial to be able to plug in no matter what, bring an adapter for all types.

Electrical sockets usually supply electricity at 230 volts AC / 50 Hz frequency. If you're plugging in an appliance that was built for 230 volt electrical input, or an appliance that is compatible with multiple voltages, then an adapter is all you need. If your appliance isn’t compatible with 230 volts, a voltage converter will be necessary.



Situated in the southern reaches of Africa, Botswana is renowned for its pristine wilderness areas characterised by deep lagoons, wetlands, lush palms, rugged hills and desert plains. The country's primary tourist drawcard is undoubtedly the vast red expanse of the Kalahari Desert and its remarkably beautiful Okavango Delta, the largest inland delta in the world. These natural wonders provide a tranquil haven for an abundance of African wildlife to thrive. Other highlights include the impressive Makgadikgadi Salt Pans, where visitors are privy to massive zebra migrations during the flood season; the Savuti plains, which host a significant pride of lions; and the Tsodilo Hills, where 4500 rock paintings form a unique record of human settlement over many millennia.

Banking and Currency

Currency

Botswana's currency is Pula (which means 'rain' in Setswana). It is divided into 100 thebe (which means 'shield' in Setswana). Travellers' cheques and foreign currency may be changed at banks, bureaux de change and authorised hotels.

The US dollar, Euros, British Pound and the South African Rand are the most easily convertible currencies (and accepted by some estabishments - but, generally, then an inflated rate of exchange will be applied).

Banking

Seven main commercial banks, as well as a number of foregin exchange bureaux, operate in Botswana. Operating hours are Monday to Friday 08h30 to 15h30 and Saturday 08h30 to 10h45.

Full banking services are available in major towns, although ATMs are sprouting up all over the country. Most credit cards are accepted at hotels and restaurants. Cultural sites and community art and craft outlets usually only accept cash.

Travel, Transport and Getting Around

Public transport in Botswana is geared towards the needs of the local populace and is confined to main roads between major population centres. Although cheap and reliable, it is of little use to the traveller as most of Botswana's tourist attractions lie off the beaten track.

Driving off the main roads in Botswana is only recommended to expects in 4x4 vehicles, that are equipped correctly. Most lodges offer transfers or they can be arranged. If, however, you will be driving in Botswana: your home driving licence will be accepted (with an official English translation if necessary; driving is on the left side of the road; and the national speed limit is on tarred roads is 120km/h and 60km/h in towns and villages.

Be sure to watch out for wild animals on the roads!

There are major airports in Maun, Kasane and Gaborone, while smaller charter flights are used to get to the other top attractions and camps.

Food, Drink and Cuisine Advice

Safari lodges and camps serve international-style cuisine, generally of an extremely high standard, along with local beer and imported wine and spirits. Good restaurants and bars can be found in main towns, often within hotels. Beef and goat are very popular meats. Elsewhere, food is more basic: millet and sorghum porridge are the local staples.

Tap water is considered safe to drink, although outside main cities and towns, visitors are advised to check first and sterilise water if in any doubt. Bottled water is available in most tourist centres. Filtered water is available at most camps and shops offer bottled water - it is advised to be well stocked of bottled water if you are travelling off the beaten track. Milk is pasteurised, and dairy products, local meat, poultry, seafood, fruit and vegetables are generally safe.

A discretionary five-to-ten-percent tip is typical for restaurant bills. In many places, a service charge is automatically added. It is customary to tip the game guide and lodge staff while on safari.

Climate and Weather

Botswana's climatic pattern is typical of southern Africa, although its rainfall is less than countries further east. The rains in Botswana come mostly between December and March, when average minimum temperatures are in the low 20°s. Some days will be bright and sunny, some will have afternoon thunderstorms, and some will just be grey.

As with Namibia, April and May in Botswana are generally lovely, with the sky clear and the landscape green. Night temperatures start to drop during these months, especially in the Kalahari. Note that places in and around the Okavango tend to have less extreme, more moderate temperatures than the drier areas of the Kalahari.

From June to August the night-time temperatures in drier areas can be close to freezing, but it warms up rapidly during the day, when the sky is usually clear and blue. It's now very much 'peak season' for most safari areas: the land is dry in most areas so the animals congregate around the few available water sources.

This continues into September and October, when temperatures climb again, drying the landscapes and concentrating the game even more. This is the best time for big game safaris – although October can feel very hot, with maximum temperatures sometimes approaching 40°C.

November is difficult to predict, as it can sometimes be a continuation of October's heat, whilst sometimes it's cooled by the first rains; it's always an interesting month.

Clothing and Dress Recommendations

In summer, lightweight, lightcoloured cottons are preferable. Avoid synthetic materials and black clothing, as they increase perspiration and discomfort. In winter, wear trousers, longsleeved shirts / blouses and jerseys. From May – August, night temperatures can fall below zero degrees celsius, so warm jerseys and jackets are vital, especially on morning and evening game drives. Garments of neutral colours that blend with the bush and forest are advisable for safaris and game viewing. Bring a lightweight jacket and/or jersey for unexpected temperature changes or rain. Closed, comfortable walking shoesor gym shoes are a must in all seasons. Special attention should be given to protection from the sun. Bring a sunhat, good quality sunscreen, sun lotion and polarised sunglasses. Wide brimmed sun hats are essential.

Internet Availability

Some hotels, lodges and guest houses offer internet access or WiFi (free or paid), and there are internet cafe's in Gaborone and Maun. Internet access in more remote rural areas is often hard to come by.

Electricity and Plug Standards

Electrical sockets (outlets) in Botswana are the 'Type M' South African SABS1661 ('Large' 15 amp BS-546) sockets. This is actually an old British standard. The 'Type M' South African plug and socket is not to be confused with the 'Type D' Indian plug and socket. In pictures, they look very similar, but the South African type is much larger than the Indian type, and they are physically incompatible. If your appliance's plug doesn't match the shape of these sockets, you will need a travel plug adapter in order to plug in. Travel plug adapters simply change the shape of your appliance's plug to match whatever type of socket you need to plug into.

Electrical sockets (outlets) in Botswana usually supply electricity at between 220 and 240 volts AC. If you're plugging in an appliance that was built for 220-240 volt electrical input, or an appliance that is compatible with multiple voltages, then an adapter is all you need.

But travel plug adapters *do not change the voltage*, so the electricity coming through the adapter will still be the same 220-240 volts the socket is supplying. If you need to use appliances that are not compatible with 220-240 volt electrical input, you will need a voltage converter.



Located in southwestern Africa, Namibia boasts a well-developed infrastructure, some of the best tourist facilities in Africa, and an impressive list of breathtaking natural wonders. Visitors can explore the capital of Windhoek and discover the lovely coastal town of Swakopmund boasting remnants of the country's German influence, reflected in the architecture, culture, cuisine and the annual Oktoberfest celebrations. To properly appreciate this extraordinary country, you will have to venture out of the cities to explore the remarkable natural landscapes Namibia has to offer. These include: the impressive Fish River Canyon; the vast Etosha National Park teeming with abundant wildlife, such as lions, desert-adapted elephants and the Hartmann's Mountain Zebra; the hauntingly beautiful Kalahari Desert; and of course, the Namib Desert stretching for over 2000 km along the magnificent Atlantic Coast. Namibia is an ideal destination for travellers seeking an unforgettable African experience in a uniquely beautiful untamed wilderness.

Banking and Currency

Currency

The currency of Namibia is The Namibian Dollar (NAD; symbol N$) is in note denominations of N$200, 100, 50, 20 and 10. Coins are in denominations of N$5, N$1, 50 cents, 10 cents and 5 cents. It is linked to the South African Rand (R) on a 1:1 basis (South African Rand = 100 cents). The South African Rand is also acceptable as currency in Namibia.

The import and export of local currency is limited to N$50,000. The import of foreign currency is unlimited, provided sums equal to or exceeding NAD5,000 are declared on arrival. Export of foreign currency is unlimited up to the amount imported and declared.

Banking

Banking hours: Monday - Friday 09h00 to 15h30 and Satuday 08h30 to 11h00

Banks are found in most towns, with most being closed on Sundays and public holidays. Most of them offer foreign exchange services - with cash, bank and credit cards as well as travellers cheques.

American Express, Diners Club, Mastercard and Visa are accepted. Credit cards are not usually accepted at petrol stations, so bear this in mind when you visit the ATM. Setting aside an emergency petrol cash fund is a good idea if you're planning to drive.

You can also obtain cash from many of the ATMs. Several international banks have branches in main city centres. Always advise your bank that you are travelling outside of the country as they might block your purchases if they have not been informed.

To avoid additional exchange rate charges, take traveller's cheques in US Dollars or South African Rand. In general, you can expect a better exchange rate for traveller's cheques than for cash.

Travel, Transport and Getting Around

Public transport in Namibia is geared towards the needs of the local populace, and is confined to main roads between major population centres. Although cheap and reliable, it is of little use to the traveller as most of Namibia's tourist attractions lie off the beaten track.

It is easy to travel around Namibia by car, and a 2WD vehicle is perfectly adaquate for most journeys. However, long distances, poor mobile phone coverage outside of main towns and infrequent petrol stations that only accept cash mean that planning ahead is vital.

There are major airlines that fly into Windhoek and Swakopmund. Other destinations are reachable by car or charter flight.

Namibians drive on the left and all signposts are in English. Seat belts must be worn at all times and talking in a mobile phone while driving is prohibited. The general speed limit is 120km/h on tarred roads outside of towns and 100km/h on gravel roads. In built up areas, the speed limit is 60km/h.

Food, Drink and Cuisine Advice

Traditional Namibian cuisine is rarely served and so the food at restaurants tends to be European in style and is, generally, of a very high standard.

Namibia is very meat-orientated, and many menu options will feature steaks from various animals. However, there is usually a vegetarian and seafood section offered by most camps and restaurants.

In the supermarkets you'll find pre-wrapped fresh fruit and vegetables (though the more remote the areas you visit, the smaller your choice), and plenty of canned foods, pasta, rice, bread, etc. Most of this is imported from South Africa.

The water in Namibia's main towns is generally safe to drink, though it may taste a little metallic if it has been piped for miles. Natural sources should usually be purified, though water from underground springs and dry riverbeds

seldom causes any problems. However, filtered and bottled water are readily available in most towns and all camps, lodges and hotels.

Climate and Weather

Partially covered by the Namib Desert, one of the world's driest deserts, Namibia's climate is generally very dry and pleasant – it's fine to visit all year round. Namibia only receives a fraction of the rain experienced by countries further east. Between about **December to March** some days will be humid and rain may follow, often in localised, afternoon thunderstorms. These are more common in the centre and east of the country, and more unusual in the desert.

April and especially **May** are often lovely months in Namibia. Increasingly dry, with a real freshness in the air, and much greenery in the landscape; at this time the air is clear and largely free from dust.

From **June to August** Namibia cools down and dries out more; nights can become cold, dropping below freezing in some desert areas. As the landscape dries so the game in the north of the country gravitates more to waterholes, and is more easily seen by visitors. By **September and October** it warms up again; game-viewing in most areas is at its best, although there's often a lot of dust around and the vegetation has lost its vibrancy.

November is a highly variable month. Sometimes the hot, dry weather will continue, at other times the sky will fill with clouds and threaten to rain – but if you're lucky enough to witness the first rains of the season, you'll never forget the drama.

Clothing and Dress Recommendations

Namibia is a country with a diverse climate. It is recommended to pack lightweight clothing made of breathable materials, such as cotton or linen, to combat the heat during the day. In the evenings, temperatures can drop significantly, so it is best to pack warmer layers. Visitors can bring hiking shoes or sneakers for outdoor activities. Long pants and a shirt with buttons are often quite adequate for a formal occasion or work wear.

Internet Availability

Telecom Namibia offers a service called wi-space. You purchase a wi-space voucher that allows you to connect to WiFi wherever you see the wi-space logo (about 40 locations in Namibia).

Alternatively good WiFi access is available at most holiday accommodation venues across the country (free / paid).

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Terms and Conditions

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Responsibility And Liability

While the Operator (XXXX XXXXX Safaris) will make every effort:
To engage quality suppliers among the airlines, hotels, other tour operators, and service providers to provide the travel products featured; and
To ensure that the various services making up each tour will be carried out efficiently and as specified. However, because the operator does not have direct control over the provision of services that make up the elements of the tour, the operator does not accept any
liability for errors and omissions of such suppliers. Any complaints regarding accommodation, food, facilities, etc. must be taken up with the individual hotel, Guest House, etc.
The Operator shall not be liable for any damage, losses, and expenses suffered by any client as a result of sickness, quarantine, weather conditions, war, strikes, riots, or any other cause outside the Operator's control including Force Majeure. The Operator may at any time cancel such tour or what remains of it or make alterations to the route, accommodation, price and/or any other aspect thereof as it deems fit, and any losses and expenses resulting from such cancellation or alteration shall be the responsibility of the client.
All bookings are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the supplier of the services. The Operator will provide on request, the identity of the supplier, and such supplier's terms and conditions may include, but are not limited to, provisions regarding the cancellation fees or amendment fees applicable to confirmed reservations, refunds/no refunds for no-shows/unused services; late booking fees; baggage allowances; confirmation of flights, etc. In the case of airlines, fees are non-refundable; the typical baggage allowance is 20kg; extension of ticket validity is not permitted and the customer must reconfirm his/her flight within 72 hours prior to departure.
The Operator accepts no liability in respect of death, injury, loss, or damage to person or property arising out of any act, omission, or negligence of the operator, the supplier, the operator's or supplier's servants, save only in the case of wilful negligence or a wilful act or omission.

Client Responsibility

Clients may not carry any unlawful articles or substances whilst traveling in the Republic of South Africa or any other country visited during the tour. If any client offends against the prohibitions set out herein, or the laws of South Africa, or any other country visited, the Operator will be entitled to immediately exclude the client from the tour the offender who will be responsible for his or her own repatriation and all costs thereof. The Operator will under no circumstances be obliged to assist any such offender in any dealings or negotiations with any authority.

Reservations

A 20% deposit is requested at the time of reservation to secure the booking for the client. The Operator will pay such deposits to service providers such as hotels, lodges, activities, entrance fees, flights, etc. The balance must be paid 8 (eight) weeks prior to start date of the journey.
In the event of any reservation being completed less than 8 weeks (eight) days prior to departure, the total price is due immediately on confirmation and is non-refundable.
The Operator reserves the right to cancel any reservation for which payment has not been made by the due date in which event, any deposit paid will be forfeited to the Operator.
Documentation is only prepared on receipt of full and final payment and completed booking form and travel declaration.
Confirmation of the booking and payment of the deposit shall constitute acceptance of the Operator's terms and conditions of business.

Prices are quoted at the currency exchange rate applicable on the date of the invoice. Until the Operator has received full payment, the Operator reserves the right to charge any variations in the currency exchange rate to the client's account. The Operator guarantees the tour price, once full payment is received.
Special requests regarding diet, accommodation, method of travel, tour itinerary etc. must be made at time of booking. The Operator will endeavor to comply with the special requests, which will be charged extra where applicable, but cannot guarantee that such requests will be met.

Payment &Cancellations

The Operator accepts payment by credit card and swift transfer. All payments are to be made out to the Operator or its Nominee. Any other whilst on tour is the client's responsibility.
In the event of the clients cancelling reservations for any reason, such cancellations must be made in writing and in such instances cancellation charges will be levied as follows:

- 60 days – 30 days prior to departure: 20% of total price
- 29 days – 22 days prior to departure: 25% of total price
- 21 days – 15 days prior to departure: 50% of total price
- 14 days – 08 days prior to departure: 70% of total price
- 07 days or less prior to departure: 100% of the total price

The Operator reserves the right to cancel any tour at any time prior to departure, in which event all payments will be refunded in full and final settlement of all liability of whatsoever nature, howsoever arising, resulting from such cancellation. The Operator reserves the right to charge a booking fee and/or a handling fee in such circumstances.
In the event of clients cancelling their reservations, such cancellation must be made in writing notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in these booking conditions.
No refunds will be made for no-shows, or any unused services irrespective of whether they form part of the basic inclusive tour price, or whether they are in respect of pre-booked optional arrangements.
Flights that has been booked and paid for by The Operator are nonrefundable as per the airlines terms and conditions. for by The Operator are nonrefundable as per the airlines terms and conditions.

Accommodation & Services

The Operator reserves the right to substitute hotels or other service providers listed, with others of a similar or higher category at no additional cost to the traveller, even after commencement of the tour.

Prices & Detail

Prices quoted on the Operator's price schedule, which prices the tours and products offered, are based on air fares (where included), hotel prices, land costs and rates of exchange at the date printed on the price schedule.
The Operator reserves the right to adjust prices by way of a revised price schedule from time to time, as influenced by increases in airfares, hotel rates, entrance fees, government and regional levies and taxes and currency fluctuations. The Operator will notify the client of such adjustments as soon as practicable.
7.3 Air fares are subject to the prices and conditions quoted by the airlines and cannot be guaranteed by the Operator (if booked by the Operator).
All information contained in the Operator's brochure/itinerary and price schedules are to the best of the Operator's knowledge and belief true and correct, but the Operator accepts no liability for any errors/inaccuracies contained therein.
Any discounts applicable to minor children, are set out in the quotation when there is a request for children to accompany the tour. Minor children are defined as children below the age of 12 at the time of departure from the client's country of residence and will pay a reduced rate. Should such a child need a separate room from the parents, it will be charged at the full rate, depending on the policy of the hotel.

Prices quoted do not include any items or services not specified, on the Operator's pro forma invoice. Typical items not included may be: costs of obtaining visas and passports, telephone calls, laundry, entertainment arrangements, gratuities and portage, meals not specified, alcohol and beverages, airfares (where applicable) or any other item of a personal nature not specified in itinerary.

Insurance

Insurance against cancellation, illness, death and for loss of baggage is required for all clients traveling with the Operator. Clients undertake all activities associated with the itinerary at their own risk and are responsible for their own insurance. The Operator will not be liable if anyone should fail to take adequate insurance cover.

Documentation, Passports, Visas, Vaccinations And Inoculations

All clients are personally responsible for ensuring that they are in the possession of the correct travel documentation prior to their departure from their country of residence.
The Operator shall not be responsible for any consequences whatsoever should the client fail to ensure that he/she has complied with the necessary health, passport, visa, re-entry permits, or other legal requirements. Due to the constantly changing requirements of each country, the Operator shall not be responsible or liable for any information, which it or its representative may furnish to the client in relation to the above.
Should the Operator be required to courier documents; any costs incurred will be the client's responsibility.
If a client intends to drive a rental car, the client is responsible for obtaining an international driving permit. The client must also be in possession of his/her local driving license.

Extensions

In the unlikely event of there being an unscheduled extension to the holiday caused by flight delays, bad weather, strikes, Force Majeure, or any other cause which is beyond the control of the Operator, it is understood that the expenses relating to these unscheduled extensions including hotel accommodation, food, travel etc., will be the clients' responsibility. The Operator accepts no liability for changes, omissions or delays before or during the course of any such extension.

General Information

The Operator shall not be bound by any representation, warranty, promise or the like not contained herein or agreed in writing. No representation, term, warranty or condition express or implied shall be considered to be or have been made or agreed or implied by reference to any other writing, advertisement or conversation.
A waiver of any of these terms & conditions, or any right arising thereunder, shall be valid only for the particular occasion and shall not affect the operation of such conditions or rights for the future.
Should the Operator appoint a tourist guide in respect of any tour, the client shall be obliged to comply with all reasonable instructions of such a tourist guide. The Operator reserves the right to terminate the tour of any client who wrongfully or unlawfully fails to adhere to the reasonable instructions of an appointed tourist guide, and/or causes any wrongful disruption, disturbance or nuisance to any other traveller, tour group or service provider. All guides employed are multilingual Government accredited tourist guides – all of who are medically cleared, First Aid practitioners and in possession of all legal requirements according to South African law or the law of the country in which tourist guide operates at the relevant time.
All clients shall comply with any prohibition on smoking imposed in or on any facility used on any tour.

Jurisdiction

This agreement is governed by the laws of the Republic of South Africa and clients hereby submit to the jurisdiction of the South African Courts. In the event of any disputes arising from this agreement, the parties shall have the option to agree on arbitration to resolve such disputes. Arbiters may be appointed by the South African courts or similar body.

General

The Operator and the Client place on record that this is the only full agreement between the parties and no other agreement shall be binding unless it is in writing and signed by both parties.
Any alteration to this Agreement must be in writing and signed by the client or an authorized representative of the Operator. All notifications and communications by the client must be sent to the address in Clause 14 (below). The operator will send such notifications to the client at the clients address in his/her country of residence.