

19 Day Cape Town to Livingstone

The Highlights

- * Cape Town, Table Mountain (own expense) & the Cape of Good Hope.
- * Fish River Canyon.
- * Walking in the giant dunes of Sossusvlei and the Namib Desert.
- * Optional activities in Swakopmund.
- * Visit of a traditional Himba village.
- * Game drives & night observation of animals at waterholes in Etosha National Park.
- * Optional activities along the Okavango River.
- * 2 nights in Livingstone.
- * Game viewing cruise on the Chobe River.

Day 1: **Cape Town**

Set against the majestic Table Mountain, Cape Town offers scenic, historic and cultural attractions. Depart from Breakwater Lodge at 08h00, for a peninsula tour. Driving along the Atlantic seaboard via Hout Bay and Chapmans Peak, we visit the Table Mountain National Park — Cape Point, returning along the Indian Ocean coastline back to our well situated Waterfront hotel. A morning or afternoon cable car ascent up Table Mountain is optional for clients' own expense. Dinner can be enjoyed in the bustling Waterfront at clients' own expense. Breakwater Lodge (or similar accommodation).

(Accommodated — Lunch & dinner own expense)

Day 2: **Namaqualand**

Depart after breakfast for the West Coast. Travelling north set up camp in the heart of the Namaqualand region.

(Camping — B, L, D)

Day 3: **Fish River Canyon**

Crossing the border into Namibia, after lunch we have a short drive to the Fish River Canyon. After setting up camp enjoy a walk along the rim of the canyon and watch the changing colours of sunset over the canyon.

(Camping — B, L, D)

Day 4/5: **Sesriem/ Sossusvlei**

Our journey takes us north through ever changing scenery to our camp located on the edge of the Namib Desert. We enjoy a sunset walk in the dunes surrounding our camp. The following morning is an early departure for Sossusvlei, stopping in the dune belt to witness the changing colours of the world's highest sand dunes. We undertake a 5km walk to Sossusvlei and Deadvlei. In the afternoon we enjoy a short hike through the Sesriem Canyon.

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Day 6/7: Swakopmund

Heading north we reach the coast at Walvis Bay and enjoy lunch while viewing the many flamingos feeding. We arrive in Swakopmund and spend the afternoon and following day exploring this German colonial town or booking one of the numerous optional excursions (own expense). Activities available include sandboarding, quad biking, skydiving, kayaking, hot air ballooning or scenic flights over the vast Namib Desert. Dinner on day 6 and lunch and dinner on day 7 are for clients' own expense to sample the local restaurants. Accommodation in Guesthouse.

(Accommodated — DAY 6 : B, L | DAY 7: B)

Day 8: Spitzkoppe

Leaving Swakopmund we set up camp among the boulders of the Spitzkoppe Mountains. An afternoon walk is conducted in the surrounding area. The spectacular setting of our remote bushcamp is sure to leave a lasting impression.

(Camping — B, L, D)

Day 9: Damaraland

We drive inland through the Damaraland region with its vast and rugged terrain. Its mountain ranges are intercepted by wide gravel plains, which run into sandy, vegetated riverbeds and hot, dry valleys. In the afternoon we visit the Himba tribe, a semi-nomadic tribe, living in scattered settlements throughout the region. They are characterised by their proud yet friendly stature and the women are noted for their unusual beauty, enhanced by intricate hairstyles and traditional dress. A few hours are spent learning more about these fascinating people.

(Camping — B, L, D)

Day 10/11/12: Etosha National Park

This Park is one of the most important reserves and game sanctuaries in Africa with thousands of wild animals such as blue wildebeest, springbok, zebra, kudu, giraffe, cheetah, leopard, lion and elephant making this area their home. Floodlit waterholes at Okaukuejo and Namutoni campsites attract an abundance of animals throughout the evening, providing us with many amazing wildlife sightings. We enjoy early morning and late afternoon game drives.

(Camping — B, L, D)

Day 13/14: Okavango River

We enter the Caprivi Strip where camp is set amongst the lush vegetation overlooking the Okavango River. Enjoy sunset on the deck or a swim in the famous "river pool". Many optional activities (own expense) are available for the following day including mokoros, bird walks and boat cruises.

(Camping — B, L, D)

Day 15/16: Chobe River

Continuing through the Caprivi we cross into Botswana where we set up camp on the banks of the Chobe River. Chobe is famous for its beautiful scenery, magnificent sunsets and abundance of wildlife and birdlife. The following day we relax on a game viewing cruise on the Chobe River. A morning game drive in Chobe National Park is optional (own expense).

(Camping — B, L, D)



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Day 17/18: Livingstone/Victoria Falls

We travel across the Zambian border to Livingstone from where we view Victoria Falls, without doubt one of the greatest and most spectacular sights in Africa. Days are spent at leisure to browse the local markets, to experience the many optional activities on offer in the adrenalin capital of Africa including white water rafting, bungi jumping, microlighting, airplane or helicopter flights over the Falls, rhino walks, elephant back safaris, and to visit the Falls (own expense).

(Camping — All meals excluding 1 lunch & 1 dinner on day 18)

Day 19: Livingstone

Tour ends after breakfast.

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This itinerary will depend on local conditions.

