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Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe - Hwange National Park - Kasane Forest Reserve - Khwai Community Area
11 Days / 10 Nights
2 Persons

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Introduction

Bedankt voor uw belangstelling voor een safari naar Botswana en Zimbabwe. Een goede keuze en een prachtige safaribestemming. Fijn dat u Going Africa Safaris gevonden heeft als aanbieder van dit fantastische safariland.

Waarom in het Engels?

We gaan er bij Going Africa Safaris vanuit dat bijna iedereen die een safari naar Afrika boekt in enige mate Engels kan lezen, spreken of begrijpen.

Op basis van deze online routebeschrijving worden vouchers en een definitief reisschema gemaakt. Deze ontvangt u bij uw reisbescheiden. De vouchers, etc... zijn ook in het Engels. Hierdoor is het eenvoudiger om ter plekke overleg te hebben met de lokale accommodatie, gids of organisatie mocht u vragen hebben over de inhoud van het reisschema. U kunt dan het reisschema voorleggen in een taal die ze ook kunnen lezen.

Eventueel deze safari aanpassen?

Natuurlijk is het mogelijk om afhankelijk van het budget van de genoemde accommodaties af te wijken. In de regel begroten we deze voorbeeld safari omdat we voor het betreffende jaar in uw voordeel betere combinatie prijzen krijgen of vinden dat betreffende accommodaties een juiste of betere prijs/kwaliteit verhouding hebben. Maar bijna elke route is aan te passen aan uw wensen en uw budget. Er zijn erg veel mogelijkheden en de accommodaties die we op de website aangegeven. Staat een bepaalde accommodatie er (nog) niet bij, dan houdt dat niet in dat we deze accommodatie niet aan kunnen bieden. Vraag ons dus te allen tijde naar de mogelijkheid om uw wens in te vullen. Het moet wel heel erg gek zijn wanneer we uw wens niet in kunnen vullen. Daarbij willen we wel aan bepaalde kwaliteitseisen blijven voldoen.

De prijs

De prijsindicatie voor deze safari staat op de website. Sturen we u dit online reisschema toe als maatwerkvoorstel, dan ontvangt u de prijs in de begeleidende email.

Documenten

Onder tab "documenten" hebben we ter informatie meteen documenten bijgevoegd aangaande onze Reisvoorwaarden en Privacyverklaring. Neem deze vooraf rustig door en u merkt dat u bij Going Africa Safaris in goede handen bent.

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Voorstel printen

Via de knop "print" is het mogelijk om het voorstel te printen zodat u het nog eens rustig kan nalezen.

We wensen u veel plezier bij het doornemen van alle informatie als onderdeel van de voorpret.

Vriendelijke groeten

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Start	Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Day 1	Pioneers Victoria Falls	Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe	B&B	2 Nights
Day 3	<u>Ivory Lodge</u>	Hwange National Park	FI	3 Nights
Day 6	<u>Tlouwana Camp</u>	Kasane Forest Reserve	FI	3 Nights
Day 9	Sango Safari Camp	Khwai Community Area	FI	2 Nights

Key

B&B: Bed and Breakfast

FI: Fully Inclusive - Bed, All Meals, Fees and Activities

Day 1-2: Pioneers Victoria Falls, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Resting on the southern banks of the Zambezi River at the western end of the eponymous falls, this popular tourist town is compact enough to walk around and makes an ideal base for travellers exploring the seventh wonder of the world, the unfathomably vast Victoria Falls. About two-thirds of the falls can be viewed from the Zimbabwean side and, while the falls are undoubtedly the star attraction, the area provides both adventure seekers and sightseers with plenty of opportunities to warrant a longer stay. Popular activities include scenic flights over the falls in helicopters or microlights, bungee jumping off the Victoria Falls Bridge, white-water rafting (seasonal), and day trips to Chobe National Park. The town itself offers some excellent accommodation and restaurant options as well as an eclectic variety of African curios and authentic art sold by friendly Zimbabwean locals who are wonderfully welcoming and eager to help you enjoy your stay.

Overnight: Pioneers Victoria Falls

Located in the tranquil heart of Victoria Fall's residential area, Pioneers Victoria Falls is an owner run establishment only a short distance from the majestic falls. There is a wide range of activities in close proximity to the hotel including visiting the falls, river cruises, and white water rafting.

The lodge features 50 rooms with private patios that overlook the garden. All of the rooms are equipped with air-conditioning and amenities such as Wi-Fi and mosquito nets. The in-house restaurant serves delicious home-style cuisine. Other hotel facilities include a swimming pool and an activities desk.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 3-5: Ivory Lodge, Hwange National Park

Hwange National Park

Situated in western Zimbabwe, the Hwange National Park is the country's biggest reserve, home to a profusion of wildlife, including giraffe, lion, zebra and approximately 40 000 elephants. It provides a sanctuary for all the country's endangered species, including a population of wild dogs thought to be among the most sizeable surviving groups on the continent. The park's magnificent terrain ranges from desert dunes, savannah lands and mopane woodlands to rocky outcrops and sparse forests. Visitors can look forward to game drives, guided walks or horse riding safaris. Other highlights include: the Bumbusi National Monument and the Nyamandhlovu Pan.

Overnight: Ivory Lodge <u>View iBrochure</u>

A small intimate lodge featuring 7 luxurious tree houses and 2 Presidential Elephant Suites set on elevated platforms amongst the indigenous flora of Hwange Game Park.

Deep in the mystical teak forests of Hwange is this unobtrusive camp, bathed in the tales of pioneering hunters and explorers such as Fredrick Courtney Selous. Lumbering giants drift around your stilted platforms, their tusks glinting in salute to the sanctuary of shade offered up by these massive trees.

This is Ivory Lodge – place of elephants. It is here that great herds of elephants are found – sometimes over 100 strong.

Hwange is renowned for its huge tuskers – big old bulls with magnificent tusks. It is also here that the famous Presidential Herd drinks – these elephants' home-range is amongst the dense feeding areas of the Sikumi Vlei and where they find refuge from the scorching heat at Ivory's water hole.

Silently, elegantly, the lodge stands over the waterhole.... watch by flood light under a star spangled African night sky — the elephants in their play-fighting....their display of instinctive rituals, their caressing and murmurings...all which speak of years gone by.





Basis

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Day 6-8: Tlouwana Camp, Kasane Forest Reserve

Kasane Forest Reserve

Fringing the world-renowned Chobe National Park, the Kasane Forest Reserve is located in the Lesoma Valley of the Central district in Botswana, approximately 800 kilometres north from Gaborone. A large portion of the terrain around the reserve is flat with plenty of wildlife, such as elephants, giraffes and even warthogs, roaming around undisturbed. Visitors can look forward to scenic boat cruises along the beautiful Chobe River, spot nocturnal animal in the forest on a thrilling night safari and enjoy bush camping under the African night sky.

Overnight: Tlouwana Camp <u>View iBrochure</u>

The name Tlouwana is the local Setswana name for a "young elephant", As we are located in the richest square miles of concentrated elephant population in Africa, this unique Elephant and wildlife safari experience make every minute spent traveling worthwhile. Tlouwana Camp is owner and run and managed, and is aimed at the affordable luxury travel markets across the world, offering great value for money and a unique classical safari experience.





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Day 9-10: Sango Safari Camp, Khwai Community Area

Khwai Community Area

The Khwai area of the Okavango lies along the northern boundary of the Moremi Game Reserve. This is an unfenced boundary allowing wildlife to move freely between the woodlands in the wet season when water is plentiful and back to permanent rivers and lagoons in the dry season. The Khwai area offers the same wildlife experience as the reserve with the added advantage of being a private concession which means the ability to do walking safaris and night drives.

Overnight: Sango Safari Camp

Sango Safari Camp is nestled in the shade of the trees overlooking the Khwai River. Situated on the outskirts of the traditional village of Khwai and on the border of Moremi Game Reserve, the camp offers guests the perfect base from which to explore the wildlife and culture of this unique habitat.

This intimate safari camp is named for the Sango Family, some of the original inhabitants of the Khwai area, and now part owners of the camp. Guests will have the chance to learn first hand about the unique lifestyle and experiences that come from living and growing up in one of the most wildlife rich areas of Botswana.

Accommodating 12 guests in 6 en-suite meru tents Sango Safari Camp is designed in the style of the classic tented safari camp of days gone by. With its open-air bucket showers, hand crafted furnishings and classic styling Sango Safari Camp aims to rekindle the atmosphere of the luxury mobile safari camp, successfully blending the rustic with the luxurious.

With the Khwai River forming a natural border between the world famous Moremi Game Reserve and Khwai Concession, animals can travel freely through this vast unfenced wilderness. Situated on the river overlooking the Moremi and with access to both these magnificent wildlife areas, Sango Safari Camp is focused on delivering an exceptional wildlife experience to our guests. The camp's location allows guests to take advantage of a host of wildlife activities which include open vehicle game drives both in the Moremi and in the Khwai concession area, night drives and mokoro trips.





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Day 11: End of Itinerary

Activities

Travel For Impact SD

Travel for Impact

Travel for Impact, based in the village of Maun, Botswana, is a social enterprise that links the travel industry with local community projects in Northern Botswana.

With Travel for Impact, guests can experience The Okavango Delta, the lifeline of the Big Five – lion, elephant, buffalo, leopard and rhinoceros.

The area also offers a variety of sites such as the Makgadikgadi Pans – one of the world's largest salt flats, which hosts thousands of flamingos, zebra and wildebeest. Guests may also choose to experience scenic boat cruises along Chobe National Park, day trips to Victoria Falls, trek the Gcwihaba Caves, or to explore the Central Kalahari Game Reserve which is the second largest in the world.

Transport

Flight Information

Date Flight Details Class Ref

Day 9 Mack Air Khwai Airstrip - Maun Airport [MUB]

Transfers

Date	Company	Details
Day 1	Wild Horizons	Victoria Falls International Airport [VFA] - Victoria Falls (Town)
Day 3	Wild Horizons	Pioneers Victoria Falls - Hwange Main Camp
Day 3	Ivory Lodge	Hwange Main Camp - Ivory Lodge
Day 6	Ivory Lodge	Hwange Main Camp - Victoria Falls (Town)
Day 6	Wild Horizons	Victoria Falls (Town) - Tlouwana Camp
Day 6	Wild Horizons	Tlouwana Camp - Kasane Airport [BBK]
Day 9	Tlouwana Camp	Kasane Airport [BBK] - Khwai Airstrip

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Tlouwana Camp		+267 71 425 383	Lesoma Road Lesoma 0000

Travel Information



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

Zimbabwe uses its own unit of currency, the Zimbabwe Dollar. No other currency is accepted. Do not plan on being able to use cash machines in Zimbabwe to draw money. Before leaving home please exchange all the money that you will need for your trip. Most of this should be in 1, 5, 10 and 20 denominations because change is not always available. In an emergency you can try Barclays Bank, Stanbic Bank or Standard Chartered Bank as they will infrequently accept foreign debit cards for withdrawing cash.

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 be 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 scourching 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.

Electricity and Plug Standards

Current is 220/240 volts at 50 cycles per second. Both square and round plugs are used.



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 scattered with scrubland. 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 large prides 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 establishments - 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

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.

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.

A discretionary 5 to 10% 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.

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.

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