



25 Day South West Safari CAE2509

From Africa's premier attraction, Victoria Falls, to its most beautiful city - Cape Town - via the world's oldest desert, the Namib-Naukluft, the tranquil wilderness of the Okavango Delta, the dramatic Fish River Canyon, and prime game reserves - Etosha, Chobe and Kruger - this is a superb introduction to southern Africa!

DAYS 1 - 6

From exciting Johannesburg head to southern Africa's most famed and premier game park, the greater Kruger. Spend two nights in the Kruger area in search for the Big 5 - lion, elephant, buffalo, rhino and leopard, as well as giraffe, hippo, antelope and many smaller animals. Continuing north we travel into Botswana, via Francistown and Nata to Kasane and Chobe National Park. Enjoy an afternoon on the famous fish eagle game viewing cruise on the Chobe River, a relaxing way to see hippo and elephant drink in the river's cool waters (own expense). We cross the Zambezi River into Zambia and drive the short distance to Livingstone, our base to explore the thundering Victoria Falls. The area is a hub for various optional activities, including white water rafting, bungy jumping, microlighting, canoeing and horse riding, to name but a few. (SWS19 day tour begins in Livingstone)

DAYS 7 - 12

In addition to the activities, simply viewing the Victoria Falls is a must-do African experience. There is also the option of a sunset game viewing cruise on the quiet upper stretches of the river (above the Falls) and hopefully catch sight of hippo, crocodile and a variety of birdlife. From Livingstone we return to Botswana and revisit Chobe National Park for an early morning game drive, hoping to see elephant, buffalo, lion as well as the range of birdlife present in the park. Relax during the heat of the day before an afternoon game viewing cruise on the Chobe River. Further south is the Okavango Delta, a natural wetland where the Kavango River fans out into the only inland delta in the world. Explore the myriad waterways and stunning scenery on foot and by makoro (dugout canoe), and perhaps catch a glimpse of hippo, crocodile and the abundant birdlife. We camp on river islands and enjoy the peace amongst the swamps, lily pads, and swaying grasses of the Okavango Delta - an unforgettable wilderness experience!

DAYS 13 - 19

From Botswana we cross into Namibia and enjoy a bushman walk before continuing to Windhoek and Etosha National Park. This vast reserve of over 20,000 sq km surrounds a central salt pan. We track game by day and spend two nights camping near floodlit water holes. From Etosha we pass into Damaraland, an area of eerie landscapes and barren rocky outcrops and camp in the tranquil area of Spitzkoppe also known as the Matterhorn of Africa and have the opportunity to see ancient bushman paintings. From Spitzkoppe we head to the Atlantic Coast and visit the Cape Cross Seal Colony, home to 80,000 seals and the site where Portuguese mariner Diego Cão, first set foot on the coast of south-west Africa in 1486. Further south, sandwiched between the ocean and desert is Namibia's only seaside resort, Swakopmund, where a number of optional activities such as quad-biking, sand boarding, scenic flights are available.



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DAYS 20 - 25

We continue south to the Namib-Naukluft National Park, the world's oldest desert. At dawn climb to the top of a giant sand dune for a dramatic sunrise over the vast sand sea and walk to the shimmering salt pans and enjoy a guided walk amidst the dunes. Further south we visit another natural wonder of Africa – Fish River Canyon, the second largest canyon in the world. Continuing to the Gariiep (Orange) River we camp on its banks and enjoy a relaxing afternoon. Crossing into South Africa, we pass through Namaqualand's barren landscape and stop overnight in the Citrus area of the Western Cape. After a cultural visit to one of Cape Town's townships for an insight into how some of the poorest people in Africa live, our tour ends.

Day 1 - Depart Johannesburg, Mpumalanga region, Greater Kruger (Dinner)

Day 2 - Greater Kruger, Game Drive, Optional night drive (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 3 - Polokwane / Martin's Drift (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 4 - Nata, Francistown Botswana (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 5 - Kasane, Chobe National Park, Botswana, Fish eagle cruise (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 6 - Waterfront, Livingstone (Breakfast)

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Day 7 - Waterfront, Livingstone, Victoria Falls (Breakfast)

Day 8 - Victoria Falls visit, Chobe National Park (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 9 - Chobe National Park, 4x4 safari, Chobe River, Fish Eagle Cruise (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 10 - Maun (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 11 - Okavango Delta, Mokoro / walking safari wilderness experience (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 12 - Maun (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 13 - Ghanzi Bushman walk (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 14 - Windhoek, (Breakfast & Lunch)

Day 15 - Estoha National Park, Game drives (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

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Day 17 - Spitzkoppe, Bushman paintings (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)





- Day 18** - Cape Cross Seal Colony, Swakopmund (Breakfast & Lunch)
- Day 19** - Swakopmund (Breakfast & Lunch)
- Day 20** - Sesriem, Namib Naukluft National Park (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 21** - Sesriem, Desert walk (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 22** - Fish River Canyon, (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 23** - Gariiep (Orange River) (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 24** - Western Cape (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 25** - Cape Town, Township visit (Breakfast & Lunch)

DATES

Start (JNB) Start (LVI) Finish (CPT)

- 15 Nov07 - 21 Nov07 - 09 Dec 07
- 29 Nov07 - 05 Dec 07 - 23 Dec 07
- 13 Dec 07 - 19 Dec 07 - 06 Jan 08
- 27 Dec 07 - 02 Jan 08 - 20 Jan 08
- 10 Jan 08 - 16 Jan 08 - 03 Feb 08
- 24 Jan 08 - 30 Jan 08 - 17 Feb 08
- 07 Feb 08 - 13 Feb 08 - 02 Mar 08
- 21 Feb 08 - 27 Feb 08 - 16 Mar 08
- 06 Mar 08 - 12 Mar 08 - 30 Mar 08
- 20 Mar 08 - 26 Mar 08 - 13 Apr 08

DETAILS

Duration: 19 Days / 25 Days

Start: Jo'burg / Livingstone **Finish:** Cape Town

Countries: South Africa, Namibia, Botswana, Zambia



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Group size: Ave 16 Max 24 Age: 18-45

Included in the price: Fully equipped safari vehicle, camping and cooking equipment, all road tolls and vehicle taxes, all ground transportation, services of driver / tour leader, sleeping mattress, meals as indicated, Malawi cultural village, Cape Cross Seal Colony, Cape Town Township Tour.

Not included: Local payment excursions, visas, travel insurance, flights, departure taxes, departure airport transfers, sleeping bag, drinks and items of a personal nature.

EXTRA ADVENTURE ACTIVITIES

Quad-biking, sand-boarding, sky-diving at Swakopmund, white water rafting, canoe, elephant safari, bungee jumping at Livingstone and Victoria Falls. See tour dossier for a full range of optional activities. All activities are subject to availability.



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