

YOUR SAFARI

South Africa – Zimbabwe – Botswana – Namibia

TWENTY FOUR DAY ITINERARY

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“You are never too old to have a happy childhood”

DAY 1

Arrive Cape Town.

Transfer to your hotel in the foothills of Table Mountain.

After a few hours rest, or immediately if you fell up to it – visit one of the world’s true Landmarks, Table Mountain.

DAY 2

Visit the Cape of Good Hope. Full day tour. (note: Cape Town & the Cape of Good hope should really be on one of the seven natural wonders of the world.

DAY 3

Cape Town City Tour and free time at the Waterfront.

DAY 4

Fly to Johannesburg (+-7am flight)

Today we fly to the famous Mala Mala Game Reserve. This Game Reserve is the first commercial Safari Lodge in the Sabi Sand private game reserve. Guests have exclusive access to 45,000 acres of Sabi sand, by far the largest block. It includes 22 miles of sand frontage, a definite plus for wildlife viewing. Certainly why, there is nowhere else in Southern Africa where you are most likely to have close encounters with the Big 5. (Especially in October, when the bush thins out).

We will spend 4 incredible nights here.

DAY 5-7

Mala Mala

DAY 8

After a morning game drive, we will say goodbye to the staff at Mala Mala and fly to Johannesburg and check into the Balalaika Hotel. We will have the afternoon to ourselves, to lounge around the pool or explore the adjacent mall. There are many wonderful restaurants and shops.

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DAY 9

Fly to Botswana for 4 nights. Continue by light aircraft to your camp in the heart of the Okavango Delta. The Okavango Delta is without doubt the crown of African Game viewing – especially at this time of year.

A mix of huge savannah, flood plains forests and islands. It is fed by the Okavango River. The waters of this river are so pure, you can drink straight out of the river!

A unique Eco System found nowhere else on earth. It is the uniqueness and remoteness of this area, that make it one of Africa's last paradises. Huge concentrations of animals roam free and unbound by fences in an area in excess of 15 thousand square miles.

DAY 10-12

Okavango Delta.

DAY 13 ZIMBABWE

Bush flight to Victoria Falls and overnight at the Victoria Falls Hotel.

This hotel which opened in 1904, is the premier example of ultimate luxury in Sub-Saharan Africa.

The hotel is long on atmosphere – a cup of tea on the terrace in the late afternoon, while watching the clouds of spray, sent up by the falls is truly memorable.

DAY 14

Today we will view the Falls (1 of the wonders of the world) and have an opportunity to explore the town of Victoria Falls, or just luxuriate at this magnificent hotel. The shopping is terrific, with many unique items ranging from “flea market to museum quality.” In the evening, you may elect to visit a local village in Zambia.

DAY 15

Today we leave for Botswana. We will be driven across the border (passport stamps for everyone) and arrive at Chobe Safari Lodge, in time for the Chobe River cruise. On Botswana's far Northern border lies the Kawanto Linyanti and Chobe River system, forming a series of lakes, islands and flood plains. This area forms the Chobe National Park, famous for it's large buffalo and elephant herds. In addition to a variety of predators, there is an abundance of wild game and wildlife which declare the beautiful waterways.

Overnight at Chobe Safari Lodge

DAY 16

Morning game drive, afternoon Namibian village tour (another passport stamp).

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DAY 17 NAMIBIA

Bush flight to Etosha Pan. Etosha is Namibia's premier wildlife park. It has great concentrations of game, there are wonderful views out onto the salt pans, which dominate the center of the park. On Ongava Lodge is situated on the private 30 000 hectre Ongava Game reserve and shares a common border with Etosha.

DAY 18-19

Etosha

DAY 20

Our pilot picks us up in Etosha today and we are whisked away to Damaraland. Damaraland camp is a rare venture which integrates communities, the environment and sustainable wildlife. It is rated as the most successful eco tourism venture in Namibia. Located on the north bank of the Huab river, 90 KM inland from Tora Bay on Namibia's Skeleton Coast, the camp presents endless vista's across stark plains, ancient valleys and soaring peaks.

DAY 21

Damaraland

DAY 22

Off to the airstrip this morning for our bush flight to Soussesvlei. This is extreme luxury in perhaps one of the most captivating and remote areas on planet earth. The Namibian desert is an unique eco system. We will see the highest sand dunes in the world and at night, a blanket of stars that will amaze you. (we are 33 miles from light pollution.) Enter a world of vast space, far horizons, desert scapes and jiggered mountain heights.

DAY 23

Soussesvlei.

We will visit the dunes this morning with brunch served at the foot of the most magnificent dunes in the world. In the afternoon, we will take individual dune buggies from the lodge and explore the dunes up close.

DAY 24

Fly to Windhoek and onto Johannesburg for our flight home to the USA.

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