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Cape Town - Franschhoek - Makalali Private Game Reserve - Hazyview - Livingstone (Victoria Falls) - Chobe River

Front Namibia

15 Days / 14 Nights

4-12 Persons

May 26, 2020 - June 9, 2020



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Introduction

Accommodation	Destination	Start	End	Basis	Room Type	Duration
Blackheath Lodge	Cape Town	May 26	May 30	B&B	6x Deluxe King or Twin Room	4 Nights
La Fontaine Guest House	Franschhoek	May 30	Jun 1	B&B	1x Deluxe Room, 5x Luxury Room	2 Nights
aha Makalali River Lodge	Makalali Private Game Reserve	Jun 1	Jun 4	FB+	6x Makalali River Lodge	3 Nights
aha Casa Do Sol Hotel & Resort	Hazyview	Jun 4	Jun 5	D,B&B	6x Villas	1 Night
aha The David Livingstone Safari Lodge & Spa	Livingstone (Victoria Falls)	Jun 5	Jun 7	D,B&B	6x Standard Double	2 Nights
Chobe Water Villas	Chobe River Front Namibia	Jun 7	Jun 9	FI	6x Luxury Water Villa	2 Nights

Key

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

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

Price

Land package per person sharing: USD 6,375

Internal flights: USD 1,100 (taxes subject to change)

Total per person sharing: USD 7,475

Single accommodation supplement: USD 2,560 (Limited availability)

** Optional tour extension in Johannesburg available on request.

Included

Accommodation:

- 4 nights in a Deluxe Room at Blackheath Lodge, Cape Town
- 2 nights in a Deluxe Room at La Fontaine Boutique Guesthouse, Franschhoek
- 3 nights in a Suite at Makalai River Lodge, Private game reserve, Greater Kruger
- 1 night in a Villa room, Casa Do Sol, Mpumalanga
- 2 nights in a Standard room at David Livingstone Safari Lodge, Livingstone, Zambia
- 2 nights in a Luxury Villa at Chobe Water Villas, Caprivi strip, Chobe, Namibia

Meals:

- 14 x Breakfast / Brunch
- 7 x Lunch
- 9 x Dinner

Tours & Transfers:

- (All tours & transfers are quoted on a private basis, unless specified otherwise)
- All airport transfers
- All transport for scheduled activities

Conservation levies, Entry fees or Tickets for:

- Table Mountain Cable Way (weather dependent)
- Whale Watching Boat Cruise (weather dependent)
- Cape Point
- Boulders beach Penguin Colony
- Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens
- Wine tastings at two farms
- Makalali conservation levy
- Panorama Route attractions
- Mosi-oa-Tunya park fees
- Chobe park fees
- All Government fees and taxes
- Note that all Government levies & taxes and all conservation levies remain subject to change

Internal flights:

- SA8657 01JUN CPTHDS 1050 1310
- SA8870 05JUN MQPLVI 1135 1310
- SA8307 09JUN BBKJNB 1400 1545
- (Includes taxes, subject to change)

Excluded

- International flights
- Compulsory Travel & Medical Insurance
- Items of a personal nature
- Gratuities
- Meals & drinks not specified as included
- Optional extra activities
- Spa treatments & shop purchases
- Visas if required

Transport

Flight Information

Date	Flight	Airline	Departure Airport	Time	Arrival Airport	Time
1 Jun	SA8567 (Scheduled)	Airlink	Cape Town International Airport [CPT]	10:50	Eastgate Airport [HDS]	13:10
5 Jun	SA8870 (Scheduled)	Airlink	Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport [MQP]	11:35	Harry Mwanga Nkumbula International Airport [LVI]	13:10
9 Jun	SA8307 (Scheduled)	Airlink	Kasane Airport [BBK]	14:00	OR Tambo International Airport [JNB]	15:45

Transfers

Date	Pick Up	Drop Off	Vehicle
30 May	Blackheath Lodge	La Fontaine Guest House	Private Guided Trip
1 Jun	La Fontaine Guest House	Cape Town International Airport [CPT]	Private Transfer
1 Jun	Eastgate Airport [HDS]	aha Makalali River Lodge	Private Transfer
4 Jun	aha Makalali River Lodge	aha Casa Do Sol Hotel & Resort	Fully Guided Trip
5 Jun	aha Casa Do Sol Hotel & Resort	Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport [MQP]	Private Transfer
5 Jun	Harry Mwanga Nkumbula International Airport [LVI]	aha The David Livingstone Safari Lodge & Spa	Private Transfer
7 Jun	aha The David Livingstone Safari Lodge & Spa	Kasane Immigration Office	Private Guided Trip
9 Jun	Kasane Immigration Office	Kasane Airport [BBK]	Transfer

Voyage Information

Date	Boat	Departure Port	Arrival Port
7 Jun	Ferry	Kasane Immigration Office	Chobe Water Villas
9 Jun	Ferry	Chobe Water Villas	Kasane Immigration Office

Day 1: Blackheath Lodge, Cape Town (Tue, May 26)

Cape Town

Resting at the confluence of the Indian and Atlantic oceans, sandwiched between the slopes of the iconic Table Mountain and the glistening sapphire waters of Table Bay, the exceptionally scenic city of Cape Town is in a class of its own. Some cities boast rich culture, vibrant nightlife, a cosmopolitan atmosphere and extraordinary architecture, while others boast breathtaking landscapes and extraordinary natural wonders. Cape Town is lucky enough to be blessed with all of these attractions and so much more. With its bustling harbour, world-class beaches, top-notch vineyards, and its mountainous surroundings brimming with diverse flora and fauna, Cape Town consistently captivates the hearts of all who visit.

Day Itinerary

Arrive at the Cape Town International airport (Own arrangements).

You will be met by one of our representatives for your transfer to Blackheath Lodge, centrally located near the v & A Waterfront, city centre and Sea Point promenade.

You have the rest of the day at leisure to settle in and familiarize yourself with the surroundings.

Overnight: Blackheath Lodge

We are well located near the happening city centre of Cape Town, the V&A Waterfront and the famous beaches of the Atlantic Seaboard.

Stay in one of our elegant rooms – a little eclectic and most of all, supremely comfortable throughout the year.

All rooms have FREE WiFi and are Air-Conditioned.

Enjoy our renowned cooked breakfasts on the deck overlooking the heated swimming pool, a drink in our friendly bar, or chill in one of the living areas.



Deluxe King or Twin Room

Eclectically decorated Deluxe en-suite air-conditioned room with a choice of extra-length king or twin beds, free WI-FI, flat screen TV with 12 satellite channels, DVDs. Complimentary tea and coffee served all day.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Included

Airport transfer

Excluded

Lunch, dinner & drinks

Optional afternoon activity

Day 2: Blackheath Lodge, Cape Town (Wed, May 27)

Day Itinerary

Today you explore the Mother City, visiting numerous attractions and interesting places not least of which is Table Mountain from where you will have magnificent views of both Table Bay and False Bay and the magnificent Kirstenbosch national Botanical Gardens!

Consultant Notes

The operation of the Table Mountain Cable Way is weather dependent.

Activities

Table Mountain

Without a doubt it is Table Mountain that makes Cape Town the unique city it is. Rising up over 1000m above sea level, it is the icon that makes Cape Town instantly recognizable. It is a symbol, a playground, a spiritual retreat and a big draw card for tourists. So intertwined with the identity of Cape Town is Table Mountain that a visit to the city isn't complete without having walked or taken the cable car to the top.

Company Gardens

The Company Gardens is a treed haven in the middle of the city and is surrounded by museums and fascinating buildings - St Georges Cathedral, the Salve Museum, The National Art Gallery and the Jewish Museum to mention a few.

Bo Kaap

The colourful suburb of Bo Kaap was exclusively for coloured Muslims during the Colonial and Apartheid times and today, this group still makes up the majority of residents. The quaint cobbled streets, the museum, the authentic purveyors of Cape cuisine and Cape Town's oldest spice emporium are all worth a visit.

Greenmarket Square

In the heart of Cape Town's business district, you'll find Greenmarket Square. The square has quite a reputation, it has been a slave market, a fruit and vegetable market and, during the 1950s, a humble parking lot. These days it's just the place to look for clothing, glassware, hand-painted fabrics, footwear, music, sunglasses and curios from all over Cape Town and Africa.

Kirstenbosch National Botanical Gardens

Kirstenbosch National Botanical Garden lives up to its reputation as the most beautiful garden in Africa and one of the great botanic gardens of the world.

Kirstenbosch was established in 1913 to promote, conserve and display the extraordinarily rich and diverse flora of southern Africa, and was the first botanic garden in the world to be devoted to a country's indigenous flora.

Kirstenbosch displays a wide variety of the unique plant life of the Cape Flora, also known as fynbos. Plants from all the diverse regions and biomes of southern Africa are also grown at Kirstenbosch, including a near-complete collection of cycads. There are over 7 000 species in cultivation at Kirstenbosch, including many rare and threatened species.

Kirstenbosch lies in the heart of the Cape Floristic Region, also known as the Cape Floral Kingdom. In 2004 the Cape Floristic Region, including Kirstenbosch, was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It is the first botanic garden in the world to be included within a natural World Heritage Site.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Included

Full day tour with Table Mountain Cable Way tickets and Kirstenbosch entry fees included

Excluded

Lunch, dinner & drinks

Entry fees to optional attractions

Day 3: Blackheath Lodge, Cape Town (Thu, May 28)

Day Itinerary

Today you visit one of the most beautiful places on earth, the Cape Peninsula! The tour includes a visit to Hout Bay, Cape Point in the Cape of Good Hope Reserve and the Boulders Beach Penguin Colony!

Activities

Hout Bay

The originally small fishing village of Hout Bay is now a popular suburb of Cape Town. Over and above being a lovely family beach, it has many tourist attractions which include the World of Birds, a township tour to the vibrant Imizamo Yethu, arts and crafts, boat rides out to Seal Island and some great, casual restaurants where you can relax and enjoy the surroundings.

Cape Point

Cape Point is a spectacular sight, covered in endemic fynbos and home to breathtaking bays, beaches and rolling green hills and valleys, just 60km outside of Cape Town. Cape Point falls within the Cape Floral Region, a World Heritage Site. The Cape Floral Region is one of the richest areas for plants in the world – it is home to nearly 20% of Africa's flora. Cape Point is open daily and is a must-see.

Boulders Beach

Boulders Beach in Simon's Town is ideal for kids as immense boulders shelter the cove from currents and large waves - but please always take care. It is a rare pleasure to swim with the penguins but don't touch or feed them. They might look cute and cuddly but their beaks are as sharp as razors and if they feel threatened they have no qualms about nipping the odd finger or nose.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Included

Full day tour of the peninsula with entries to Cape Point, & Boulders

Excluded

Lunch, dinner & drinks

Optional use of the Flying Dutchman funicular at Cape Point

Day 4: Blackheath Lodge, Cape Town (Fri, May 29)

Day Itinerary

You have the day at leisure and we recommend that you visit the V & A Waterfront with her numerous restaurants, shops, arts & craft markets and loads of entertainment.

You may also be interested in visiting the Zeitz MOCAA art gallery museum or the ferry cruise to Robben Island. Robben Island has served as a prison since the later 1600's when the Dutch first settled the Cape but garnered its infamous reputation due to the incarceration of former president Nelson Mandela.

Consultant Notes

The operation of the Robben Island Ferry is weather dependent.

Should you be prone to motion sickness, please make sure to take medication beforehand as the sea can be rough at times.

Recommended

Robben Island Ferry

This is where the ferry for Robben Island leaves from. The ticket office also has a little museum and a curio shop.

V&A Waterfront

Situated between Robben Island and Table Mountain in the heart of Cape Town's working harbour, the V&A Waterfront has become South Africa's most visited destination. Set against a backdrop of magnificent sea and mountain views, exciting shopping and entertainment venues are intermingled with imaginative office locations, world-class hotels and luxury apartments. The Waterfront is the heart of the tourist industry in Cape Town.

Zeitz Museum Of Contemporary Art Africa

Zeitz Museum of Contemporary Art Africa (Zeitz MOCAA) is a public not-for-profit cultural institution. Their mission is to collect, preserve, research, and exhibit cutting edge contemporary art from Africa and its Diaspora, to develop supporting educational and enrichment programs for all, to encourage intercultural understanding and guarantee access for all. It is the first major museum in Africa dedicated to contemporary art.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Excluded

Lunch, dinner & drinks
All entry fees and optional tours
Any transport

Day 5: La Fontaine Guest House, Franschhoek (Sat, May 30)

Franschhoek

Idyllically situated in the Cape Winelands, this peaceful country retreat is one of the oldest towns in South Africa. The once sleepy little village was named Franschhoek, meaning 'French Corner' as it was founded by French Huguenots. The fertile valley of Franschhoek boasts a rich heritage showcased at the fascinating Huguenot Memorial Museum and the Cape Dutch architecture in much of the village remains remarkably well preserved. The town's proximity to Cape Town allows for pleasant day trips during which visitors can explore the area's many world-class wine estates and impressive range of excellent restaurants or simply browse the quaint, upmarket boutiques strewn along the town's lovely tree-lined avenues.

Day Itinerary

After breakfast and checkout, fruit, mountains, beaches and whales are in the order of the day exploring the Overberg region of the Cape. The highlight of the day is a whale watching boat cruise from Hermanus harbour! The tour ends in the Winelands where you check in and enjoy dinner at any of the numerous restaurants in the Culinary capitol of South Africa!

Consultant Notes

The Whale watching boat cruise is weather dependent.
Should you be prone to motion sickness, please make sure to take medication beforehand as the sea can be rough at times.

Activities

Hermanus

Situated just 140 kilometres from Cape Town and built between the beautiful shores and cliffs of Walker Bay, Hermanus has grown from a small seaside resort town to become possibly the best-known place for whale watching in the world. This town is also famed for its natural scenic beauty, long stretches of pristine beaches and excellent variety of restaurants, cafes and bars. 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 famed Hermanus Wine Route.

Overberg

Literally meaning 'over the mountain' in Dutch, the Overberg region extends from the Hottentots Holland Mountains, east of Cape Town, to the start of the Garden Route near the historic town of George. It serves as the perfect base to explore the spectacularly scenic landscapes which are characterised by fertile farmlands, a series of mountain ranges, tremendous plant diversity including the uniquely South African fynbos and a rocky coastline that makes it a haven for outdoor adventures.

Southern Right Charters

SOUTHERN RIGHT CHARTERS is a leading boat based whale watching operator. The company is environmentally sensitive and as a licensed permit holder operates under the motto OBSERVING NOT DISTURBING.

The company has been in operation since 1999 and is located in Hermanus, regarded as one of the best whale watching areas in the world. This up, close and personal encounter with the gentle giants of the ocean promises to be an 'experience to be treasured.'

WHAT YOU CAN ENCOUNTER

Encounter Southern Right, Humpback & Bryde's whales.

Dolphins, Seals, and a large variety of marine birds including the African penguin.

JUNE- MID AUGUST | Humpback & Southern Right whales

JUNE-DECEMBER | Southern Right whales

Overnight: La Fontaine Guest House

La Fontaine Guesthouse has been completely transformed during an extensive refurbishment in the winter of 2018. Luxurious finishes and vibrant afro chic décor, La Fontaine is now officially open to welcome guests. Less than a three-minute walk from the historic Franschoek village centre La Fontaine is the ideal guesthouse from which to explore the various local and international award-winning restaurants, art galleries, and wine estates.

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Deluxe Room

Facilities include king size bed (extra length) with percale satin stitched linen, air conditioning (hot & cold), separate bathroom with spacious shower, LCD-TV, Nespresso coffee machines & Twinings Tea, safe, hairdryer, bath sheets and bathrobes & a per

Luxury Room

Facilities include a larger room, king size bed (extra length) with percale satin stitched linen, air conditioning (hot & cold), large en suite bathroom, Victorian bath and separate spacious shower, LCD-TV, Nespresso coffee machines & Twinings Tea, safe.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Included

Full day Overberg explorer with a whale watching boat cruise

Excluded

Lunch, dinner & drinks

Day 6: La Fontaine Guest House, Franschoek (Sun, May 31)**Day Itinerary**

The Cape Winelands is one of the most beautiful and romantic places on the planet (ok, the writer of this is biased, but with right)! With so many magnificent farms to choose from, we simply cannot leave out Babylonstoren and Fairview and browsing through the bric-n-brac shops and art galleries in Franschoek is also not to be missed!

Babylonstoren

Babylonstoren is one of the oldest Cape Dutch farms. It has a fruit and vegetable garden of beauty and diversity, unique accommodation, fine food and a sense of wellbeing.

Dating back to 1692, Babylonstoren is a historic Cape Dutch farm that boasts one of the best preserved farmyards in the Cape. Beloved for its magnificent garden that is laid out over 3,5 hectares (8 acres), the garden is divided into 15 sections that comprise fruit, vegetables, berries, bees for pollinating, indigenous plants, fragrant lawns, a prickly pear maze, ducks and chickens, and more. A secluded path runs along the stream where thousands of clivias flower in spring. The garden also boasts a plethora of trees of historical and botanical import. Every aspect of Babylonstoren – including the contemporary Farm Hotel & Spa, the Farm Shop and Bakery – are led by the ever-changing tapestry and botanical diversity of the garden.

Fairview Wine Estate

One of the most popular stops along the Paarl wine route, Fairview is more than just a winery – it's also famous for its range of cow's and goat's milk cheeses, which have won numerous awards and are distributed countrywide. A range of local produce can be purchased direct from the farm – cheese and olive oil from the deli, fresh bread from the bakery and vino from the cellar. Or if you prefer dining indoors you can follow up a wine tasting with a Mediterranean meal from the farm's Goatshed Restaurant.

Open seven days a week from 09h00 to 17h00.

Franschoek

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Stellenbosch

A blend of historical architecture, student life, epicurean delights and oak-lined avenues, Stellenbosch is a picturesque university town surrounded by mountains and vineyards. A walking tour of the town centre allows visitors to take in its beautifully preserved Cape Dutch and Victorian architecture, as well as the many enticing art galleries, craft shops, clothing boutiques and gift stores, while foodies may prefer indulging in mouth-watering cuisine and fine wines at one of the chic restaurants or buzzing bistros. Stellenbosch is also the ideal base from which to explore the renowned local wine route, boasting a high proportion of the country's leading wine estates.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Included

Full day winelands tour with tastings at 2 farms

Excluded

Lunch, dinner & drinks
Optional extra wine tastings

Day 7-9: aha Makalali River Lodge, Makalali Private Game Reserve (Mon, June 1 to Wed, June 3)

Makalali Private Game Reserve

Situated in the Lowveld region of Limpopo, the Makalali Private Game Reserve - also known as the Makalali Conservancy - covers over 22 000 hectares of pristine African bushveld stretching across a series of rolling hills. Makalali, meaning 'Place of Rest' in Shangaan aims to create a sanctuary for the diversity of fauna and flora in the area and re-establish the ancient wildlife corridor that connects the Drakensberg Mountains with the Kruger National Park. It is home to the infamous Big Five which includes lion, rhino, leopard, elephant, and buffalo. Visitors can look forward to soaking up magnificent views, spotting an abundance of wildlife and enjoying magical African sunsets. Don't miss the opportunity to jump on a thrilling safari through the African bush. Other commonly spotted species include: cheetah, kudu, giraffe, and zebra.

Day Itinerary

After breakfast and checkout, you will be transferred to Cape Town airport, for your scheduled flight to Hoedspruit in the heart of the Greater Kruger Park! SA8657 CPT HDS 10h50 13h10

Here your driver will meet you for a road transfer to the Makalali Private Game Reserve where you spend the next 3 nights. The reserve is thus home to an incredible variety of wildlife which you get to experience first hand!

Consultant Notes

Note that all internal flights are booked in Economy Class and include 1 piece of checked luggage, weighing no more than 44 lb and 1 piece of hand luggage weighing no more than 15 lb. Excess luggage can be paid for upon check in and will be for your own account. due to the size of the planes, excess luggage may only be accommodated on alternative flights that may only arrive the following day. Best is not to pack too much.

Note that you are entering the malaria area from today onward. Please take precautions against contracting malaria

Overnight: aha Makalali River Lodge [View iBrochure](#)

aha Makalali Private Game Reserve is located close to the mighty Drakensberg mountains west of the Kruger Park, this ethnic bush retreat lies on 26 000 hectares of bushveld in the North-eastern Lowveld, South Africa. Flights can be arranged into Hoedspruit Airport and from here transfers organized. Makalali Game Reserve boasts the 'Big Five' - lion, leopard, elephant, rhino and buffalo. Other characteristic species are cheetah, giraffe, zebra and kudu.

aha Makalali River Lodge is situated on the banks of the Makhutswi River. This 5 star lodge consists of three camps that have six luxury suites each. All the camps are private yet within easy access of one another, featuring a plunge pool plus enclosed dining and lounge area. All suites have an en-suite bathroom which includes an indoor and outdoor shower and fireplace. The raised, private timber viewing deck (sala) offers spectacular views from which to observe the bird life and game. It's also an ultimate spot for private luncheons or dinners.

Dining at aha Makalali Private Game Lodge is a culinary adventure. The cuisine is a combination of regional African cuisine which represents a melting pot of cooking styles that have evolved over the centuries of exploration on this great continent.



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Basis

Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities

Included

Airport transfers in Cape Town and Hoedspruit

Scheduled flight to Hoedspruit

Your stay at Makalali includes:

2 Game Drives per night spent, all meals & teas

Conservation levies and entry fees are included in this package, but remain subject to change

Excluded

Your stay at Makalali excludes:

All drinks, Curio Shop purchases, Spa treatments, Gratuities optional extra excursions

Day 10: aha Casa Do Sol Hotel & Resort, Hazyview (Thu, June 4)

Hazyview

Surrounded by subtropical fruit orchards, Hazyview is a small farming town and a gateway to the southern part of the Kruger National Park and the Panorama Escarpment. The town and its spectacularly scenic surroundings serve as a popular adventure capital with a remarkable array of exhilarating outdoor activities on offer to suit all ages, tastes and fitness levels. These include, among others: mountain biking, quad biking, ziplining, tubing, abseiling, and river rafting. Whether you are eager to hike the Panorama Route with its breathtaking views and impressive waterfalls, visit the Shangana Cultural Village, or horse ride along the banks of the magnificent Sabie River, Hazyview has something for just about everyone.

Day Itinerary

After your final morning game drive and breakfast, your guide will collect you for your full tour of the scenic Panorama Route, which will end at your accommodation in Hazyview.

You will visit attractions in the Blyde River Canyon, such as Bourke's Luck Potholes, God's Window, Three Rondavels and the Graskop Gorge Lift.

A set menu dinner is included at the hotel tonight

Bourke's Luck Potholes

The Treur River plunging into the Blyde River has caused waterborne sand and rock to create huge potholes, some six metres deep, into the bedrock of the river. This natural water feature is known as Bourke's Luck. There is a well-developed picnic area here and a series of walkways and bridges that enable visitors to get great views of this amazing geological feature. Another attraction at Bourke's Luck is the visitors' centre, which has numerous interesting displays. A newly developed, 180 m circular trail, accessible to the physically disabled, starts at the visitors' centre and has as its main theme the lichens found in the area.

Three Rondavels Lookout

The Three Rondavels Lookout is famous for its view of the 33 kilometre long gorge that forms the Blyde River Canyon. Its name is due to three hills that resemble African huts and were once called round hovels by the British.

God's Window

God's Window looks out over the Drakensberg escarpment dropping 1000m below, offering a view of the lowveld stretching out towards the Kruger National Park. Magnificent montane forest, canyons, rock formations and waterfalls can all be seen.

Graskop Gorge Lift Company

Located in Mpumalanga, South Africa, The Graskop Gorge Lift Company is centrally located on the Panorama Route and is an ideal stopover point, whether it be for the view, the forest, the food or the various adventure activities. The viewing lift takes visitors 51 metres down the face of the gorge into the forest below, where wooden walkways and suspension bridges meander along a 600-metre trail through the indigenous forest with interactive exhibits. Under the vivid green canopy of trees lies a lush wonderland filled with a spectacular variety of plants, animals, insects and birds.

The trail has six interpretation exhibits and includes information about the forest. The trail takes approximately an hour to complete. The Lift Café is a spacious, inviting restaurant and bar with a spectacular view.

Overnight: aha Casa Do Sol Hotel & Resort [View iBrochure](#)

A perfect setting in the heart of scenic Mpumalanga, the luxurious aha Casa do Sol Hotel Hazyview is located next to the Elephant Sanctuary and offers pristine pools, deeply shaded glades and lush flower gardens. The prevailing sense of elegance, peace and quiet belies the fact that the wild and untamed world of the famous Kruger National Park is a mere 15 minutes' drive away. The village architecture and sub-tropical gardens create a sanctuary of tranquillity and spectacular sunsets. The Hotel has two excellent conference venues to accommodate 12-260 delegates. During winter months, guests can relax by the fireplace in the comfortable lounge area.



Villas

Villa's offer private gardens or terraces and have en-suite bathrooms. Tea and coffee making facilities and a small fridge is available in the villa rooms

Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Included

Morning game drive
Full day Panorama Route tour with drop-off in White River
Dinner at the hotel

Excluded

Lunch & drinks

Day 11: aha The David Livingstone Safari Lodge & Spa, Livingstone (Victoria Falls) (Fri, June 5)

Livingstone (Victoria Falls)

Located a few kilometres from the Zambezi River in southwestern Zambia, the bustling town of Livingstone is famous as the home of the magnificent Victoria Falls. One of the original natural wonders of the world, the World Heritage Site is known locally as 'The Smoke that Thunders'. This spectacle is accessible from both Zambia and Zimbabwe and is an ideal place to combine game viewing and water sports. There is excellent fishing, a terrifying bungee jump and arguably the best commercial whitewater rafting in the world. Visitors can hike around the falls or try ziplining or the bridge swing. Those seeking more leisurely activities can take sunset cruises along the river, with champagne and snacks included, meander through the vibrant local Livingstone Market, or discover the region's history and archaeology at the Livingstone Museum.

Day Itinerary

After breakfast you will be transferred to Nelspruit's Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport for your flight to Livingstone in Zambia. SA8870 MQP LVI 11h35 13h10. Here you will be met by your driver for you transfer to the stunning David Livingstone Hotel & Spa, located on the banks of the Zambezi River, inside the Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park.

Check in is from 14h00 and you can have lunch at the hotel (own expense) should your rooms not be ready yet when you arrive.

In the afternoon you join a sunset cruise on the Lady Livingstone boat, which includes drinks and snacks. This cruise will remind you of Meryl Streep and Robert Redford from the movie, Out of Africa! Pack your hat and get ready to be romanced!

Dinner is included at hotel.

Consultant Notes

Note that all internal flights are booked in Economy Class and include 1 piece of checked luggage, weighing no more than 44 lb and 1 piece of hand luggage weighing no more than 15 lb. Excess luggage can be paid for upon check in and will be for your own account. due to the size of the planes, excess luggage may only be accommodated on alternative flights that may only arrive the following day. Best is not to pack too much.

Visas can be purchased at the airport in Zambia.

Activities

Lady Livingstone River Cruiser

The Lady Livingstone is a 3 decker River Cruiser designed to seat 144 people and designed with personal comfort in mind. The sunset cruise usually takes around 2 hours providing spectacular views of the sunset with snacks and drinks. The cruise takes place along the Zambezi River, aside from the spectacular scenery as you are in the Mosi-O-Tunya National Park you have a great chance of spotting Crocodile Hippos and even Elephants.

Overnight: aha The David Livingstone Safari Lodge & Spa [View iBrochure](#)

Blending perfectly within the lush surrounds of the Zambezi River bank, aha The David Livingstone Safari Lodge & Spa offers 5-star Victoria Falls accommodation nearby this impressive natural wonder of the world. Guests of this hotel near Livingstone, are treated to the glorious naturesscape, luxury bush accommodation in Zambia, and Zambezi River cruises.

This luxurious Zambia hotel with river-facing rooms ensures each guest enjoys the same serene views that once captivated David Livingstone, the intrepid explorer and missionary who was the first European to set eyes on the Falls.

Be sure to dine at aha The David Livingstone Safari Lodge & Spa's Kalai Restaurant to experience some of the finest Afro-Arabian fusion, cosmopolitan dishes in a traditional Zambian restaurant.

If you are looking to host an event in a unique setting, aha The David Livingstone Safari Lodge & Spa offers one of the foremost conference centres near Livingstone. This is also a beautiful wedding venue with state-of-the-art equipment and breathtaking views of the Zambezi River.

aha The David Livingstone Safari Lodge & Spa overlooks the Mosi-Oa-Tunya National Park, which creates a tranquil environment and the perfect space for a Victoria Falls spa experience.



Standard Double

Accommodation includes: colour, remote control televisions with access to satellite channels, safe, hairdryer, 24-hour room service, wake-up calls and a laundry service are provided, in-room mini bar and coffee/tea butler, telephones, internet & e-mail and air-conditioning, separate bath and shower, private balcony

ROOM FEATURES:

- Air Conditioning
- Bath
- Bathrobes
- Coffee & Tea Station
- Daily Housekeeping
- Free Toiletries
- Hair Dryer
- Minibar
- Patio
- Safe
- Shower
- TV
- Wi-Fi

Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Included

- Airport transfers in Hoedpruit and Livingstone
- Scheduled flight to Livingstone
- Afternoon Zambezi Sunset cruise, including drinks & snacks
- Dinner at the hotel

Excluded

Lunch & drinks

Day 12: aha The David Livingstone Safari Lodge & Spa, Livingstone (Victoria Falls) (Sat, June 6)

Day Itinerary

You have the day at leisure to choose from the myriad of activities on offer in the area and which you can book with the hotel concierge or you can also pre-book this with your agent at an additional charge.

Some of these include helicopter or microlight flights over the falls, white water rafting, river and/or fishing cruises, cultural and/or historical tours, canoeing, quad biking, horse trails, bungee jumping and so much more!

Zambezi River Safari

The 4 x 4 vehicles of the river! Aluminium hulled, jet propelled boats have been carefully designed so they can cross the 'rough terrain' of the river giving them access to places where other normal boats cannot go. This is a unique wildlife safari through the channels and rapids between the islands littering the wide part of the river just before the Falls. Elephant, hippo and wonderful birds are the main wildlife attractions and the views and sunsets are highlights.

Bungee Jumping at Victoria Falls

Bungee jumping at Victoria Falls provides the original and ultimate thrill! The location is unbeatable, in front of the largest curtain of falling water in the world, at a World Heritage Site, set against the backdrop of one of the Seven Natural Wonders in the World and above the raging torrents and misty gorges of the mighty Zambezi River. Four seconds of free fall and 111 metres of pure adrenalin. Victoria Falls Bungee is consistently voted as one of the top five adrenalin experiences on the planet. For Bungee Jump veterans, speak to your Jump Master and make it even wilder by doing an ankle-tied, back flip or a star elevator jump.

Helicopter & Microlight Flights

Experience the Flight of Angels; unforgettable Helicopter and Microlight flights with breathtaking views of the Victoria Falls, Batoka Gorge, the Zambezi River and the lush Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park.

With Batoka Sky, adventurers can choose from a variety of scenic short and longer Helicopter and Microlight Flights. Batoka Sky Helicopters also offer Gorge Liftouts after the river rafting activity and the incredible Gorge Picnic. The spectacular helicopter ascent out the gorge provides the perfect end to the day's activities.

Horse Trails**HORSE TRAILS**

Enjoy the African bush veldt and the Zambezi River riding along the riverbanks on the back of a horse. Whether you are an experienced rider or a novice it is a very pleasant and peaceful way to see game and enjoy the birds and the ride. Animals are less disturbed by a person on a horse and it is quite possible to watch game at very close quarters (sightings are not guaranteed). Experienced guides lead these trails and riders are put with friends or groups of similar riding abilities.

Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Included

Leisure day

Excluded

Lunch, dinner & drinks

Optional activities

Day 13-14: Chobe Water Villas, Chobe River Front Namibia (Sun, June 7 to Mon, June 8)

Chobe River Front Namibia

Forming the boundary between Botswana and Namibia is the Chobe River - one of the most well-known perennial rivers in Africa. The Chobe River Front encompasses vast floodplains fringed by lush riverine woodlands. The abundant wildlife inhabiting the river and its shores can be viewed from a river safari where visitors can spot elephants, hippo, water-loving antelope including the rare red lechwe and a variety of other game such as giraffe, zebra, and buffalo. Nature lovers will delight in the incredibly scenic natural landscapes and bird watchers can look forward to the wide section of bird species which can be spotted along the river banks.

Day Itinerary

After breakfast and check-out you transfer across the border into Zimbabwe where you do a guided walking tour of the Victoria Falls from the Zimbabwean side. This is from where all those iconic photos are always taken.

You then have some time to explore this vibrant tourist village, do some shopping for crafts at the local market and have an early lunch (own expense), after which you transfer into Botswana and on to Botswana immigration where you check out of Botswana and get your boat transfer of approximately 1 hour to Chobe Water Villas, which is only accessible by boat and is located in Namibia's Caprivi Strip on the banks of the Chobe River.

Consultant Notes

Note that both border crossings today will change vehicles at the border. You will also do a walking tour of the Falls and a boat transfer to Chobe Savanna, so be sure to wear comfortable shoes that can get wet.

You will need a visa for Zimbabwe that can be bought at the border.

Activities

Guided tour of the Falls (Zimbabwe)

A view of the Victoria Falls is something you will never forget and the best way to see them is on a guided tour. Discover how the Falls were formed and what local customs and traditions surround them. These tours are extremely informative and end with a visit to the local art and crafts centre.

Safari Game Drive

Morning 4 to 5 hour open 4x4 Game Drive Safari into Chobe National Park (08h00 - 12h00) including park fees, tea, coffee, biscuits or rusks and bottled water.

Chobe River Safari Cruise

Morning 3 to 4 hour Chobe River Safari Cruise along the banks of the Chobe National Park (08h00 - 11h00) including park fees, tea, coffee, biscuits or rusks and bottled water.

Overnight: Chobe Water Villas [View iBrochure](#)

WELCOME

Chobe Water Villas, an exclusive and intimate "boutique" Lodge is located in Namibia at the eastern tip of the famous Caprivi Strip now known as the Zambezi Region.

The Lodge is exclusively situated in the 150 km² Namibian Kasika Conservancy directly on the banks of the Chobe River and opposite the renowned Chobe National Park and the safari town of Kasane, in Botswana. This location affords unobstructed views into the National Park and over the world-renowned Sedudu Island. This island boasts the greatest density of wildlife of any river system in the world and includes Elephant, Lion, Buffalo, Hippo, Crocodile and up to 8 species of antelope and 460 of birds and waterfowl.

This spectacular location ensures that this exciting view into untamed Africa is available from the Lodge and every one of its 16 exclusive Water Villas. Chobe National Park itself is furthermore home to Giraffe, Wild Dog, Leopard, Cheetah, Jackal, Hyena and one of the greatest Zebra migrations after the Masai Mara or Serengeti in Tanzania and Kenya. The 117,000 km² Chobe National Park's wildlife statistics confirm that it is home to 160,000 Elephants along with some 164 mammal species representing one of the largest concentration of wildlife in Africa. Antelope species include Kudu, Roan, Sable, Lechwe, Waterbuck, Eland, Puku, Gemsbok, Springbok, Klipspringer, Impala and the occasional rare Sitatunga. This location at the confluence of the legendary Chobe and the mighty Zambezi Rivers is where the borders of Namibia, Botswana, Zambia and Zimbabwe meet.

Here in Africa keen fishing enthusiasts will be challenged by the greatest of fresh water fighting fish, the powerful and energetic Tiger Fish along with Nembwe and the delicious Three Spot Bream.

Chobe Water Villas nestle under magnificent shading Acacia trees and exclusively HOSTS a maximum of only 32 guests in its uniquely positioned 16 luxurious Water Villas and in its Lounges, Bar, Restaurant, Infinity Pool, African Boma and Pool Deck.

The arrival experience itself is unique as the only access is by a 15 minute leisurely Safari Boat transfer from Kasane in Botswana cruising across the Chobe River amongst Hippo and Crocodile. Upon arrival a warm and genuine Namibian welcome awaits you.



Luxury Water Villa

The Luxury Water Villas feature a 180 degree view of the Chobe River and into the Chobe National Park. Perched on stilts over or at the water's edge the Villa's elevated view includes the world-renowned Sedudu Island.

Basis

Fully Inclusive - Bed, All Meals, Fees and Activities

All Drinks (excl Premium Brands) Included

Included

Transfer from Livingstone to Chobe, via Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Your stay at Chobe Water Villas include:

Stocked mini-bars in Villas

Breakfast, lunch, high tea and 3-course dinner

All day complimentary tea & coffee butler station

All non-alcoholic beverages plus a selection of beers, wines, soft drinks, local spirits

Complimentary Wi-Fi access in all rooms and most of the Public Areas

Choice of two (AM and PM) activities per night booked.

Return transfers by road (5 minutes) to/from Kasane Airport and Kasane Immigration Border Post

Return transfer by boat (15 minutes) across the Chobe River to/from Kasane Immigration and Kasika Immigration at Chobe Water Villas

Excluded

Zimbabwe park entry fees to the Rain Forest, currently \$30 pp

Lunch & Drinks en-route to Chobe

Premium brand drinks at Chobe Water Villas

Day 15: End of Itinerary (Tue, June 9)

Day Itinerary

After a final morning activity and breakfast you will be transferred back to Kasane Immigration by boat and on to Kasane International Airport by road for your scheduled flight to Johannesburg. SA8703 BBK JNB 14h00 15h45.

An optional tour extension staying in Johannesburg is available on request and can be 1-3 nights with a day tour/s to explore Johannesburg, the Apartheid Museum and Soweto.

Consultant Notes

Note that all internal flights are booked in Economy Class and include 1 piece of checked luggage, weighing no more than 44 lb and 1 piece of hand luggage weighing no more than 15 lb. Excess luggage can be paid for upon check in and will be for your own account. Due to the size of the planes, excess luggage may only be accommodated on alternative flights that may only arrive the following day. Best is not to pack too much.

Please note that time your flight from Kasane is scheduled to land in Johannesburg and be sure to allow an absolute minimum of 2 1/2 hours between this landing time and any onward international flight. We strongly recommend that guests rather sleep over in Johannesburg on this night and cannot take any responsibility for missed connections for any reason.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Included

Morning activity and breakfast

Transfers to Kasane airport

Scheduled flight to Johannesburg

Excluded

Lunch, dinner and drinks

Optional tour extension staying in Johannesburg (recommended).

Terms and Conditions

Notes:

This tour is available to adults only

We will require the following to confirm anyone's seat on this tour:

1. A completed booking form to be filled out and signed by the guest/s,
2. A 20% NON-REFUNDABLE deposit of the full package price to confirm your seat.
3. A further 30% of the full package price deposit by 25 January 2020.
4. The balance of 50% will be due no later than 22 March 2020.
5. A copy of each guest's passport (not just your names as per your passport, but an actual copy)

All internal flights are booked on a group fare which only allows 1 piece of checked luggage weighing no more than 20kg (44lb) and 1 piece of hand luggage weighing no more than 7kg (15lb). Excess luggage will be for the guest's own account and will be payable at the airport on check-in and cannot be guaranteed to be on the same flight as the guests, due to aircraft capacity restrictions.

It is compulsory to have adequate travel and medical insurance to protect your investment in purchasing this Tour package. We recommend the "cancel for any reason" type of insurance that your agent can assist with. We will not entertain any discussions about refunds should you need to cancel your reservations for whatever reason once you have paid the deposit.

Optional tour extension in Johannesburg available on request.

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