



20 Days Vic Falls to Cape Town - Southern Skies CAS0820

Note:

* Prices for Optional Activities are approximate and are supplied and controlled by the independent activity operators. The operator makes every effort to keep the site accurate and updated, but will not be held responsible for rate changes or inaccuracies in these prices.

* Accommodation and camps used may change from that stated and the operator reserves the right to change these as and when necessary.

PRE-DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Meeting Point:

Victoria Falls Rest Camp (pool dining-room)

Address:

Parkway Drive, Victoria Falls

Contact Details:

Tel: ++ (263) 13 405 09/11

Fax: ++ (263) 13 434 34

E-mail:

campsite@africaonline.co.zw

Pre Dep. Meeting:

18h30 pm on Day 1

Tour Start Time:

Truck leaves on Day 2 at approx 10h00 am, after breakfast

Tour End Point:

Saasveld Lodge after breakfast

Address:

73 Kloof Street, Gardens, Cape Town

Contact Details:

Tel: ++27 (21) 424 6169

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saasveld@icon.co.za

On Day 1, clients should meet at the Victoria Falls Rest Camp at 18h30 pm for the pre-departure meeting. PLEASE LOOK FOR THE TOUR OPERATORS SIGN IN THE RECEPTION AREA OF THE HOTEL FOR MORE INFORMATION WITH REGARDS TO THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE MEETING.



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INCLUDED IN THE TOUR PRICE:

Itinerary as specified, highlighted text is also included, fully equipped safari vehicle, services of tour leader and camp courier, all accommodation, all camping and catering equipment and scheduled National Park entrance fees. **Breakfast (B) Lunch (L) Dinner (D) where specified.** Meals not shown will be to the clients account. Occasionally breakfast and lunch may be combined into a brunch where necessary e.g. mornings with early game drives.

EXCLUDED FROM THE TOUR PRICE:

International Airfares, arrival and departure transfers, travel and medical insurance, personal spending money, visas, passports, vaccinations, personal taxes (including departure and border taxes) all optional activities, unscheduled or optional National Parks/Reserves entrance fees, gratuities, sleeping bag if required, restaurant meals and all other items of a personal nature. All drinks, even on days with full board basis.

PRE-DEPARTURE:

The pre-departure meeting will give you all a chance to meet your fellow travellers and get to know your guides. The meeting will cover all the aspects of the trip. Please bring with you to this meeting: your passport with relevant visa's and evidence of medical and personal insurance. Please also bring the Local Payment to the pre-departure meeting. **The local payment is required to cover a wide variety of our on-tour expenses, which can include National Park entrance fees, excursions and activities, certain fresh foods, vehicle tolls and entrance fees, as well as some accommodation costs whilst travelling throughout Africa. The local payment is the final tour fare instalment which must be paid in USD cash to the tour leader at the pre-departure meeting.** If you are unable to attend the pre-departure meeting, please let us know at least one week prior to your arrival in the country so the message can be passed on to all relevant parties.

*Please note that it is not possible to get USD in Vic Falls. Clients will not be able to use their credit cards or visa cards to USD. Please make sure that you arrive in Vic Falls with enough USD change for the local payment and optional activities.

Most clients arrive a few days prior to day 1 of the tour. Arriving a few days early will give them plenty of time to enjoy all that Vic Falls has to offer. We can arrange any accommodation or activities you may require if you want to arrive early or stay on in Africa after your tour ends. Please contact us for assistance.

VICTORIA FALLS TO CAPE TOWN:

Gasp at the most spectacular natural wonder of them all, Victoria Falls - Mosi-oa-Tunya, "The Smoke that Thunders". Be enthralled as you try to tame some of the most terrifying white water rapids in the world. Or give in to sanity and slip gently along the upper Zambezi. A whole world away we discover the mysterious Okavango Delta. A labyrinth of twisting and turning watery secrets. Gently poling through these winding waterways we view the teeming bird and wildlife. Namibia means "open plains" in the ancient Hottentot language. Its vast horizons and moonlike terrain give a wonderful feeling of space and freedom. Etosha is a unique National Park. With its flat open salt pans it is easy to see why the local people call it "The Great White Place". The Namib Desert is said to be one of the oldest deserts in the world and you will climb some of the world's highest sand dunes at Sossusvlei. Onwards to the Fish River Canyon, this takes you back in time as the river cuts through 100 million years of the earth's geological history. Your adventure safari ends at the fairest Cape beneath the majestic Table Mountain.



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DAY 1 - Victoria Falls

The spectacular Victoria Falls is one of the "Seven Natural Wonders" of the world. Explore it at your leisure. If you are an adventure lover this is the place for you! Take a sun downer cruise or enjoy hoards of other adrenalin activities. Our camp is located in the village centre. The pre-departure meeting will be at the Victoria Falls Rest Camp at 18h30 pm. All meals to your own expense.

CAMPING

DAY 2 - Chobe National Park (90 km - 2 hours)

Departing Victoria Falls we head for Botswana and our first border crossing. Your guides will help with all the border formalities and once through a short drive to Kasane takes us to our camp situated right on the banks of the Chobe River. Chobe National Park is home to some of the largest herds of elephant in Africa. In the afternoon we will go on an included guided river cruise for some game viewing. Breakfast and lunch included.

CAMPING

DAY 3 - Maun (606 km - 7 ½ hours)

Departing Chobe we travel through Botswana. Today is a long day's travelling, so be prepared. We arrive in the little town of Maun, which is the gateway to the Okavango Delta. Our camp is just outside of town. In the evening there will be a full briefing on what to expect and pack for the delta excursion. Please remember space in the "makoros" (local word for canoe - and your mode of transport into the Delta) is at a premium and a small overnight bag with your sleeping bag and necessary clothes for 2 days is all that is needed. Breakfast and lunch only. Dinner is to your own account.

CAMPING

DAYS 4 & 5 - Okavango Delta

An early morning pickup awaits us at the camp where we will be transferred to the "makoro" poling station by vehicle. We will be assigned our makoro - each complete with poler /guide. After a two to three hour relaxing journey into the delta we will set up camp. The Delta is an incredible maze of inland waterways and lagoons. We'll be on safari 'makoro' style, poled gently along in canoes, hand hewn from logs, floating through this haven of wildlife and birds. Your poler guides will also take you on game walks to experience the full splendour of the region. Please note that there are no ablution facilities and camps will be bush camps. Meals will be carefully planned for this duration. Breakfast, lunch, dinner included.

BUSH CAMPING

DAY 6 - Maun

After breakfast we are gently poled back to the vehicle pick up point and transferred by vehicle back to our camp in Maun. Breakfast, lunch, dinner included.

CAMPING

DAY 7 - Gobabis (580 km - 10 hours)

We travel and cross the border into Namibia and proceed to Gobabis where we will overnight on a private game farm. This is our first night in Namibia and a fitting place to hear fireside tales of your journey so far and discuss the days ahead. Breakfast and lunch included.

CAMPING

DAY 8 - Waterberg Plateau National Park (580 km - 8 ½ hours)

"Hippo Trail" and "Dunes and Cape Safari" are modules of "The Southern Skies" tour, and all clients booked on this module will be dropped off/collected in Windhoek before the tour continues. We leave Gobabis and travel to Waterberg Plateau National Park. Waterberg Plateau is historically significant because it was the site of the war between the Germans and the Hereros. Now the area has become a haven for many endangered species. It is renowned for incredible rock formations and walks. Your time in the Waterberg is your own and you are free to walk in the park at your leisure. Optional game drives and guided walks are available. Breakfast, lunch and dinner included.

CAMPING

DAYS 9 & 10 - Etosha National Park (260 km - 5 hours)

Etosha National Park is Namibia's premier game park. Dominated by shimmering white salt pans you have a chance to see elephant as well as black rhino, lion and leopard. Most camps have floodlit water holes, which are excellent for after dinner game viewing, as well as swimming pools for cooling off during the heat of the day. We will enjoy 3 game drives whilst at Etosha all taken in the vehicle. Typically we will make an early start, ideal for morning game viewing, and drive to some of the waterholes in the park before heading back to camp for brunch. Approximately 3 hours per game drive. In the afternoons we will take another game drive and return to camp before dark for dinner. Breakfast, lunch and dinner on Day 9. Breakfast and lunch on Day 10.

CAMPING

DAYS 11 & 12 - Swakopmund (515 km - 9 hours)

Leaving Etosha we journey to Swakopmund, a delightful Bavarian-style town, situated snugly between sea and desert. There are great beaches, activities such as deep-sea fishing, quad biking and dune boarding plus an array of shops, bars and restaurants. In Swakopmund you are free to explore at your leisure or partake in the many optional activities. This is also a chance to catch up on laundry, banks and communications. Breakfast and lunch only on Day 11. Breakfast only on Day 12.

LODGE

DAYS 13 & 14 - The Namib Naukluft National Park (350 km - 5 hours)

We continue on to The Namib Naukluft National Park and the giant sand dunes of Sossusvlei. This is one of the world's oldest deserts, offering over 130 million years of natural wonder, and the highest sand dunes in the world!! Climb the dunes for an unforgettable sunrise. Optional adventure activities including guided walks, hot air ballooning and light aircraft flights. On day 14 we leave the camp very early and travel into the park. We head for Dune 45 and climb the dune for a magnificent sunrise, after which we proceed on to Sossusvlei and the 2x4 parking area. From here it is an approximate 5 km walk to the vlei where you are free to explore. There is an option for a guided walk (this is to the clients own expense). Stunning photographic opportunities are available in the dunes. In the late afternoon you will be taken to the nearby Sesriem canyon and return to camp for the evening meal. There is a small swimming pool at the camp if you wish to relax and soak up the sun. Breakfast, lunch and dinner included.

CAMPING

DAY 15 - The Fish River Canyon (500 km - 8 hours)

We head for the awesome Fish River Canyon. There will be time to take in a beautiful sunset over the canyon, or partake in an optional walk along the rim of the canyon. Breakfast and lunch included.

CAMPING



DAY 16 - The Gariep River (220 km - 2 ½ hours)

We border cross into South Africa and head for our camp on the riverbank. You will have the opportunity to partake in an optional canoe safari or just relax at the riverside bar. Breakfast, lunch and dinner included.

CAMPING

DAY 17 - Lamberts Bay (450 km - 6 hours)

We depart for Lambert's Bay and our camp. Here you have the option of visiting the well-known "Bird Island" (own expense). Breakfast and lunch included.

CAMPING

DAY 18 & 19 - Cape Town (250 km - 5 hours)

Sample the sights and sounds of this magical city at the Southern end of the African continent. A host of optional activities are available including, trips to Robben Island, Peninsula tours, wine tasting, and much more. Please ask us for assistance in booking these excursions. Breakfast included, all other meals in Cape Town will be to the client's expense.

LODGE

DAY 20 - Tour Ends

Our tour ends after Breakfast.

Please note: While it is our intention to adhere to the itinerary described above, there is a certain amount of flexibility built into the itinerary and on occasion it may be necessary, or desirable to make alterations. On Day 1 of your tour, you will be advised of any amendments.



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