



BOTSWANA: Unforgettable wildlife experiences in Botswana's Okavango Delta (Moremi & Chobe National Parks & Khwai Conservancy) and with a highly experienced wildlife guide; sunset game viewing cruise on the Chobe River; overnight quad bike trip sleeping under the stars on the Makgadikgadi pan; visit to the local Meerkat troop.

ZIMBABWE: Game viewing in Hwange National Park – Zimbabwe's largest; and marvel at the Victoria Falls.

ZAMBIA: Zambia offers impressive wildlife diversity as well as some of the wildest and most remote game areas on the continent. Game viewing in Kafue National Park (including a visit to an elephant orphanage) and Liuwa Plain National Park; visit Nygonye Falls.

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- D1:** Arrive Kasane (Botswana) and transfer to lodge. Briefing and welcome dinner. Dinner included
- D2:** Pick up 4x4's, buy provisions and pack 4x4. Breakfast included.
- D3:** The game viewing starts today. Over the next six days expect to see elephant, giraffe, zebra, baboon, hippos, kudu, birdlife & more—there is a very good chance to see cheetah, leopard, lion and wild dog.
- D4:** Game viewing in Chobe National Park (Camp). No meals included
- D5:** Drive to Khwai Conservancy game viewing on the way (Bush Camp). No meals included
- D6:** Game viewing in Khwai Conservancy (Bush Camp). No meals included
- D7:** Drive to Moremi National Park game viewing on the way (Camp). No meals included
- D8:** Game viewing in Moremi National Park (Camp). No meals included
- D9:** Arrive in Maun, optional scenic flight over the Okavango Delta (Camp). No meals included
- D10:** Game viewing continues in the Makgadikgadi National Park (Camp). No meals included
- D11:** Morning game drive and then onto our next campsite “Planet Baobab” (Camp). No meals included
- D12:** Overnight quad bike adventure sleeping under the stars on the Makgadikgadi pan. We will also visit a Meerkat troop that lives in the area (Camp – sleep in bed roll on the pans). Dinner included
- D13:** After waking up on the pans, a small snack and hot drink and then we head back to our cars and a hot breakfast before heading on to our next camp and Elephant Sands – “Where Elephants Rule” (Camp). Breakfast included
- D14:** We exit Botswana via the small border post of Pandamatenga back to the wilderness in Zimbabwe spending three days and nights in Hwange National Park—Zimbabwe’s largest. Here you may see wild dog, spotted hyena, elephant, lion, leopard—there are over 100 mammal species in the park (Camp). No meals included
- D15 & 16:** Game viewing in Hwange National Park (Camp). No meals included
- D17 & 18:** Victoria Falls “the smoke that thunders”. Many optional activities. Enjoy lunch, high tea or a drink at the famous colonial style Vic Falls Hotel. (Camp or upgrade to a hotel if you’d like some luxury). No meals included
- D19:** A dramatic exit from Zimbabwe to Zambia via the bridge over the Zambezi River and then onto Livingstone (Camp). No meals included
- D20:** We head north west to Kafue National Park, Zambia’s largest national park and the second largest park in Africa. It is home to over 55 different species of animals. Think cheetah and lion roaming in the golden grass, herds of red lechwe, puku and wildebeest and hunting packs of wild dog. The park is named for the Kafue River and it stretches over three provinces. We have six days to explore Kafue staying in different campsites. During these days we also have the opportunity to visit an elephant orphanage (Camp). No meals included
- D21 - 25:** Game viewing through the Kafue (Camp). No meals included
- D26 - 28:** After our time in Kafue, next on our adventure is Liuwa Plain – this could be Africa’s ‘best kept secret’. Located in the far west of the country, it was once a royal hunting ground for the Barotse King and home of the Lozi people and is one of the most remote parks in Zambia. Game is spread out across the vast plains and to come upon a vast herd of blue wildebeest, a prowling wild dog, or a pride of dozing lions in this forgotten piece of Africa is a true reward for the ardent bush-lover. The birdlife is abundant. We have three days to lose ourselves in this remote part of Africa (Camp). No meals included
- D29:** Our last stop in Zambia is the spectacular Ngonye Falls (often referred to as the Sioma Falls) and the Sioma Ngwezi National Park (Camp). No meals included
- D30:** Travel back into Botswana to Kasane drop off the 4x4s pack up and enjoy a farewell dinner (Guest House). Dinner included at lodge
- D31:** Transfer to the airport and depart for home. Breakfast included at lodge

Itinerary subject to change.

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DATES

2019

06 Jul – 05 Aug 2019

Tailor-made

Have your own group? We can tailor your trip.

PRICES

2 people per 4x4: AUD13,560* per person

Solo Traveller in escort 4x4: AUD12,060* per person

3rd and 4th Passenger: AUD12,060* per person

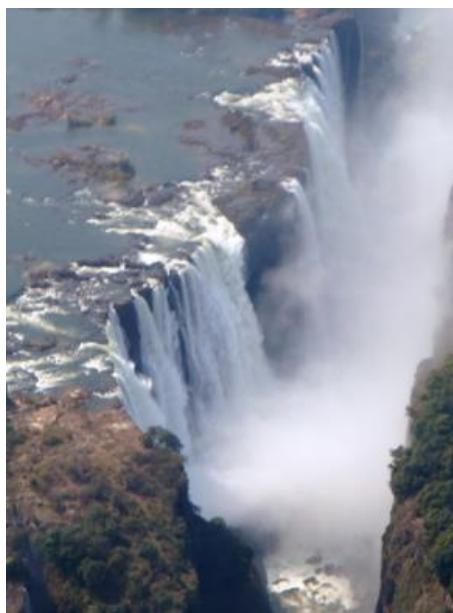
**Prices assume a minimum of 5 vehicles, maximum of 7 vehicles (plus support vehicles). 2019 pricing is estimated only and will be confirmed in early 2018.*

INCLUDED

Arrival and departure transfers, vehicle hire (Toyota Hilux Manual or similar), paper maps, wildlife guide book, rooftop tent, bedding, linen, towels, fridge, water tank, cooking and camping equipment, spare tyre, vehicle insurance (standard), cross border permits for vehicle, two-way radio in vehicle, Botswana National Park, Zimbabwe and Zambia entry fees, fire wood, camping (27 nights) and guest houses/hotels (3 nights), meals as per itinerary, support vehicle escort and staff.

EXCLUDED

Airfares return to Kasane (Botswana), fuel (estimate AUD800 per car or AUD400 per person), meals other than listed on itinerary (estimate AUD725 per person), cross border fees/taxes approx. USD200 per person, Botswana tourism levy USD30 per person, Zimbabwe Visa USD30 per person, Victoria Falls park entry approx. USD35 per person, any accommodation upgrades chosen, any vehicle upgrades chosen, optional activities, vehicle excess, meals other than listed on itinerary, local tips, travel insurance (medical evacuation insurance highly recommended), visas (if required), vaccinations (if required), any other items of a personal nature and local tips.





OTHER INFORMATION

Accommodation and Campsites: Mostly camping. You must have camping experience to join the trip. Some in organized camp sites with facilities, some bush camping. We do stay in some guest houses on the way and you can upgrade to a lodge at some locations at an additional cost.

In campsites with organized facilities these may be quite basic e.g. "long drop" toilet and bush showers which have hot water after the fire gets the water warm. When we bush camp we have a toilet tent that can be set up.

Vehicles: The standard vehicles are fully camping equipped. The base model used in pricing is a manual Toyota HiLux with roof top tent or ground tent. Various upgrades are available.



Driving Ability: The skills required are a driver's license and a good dollop of common sense. Some 4x4 experience would be recommended.

Terrain: The route is planned largely avoiding main roads with extensive travel off road and on rarely used tracks, trails and in river beds.

Game: The game is in pockets. In the National Parks it is plentiful and even outside the National Parks you will have wonderful game viewing experiences in the wild.

Food: Excellent variety! Plan your own meals and do your own shopping to stock your vehicle. You will have all your own cooking equipment, fridge etc in your vehicle so you can be self-sufficient.

Children: Are accepted. Please speak to us about their ages/camping experience.

Weather/Season: This is Winter in Southern Africa —it will range from cool to cold at night, 7-10 degrees C and from 20—35 degrees C during the day depending on the location.

"For the last 15 years we'd been dreaming of travelling Africa, but we could not imagine ourselves being in a bus chasing wildlife in private reserves – that would be only slightly better than going to a zoo. When we came across the Self Drive Adventures advertisement we knew straight away that it was the best way to experience African country, people, landscapes and wildlife. We were right! One month trip was our unforgettable adventure thanks to Mike's vast knowledge of the country, customs and wildlife behaviour. Every day was special, either seeing the wildlife, the scenery or pristine bush camps. The number of elephants, giraffes, zebras, springbok, hippos and more exceeded our expectation. There had been quite a few unforgettable events like a Rhino mother feeding her baby at the waterhole, two elephant mothers taking their families across the Chobe River, an amorous lion and visiting the Himba people. Thank you for your leadership and friendly atmosphere on the trip."

Dusan Bakija, TLCCNSW club