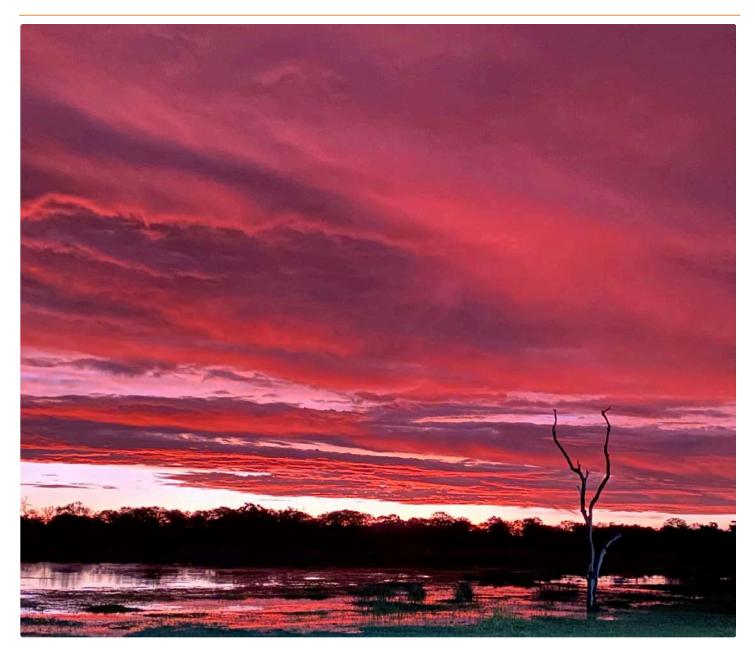


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Botswana: Discovering the Delta & Victoria Falls

DURATION | 11 Days

TRIP LEVEL | Moderate

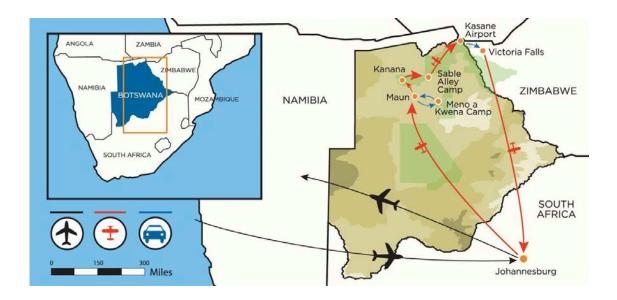
Trip Overview

This classic safari in Botswana and Zimbabwe will fulfill your sense of wonder and offers the chance to realize a childhood dream of encountering wildlife in their natural habitat. Bond with fellow adventurers in the Okavango Delta, where zebras and giraffes wander so close that binoculars aren't needed. Enjoy morning coffee or evening wine on your tent's patio, overlooking a waterhole alive with elephants and other wildlife. Daily guided game drives and luxurious tented camp accommodations immerse you in the safari experience, with the soothing sounds of animals grazing nearby lulling you to sleep. Your adventure begins with a walk along the Makgadikgadi Pans in search of cheetahs and meerkats, followed by exploration of the Okavango Delta and Central Kalahari Game Reserve. Night drives reveal elusive nocturnal creatures, while daytime walks provide an intimate connection with the land. Your journey culminates with a visit to Victoria Falls, where a sunset cruise on the Zambezi River offers breathtaking views of elephants and hippos, and optional helicopter flights provide stunning aerial perspectives. Depart with a heart full of memories and new friendships, having fulfilled a lifelong dream.

Trip Highlights

- Observe African wildlife in their natural habitats and gain insights from expert naturalist guides.
- · Journey through two breathtaking game reserves in Botswana, immersing yourself in the stunning scenery and diverse wildlife.
- Experience the thrill of night game drives and exhilarating bush walks, then marvel at the breathtaking beauty of Victoria Falls and the Zambezi River.

Map View





Day 1

Welcome to Johannesburg!

Arrive in Johannesburg, South Africa's largest city, where your safari adventure begins. Meet your fellow travelers and gather for a group transfer to your hotel. Take some time to unwind and explore the vibrant surroundings. This evening, enjoy dinner at your leisure, savoring the local cuisine and setting the stage for the exciting days ahead. Overnight at City Lodge Johannesburg.



City Lodge Johannesburg Airport

Conveniently located at Africa's busiest airport. Offers guests access to a wide variety of retailers, restaurants and banking facilities within the airport building. The Hotel is equipped with a fitness room and a pool deck.

Amenities: complimentary toiletries, safe, flatscreen TV, air conditioning



Day 2 Journey to Makgadikgadi Pans

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight to Maun, Botswana. Once there, embark on a scenic 90-minute drive to Meno a Kwena, your intimate camp for the next few days. Settle in and unpack before heading out to explore Makgadikgadi Pans National Park. Marvel at the stunning scenery and search for antelope before enjoying a welcome dinner back at camp, toasting to the adventures that lie ahead.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: Meno a Kwena



Meno a Kwena

A tented camp that provides guests with a unique African wildlife experience. Nine luxurious guest tents, all with ensuite bathrooms, overlook a river often flooded with elephants and other animals.

Amenities: limited Wi-Fi available in the main lodge, laundry services available (with the exception of undergarments)



Day 3

Culture and Wildlife in the Kalahari

Start your day with a walk alongside the Kalahari Bushmen, learning about traditional hunting techniques and local culture. Near the river, keep an eye out for wildlife, including lions, elephants, and giraffes. After a day of exploration, relax in your tent, watching elephants and other animals from the comfort of your accommodation. End the day with a hearty dinner, sharing stories of your wildlife encounters.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: Meno a Kwena



Day 4

Into the Okavango Delta

After breakfast, drive back to Maun for your flight to the Okavango Delta. Upon arrival, settle into your luxurious safari camp near Moremi National Park, complete with a refreshing swimming pool. Head out for an afternoon game drive, keeping your eyes peeled for the area's majestic predators. Return to camp for dinner, reflecting on the day's thrilling wildlife sightings.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: Kanana



Kanana

The newly-renovated Kanana property is located in the Okavango Delta, and is home to an abundance of birds, plants, and animals. The tented lodges are spacious and well finished with a bathroom and shower.

Amenities: no Wi-fi or cell service; one guest computer with internet connection available, laundry services available (with the exception of undergarments)



Day 5

Delta Adventures Await

Depending on the day's schedule, rise early for a sunrise walk, a game drive, or a canoe excursion through the Delta's waterways. Experience the thrill of a night game drive, observing the unique behaviors of nocturnal animals in their natural habitat. Share stories and laughter with fellow adventurers over dinner, reliving the day's surprises and excitement.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: Kanana



Day 6

Exploring the Delta

At Kanana, activities vary based on the water levels of the Delta. Enjoy morning and afternoon game drives, exploring the diverse landscapes and wildlife. Alternatively, venture out in a Mokoro or motorboat, soaking in the beauty of the flora and fauna. End the day with dinner at camp, exchanging tales of your adventures while savoring the flavors of Botswana.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: Kanana



Day 7

Welcome to Sable Alley

After breakfast, catch a short flight to your next camp, Sable Alley. Upon arrival, take time to explore your surroundings, where wildlife often comes to you. Indulge in various activities, from game drives to walking safaris and water excursions, all while enjoying uninterrupted views of the stunning plains. Gather for dinner, sharing excitement about the activities ahead.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: Sable Alley



Sable Alley

Sable Alley is a complete rebuild of a favourite old bush camp. Overlooking a lagoon that's connected to the River Khwai, just a stone's throw from the world-famous Moremi Game Reserve. From the camp's swimming pool, lounge and outdoor seating area there is an uninterrupted view of large herds of plains game, elephant and buffalo coming to drink.

Amenities: limited Wi-Fi available via a centrally located hotspot, laundry services available (with the exception of undergarments)



Day 8

Morning Walks and Mokoro Rides

Start your day with an invigorating morning walk through the bush, immersing yourself in the serene sounds of nature. After breakfast, relax and enjoy birdwatching from the camp. In the afternoon, glide through the waters in a mokoro, searching for elephants, hippos, and crocodiles. Gather for dinner, exchanging highlights of your day's wildlife observations and experiences.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: Sable Alley



Day 9

Off to Victoria Falls

Leave the Delta behind and fly to Kasane, followed by a scenic 90-minute drive to your hotel in Victoria Falls. Settle into the luxurious Victoria Falls Safari Club and take some time to explore the area. Enjoy dinner at the hotel, gearing up for the spectacular experiences that await you at one of the natural wonders of the world.

Meals: breakfast, dinner | Overnight: Victoria Falls Safari Club



Victoria Falls Safari Club

Built on a plateau which overlooks the Zambezi National Park, Victoria Falls Safari Club offers luxurious and spacious accommodation with uninterrupted views of the pristine bushveld from your private balcony.

Amenities: complimentary toiletries, hairdryer, Wi-Fi, laundry services available (with the exception of undergarments)



Day 10

Marvel at Victoria Falls

Spend the day exploring the breathtaking Victoria Falls, with views from various vantage points along the forest path. Experience the thrill of a helicopter flight over the falls, capturing stunning photographs from the air. Enjoy a local lunch with Aunt Flatter, who shares her incredible life stories and delicious traditional dishes. She has lived through all the ups and downs in Zimbabwe and will share what it has been like as a local woman. Conclude your day with a sunset cruise on the Zambezi River, spotting wildlife while toasting to your unforgettable adventure.

The falls are formed as the full width of the Zambezi River plummets in a single vertical drop that is over 5,000 feet wide. There are also two islands on the crest of the falls that divide the flow of water.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: Victoria Falls Safari Club



Day 11

Farewell, Adventure Friends!

Bid farewell to your new AdventureWomen friends as you all depart Victoria Falls and make your way back to Johannesburg where you will board your flight back to the U.S.

After breakfast, prepare for your journey back to Johannesburg. Share fond memories with your new friends as you board the flight home, carrying with you the spirit of adventure and the beauty of Africa. Depart with a heart full of cherished experiences and newfound connections.

What's Included

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- · Accommodations as per itinerary based on double occupancy
- · All meals as listed in the itinerary
- · All ground transportation
- · Guided sightseeing and activities as indicated in the itinerary
- Domestic airfare
- · Gratuities for hotel and lodge staff

Not Included

- · International airfare to and from South Africa
- · Meals not specified in the itinerary
- · Alcoholic beverages (unless otherwise specified)
- Fees for passport, visas, immunizations, or travel insurance
- · Cost of hospitalization or evacuation
- · Items of a personal nature
- Gratuities for guides and drivers

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