

ITINERARY

Champagne Southern Africa

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Day 1

Arrive Johannesburg ex, fromat (air booked by overseas agent)

Assistance provided to Domestic Departures (including portorage - 2 bags per person)

Departure to Cape Town (air booked by overseas agent)

Arrive Cape Town ex

Transfer to hotel (including portorage - 2 bags per person)

Le Quartier Francais

Accommodation to be reserved: 2 nights(s)

Room Type: Suite(s) - 1 Twin

Breakfast included daily

Check in at the hotel is from 14h00 onwards

Resting in the French Huguenot village of Franschhoek. Each room is spacious and features a generous bed and sitting area. The two suites have private pools. The Four Quarters is the newest addition to the hotel. Guests may dine at either Ici Restaurant or at The Tasting Room Restaurant - one of the Top Ten Restaurants in South Africa, which has a fresh approach to Cape Cuisine.



Day 2

Day at leisure for individual activities

Day 3

This morning you will be collected from the hotel at 09h15 for a full day tour of the Cape Winelands including two wine tastes and a visit to the Stellenbosch Museum or the Franschhoek Museum.

Lunch included at La Petite Ferme Restaurant, in Franschhoek

Feast your senses in the sumptuous Winelands. A dramatic backdrop of craggy mountains and fertile valleys, covered with ever-changing colours of the vineyards, sets

the scene for enjoyment and relaxation. Sample the fruit of the vine in every glass of our world-renowned wines, whilst enjoying the culinary delights of regional cuisine. Discover the rich historical and cultural heritage of this area where splendid examples of Cape Dutch, Victorian and Georgian architecture have been preserved. The Winelands will leave you with lasting memories of warm hospitality and unsurpassed natural beauty.



Tour terminates on arrival:

Cape Grace Hotel

Accommodation to be reserved: 3 nights(s)

Room Type: Superior Room(s) - 1 Twin

Breakfast included daily



Day 4

Today you will be collected from the hotel at 14h00 for a half day tour of the city including a cableway journey up Table Mountain (weather permitting). Visit either the SA Museum, Jewish Museum (closed Saturdays), or the Castle of Good Hope.

The great charm of Cape Town is the magnificent mountain. It rises behind the city and is a sheer precipice to a height of 1 097m (3.566ft) cutting the skyline with a horizontal front three kilometres (almost two miles) in length. The best views are from the top of Table Mountain. The cableway takes you to the summit in under ten minutes whilst rotating gondola's ensure visitors enjoy a 360 view of the city.

The SA Museum houses more than one and a half million specimens of scientific importance. For nearly 200 years scientists at the Museum have been adding to these collections and studying them. The collections now range from fossils almost 700 million years old to insects and fish caught last week. There are also stone tools made by people 120 000 years ago, traditional clothes from the last century, and T-shirts printed yesterday. The Castle of Good Hope, is a pentagonal fortress built by the Dutch East India Company in the 1660's and 1670's. Today it is home to the regional headquarters of the South African Defence Force in the Western Cape and a military museum. En route back to the hotel, drive through the historical Cape Malay Quarters, namely Bo-Kaap.



Day 5

You will be collected from the hotel at 08h30 today for a full day tour of the Cape Peninsula including the Cape Point Nature Reserve and Boulders Beach to view the Penguins.

Lunch included at

Breathtaking scenery ignites the senses where the chilly waters of the Atlantic in the west meet the warm waters of False Bay in the east. Take the funicular to the old lighthouse overlooking this wild coast. The peninsula divides at the tip into three points, the Cape of Good Hope, Cape Maclear, and Cape Point. The Cape of Good Hope section of the Cape Peninsula National Park's flora is something to behold, with its fynbos species found nowhere else in the world. Stop at Boulders Beach, to see the penguins. Travel through Simon's Town and Fish Hoek, along Boyes Drive, which offers glorious views of the False Bay coastline, and the Hottentots Holland Mountains.



Day 6

For your light aircraft flight within Botswana, baggage is restricted to 20kg per person (soft duffel type bags) Excess baggage should be stored at the airport in Johannesburg (cost excluded). Our guide will assist you in storing these bags.

At you will be transferred to the airport (including portorage - 2 bags per person)

Departure BA6400 at 06h10 (Economy class E tickets to be handed to clients in South Africa)

Arrive Johannesburg at 08h10

Assistance provided to International Departures (including portorage - 2 bags per person)

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Arrive Maun at

Scheduled light aircraft transfer to Vumbura Plains departs at

Arrive Vumbura Plains airstrip

Vumbura Plains Camp

Accommodation to be reserved: 2 nights(s)

Room Type: Suite(s) - 1 Twin

Meals as well as morning and afternoon/evening game drives included daily

[Local beverages included \(excluding premium brands\)](#)

Vumbura Plains Camp is a luxury tented camp situated to the north-east of Mombo, in a private concession bordering the Moremi Game Reserve in the extreme north of the

Okavango Delta. The Vumbura Reserve offers both land and water activities in a park that has a wonderful variety of habitats and a great diversity of wildlife and offers an enormous traversing area of close on 130,000 acres. The main activity at Vumbura Plains is game viewing in wonderful and varied countryside. Their open 4x4 Land Rovers allow close proximity to animals in the savannah and forested areas. The Vumbura area is possibly the only area in the Okavango where one can see Red Lechwe (an animal that inhabits the fringes of the waterways) and a Sable antelope (an animal that enjoys the dry countryside) on the same game drive. Add in Lion, Leopard, Elephant, Cheetah and Buffalo along with all the plains animals and one has an excellent all round wildlife experience in a remote and private part of the Okavango. Birding too is great with large varieties and quantities. Walks, mokoros and boating give Vumbura Plains' guests the opportunity to enjoy Africa from a different perspective.

The entire camp overlooks a vast and attractive floodplain and the rooms are built under the shade of cool and shady trees. Vumbura Plains comprises of two separate seven roomed camps. Each has its own dining, lounge and bar area although all fourteen rooms (or parts thereof) can be utilised for larger parties. All of the spacious rooms are raised off the ground on wooden platforms with walkways connecting them to the main living areas. Each tented room has a large, very comfortable bedroom, a lounge, a "sala" and en-suite facilities with a shower, bath, a flush toilet and an outdoor shower under the stars. The main dining, lounge and pub area are also raised off the ground and are tucked beneath a canopy of cool, shady, indigenous trees with a wonderful vista across the floodplains. Each room has its own private plunge pool. Access into this area is only by aircraft and then by vehicle to camp.



Afternoon/evening game viewing activity

Day 7

Morning and afternoon/evening game viewing activities

Day 8

Morning game viewing activity

Lodge to provide schedule transfer to the airstrip

Scheduled light aircraft transfer to Mombo departs at

Arrive Mombo airstrip

Mombo Camp

Accommodation to be reserved: 2 nights(s)

Room Type: Suite(s) - 1 Twin

Meals as well as morning and afternoon/evening game drives included daily

[Local beverages included \(excluding premium brands\)](#)

Mombo Camp is situated on Mombo Island, adjoining the northern tip of Chief's Island, and are within the Moremi Game Reserve in northern Botswana. The camp offers abundant big

game, arguably the best in Botswana. The highlight here is the concentrations of plains game and all the predators – including the big cats! Leopard sightings are particularly good. Guests could see Lion, Leopard, large herds of Buffalo, Cheetah, Wild Dog, Elephant, Hyena, Giraffe, Wildebeest and Zebra.

The Reserve is surrounded by open floodplains that teem with game, while the camp itself is largely built in and around the shade of large matgosteen, ebony and fig trees. Mombo has nine luxuriously furnished tents. These are superbly furnished, large luxury tents. All rooms are built in the same style. The canvas rooms are spacious and well appointed and have en-suite facilities under canvas and an additional outdoor shower for those who enjoy a shower under the stars.

The camp is raised off the ground. The guest rooms and the walkways that connect the rooms to the living areas, are up to 2 metres off the ground, allowing game to wander freely through the camp – but at the same time allowing for guest safety.

The dining room, pub and living area overlook the open plain in front of the camp and there is a plunge pool for relaxing in the heat of the day. Activities at Mombo include morning and afternoon game drives in open 4x4 Land Rovers.



Afternoon/evening game viewing activity

Day 9

Morning and afternoon/evening game viewing activities

Day 10

Morning game viewing activity

Lodge to provide schedule transfer to the airstrip

Scheduled light aircraft transfer to Livingstone, via Kasane departs at

Arrive Livingstone at

Transfer to hotel (including portorage – 2 bags per person)

Royal Livingstone Hotel

Accommodation to be reserved: 2 nights(s)

Room Type: Luxury Twin Room(s) - 1 Twin

Breakfast included daily

Situated on the banks of the Zambezi River, close to the spectacular Victoria Falls. Every detail has been lovingly crafted to create the impression of being in another place in time, a time of romance and adventure. The bedrooms are two-story clusters inspired by the grand estate houses of a bygone era.



We leave the hotel at for return transfers to Sundowner Cruise on the Zambezi River

Until you have seen the African sunset, you have not experienced the glory of nature. Experience the sun setting through numerous M'lala palm trees which line the banks of the mighty Zambezi River. The colours of the sky, reflecting on the river, make the most perfect photograph for your album.



Day 11

Departure from the hotel, for your walking tour of the Falls is around 09h00.

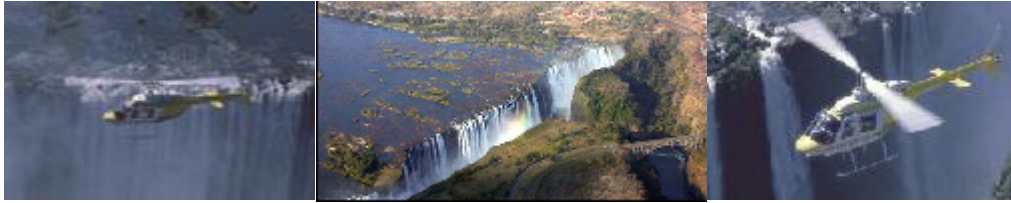
The guided walk of Victoria Falls takes approximately two hours. David Livingstone was the first European to visit the Falls, and named it after Queen Victoria. To the locals, it is known as "Mosi oa Tunya" – The Smoke that Thunders – an accurate description of what happens when the waters of the Zambezi River plunge over the 1700 metre wide and 100 metre deep chasm, creating a shower of spray and a deafening noise. From February to May each year, the Victoria Falls are in full flood and 500 million litres of water tumble over the Falls into a series of gorges each minute.



Departure from the hotel, for your helicopter excursion over the Falls, is at today.

This helicopter flight is designed for the keen photographer to give you and your camera an unforgettable bird's-eye view of Africa's greatness. Your pilot brings you low over the Victoria Falls and gorges - every second gives you a new opportunity to capture the drama and grandeur of one of nature's miracles. Experience the legendary "Flight of Angels" for a spectacular aerial view of the Victoria Falls. It is the most popular of the flight options. Departing from the helipad, the "Flight of Angels" is a scenic flight over Victoria Falls with an airtime of 12-13 minutes. Flying lower than a conventional, fixed-wing aircraft, you will fly a complete circuit over the Falls in both directions, giving you

the best views of the Falls. A quick trip up river and back over the Zambezi National Park completes your flight.



Optional sightseeing available: Visit to a cultural village, Elephant-back excursion

Day 12

Depart hotel at for transfer to airport (including portorage – 2 bags per person)
Departure BA6292at 13h30 (Economy class E tickets to be handed to clients in South Africa)

Arrive Johannesburg at 15h15

Transfer to hotel (including portorage – 2 bags per person)

The Saxon

Accommodation to be reserved: 1 night(s)

Room Type: Egoli Suite(s) - 1 Twin

Breakfast included daily

The welcoming entrance with a stately staircase which sweeps around a central glass dome. The all-suite hotel is set in six acres of lush landscaped gardens and one of the design themes is the extensive use of water. Suites incorporate a strong element of African art, latticed shutters covering large bay windows, looking onto the tranquil gardens or pool area.



Day 13

For your light aircraft flight to the lodge(s), baggage is restricted to 20kg per person (soft duffel type bags) Excess baggage will be stored on a complimentary basis at the Federal Air Hanger. Our representative in Johannesburg will assist you in storing these bags.

Transfer to airport (including portorage - 2 bags per person) at

At, you depart on your scheduled Federal Air light aircraft transfer (included)

On arrival at the airstrip (approximately) the lodge will provide a scheduled open vehicle transfer to:

Singita Boulders

Accommodation to be reserved: 3 nights(s)

Room Type(s): Standard Suite(s) - 1 Twin

Meals as well as morning and afternoon/evening game drives included daily

Local beverages included (excluding Champagnes)

Singita Game Reserve is an intimate sanctuary on the banks of the Sand River. This is where you will discover the most diverse and prime wildlife viewing terrain on the African continent. Bordering the Kruger National Park, 19000 hectares of sun-drenched, game rich, wide African plains, are what makes Singita the ultimate wildlife safari in the Sabi Sand eco-system. Experience the quite comfort and luxury under the gigantic Jackalberry trees in a shady woodland above the Sand River.

The lodge is sensational. First world comforts may abound, but Singita's ambience is distinctly African. Organic furnishings make up the textures and colors that create the unique, legendary African mood. Contemporary architecture, sees your individual double suite sensitively designed to ensure low impact on the environment. Each suite, built into the landscape on a cliff's edge, will allow you to view the wildlife on the flat, open plains across the Sand River, while soaking in your Victorian-styled bath. Breathtaking views are accentuated by walls of sliding glass.

Singita's innovative and highly original cuisine, is as diverse and as rich, as the African landscape and wildlife.



Afternoon/evening game viewing activity

Days 14 and 15

Morning and afternoon/evening game viewing activity

Day 16

Morning game viewing activity

The lodge will provide a scheduled open vehicle transfer to the airstrip in time for:

Scheduled Federal Air light aircraft transfer (included) at

Arrive Johannesburg approximately

Assistance provided to International Departures (including portorage - 2 bags per person)

Departure at to (air booked by overseas agent)

We wish you a pleasant stay in South Africa



HAMBA KAKUHLE

('Go Well' in Xhosa)