



Johannesburg, Victoria Falls, Hwange National Park and Cape Town

From Johannesburg's bright lights, to the thundering waters of Victoria Falls, the wildlife safaris in Hwange National Park to beautiful Cape Town - this program has everything to make your adventure one to remember! We specialize in customized, small group travel. So, if you're a couple, a family or a group of friends, we can design a program to exactly suit your requirements. Please request a quote from one of our Africa specialists.



9 days/8 nights

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Day 1: Arrive Johannesburg

Upon arrival you will be met at the airport and transferred from Johannesburg Airport to your downtown hotel, The Peech Hotel.

The Peech Hotel is set amongst 2 acres of lush garden setting, located within the residential suburb of Melrose. Our eco-chic boutique hotel has 16 guest rooms, all with private outdoor patios and overlooking our central garden area with pool. Full breakfast and unlimited WiFi access are included. Each of our guest rooms offers modern facilities and well-appointed bathrooms, including rain-dance showers and baths, work desk and casual seating area with coffee table, flat screen TV, wardrobe, air conditioning, laptop safes, Nespresso machines and king sized beds. Our Bistro

menu offers fresh, light, seasonal produce throughout the day, with ingredients sourced from leading local suppliers, or from our own organic vegetable garden wherever possible. The Peech champions responsible tourism by blending awareness for the environment and the community, and we are Fair Trade Tourism certified.

Described as "Contemporary, edgy and Afrocentric" by Condé Nast Traveller, and awarded 'Best City Boutique Hotel' in Africa at the 2014 World Boutique Hotel Awards.

The Peech is located near the main shopping and business hubs of Rosebank (3 mins) and Sandton (8 mins), and we are surrounded by local boutiques, cafés, salons, an art gallery and an adjacent park for walking or running. Guests also have direct access to neighbouring Planet Fitness gym facility and indoor pool.

Johannesburg is one of Africa's biggest and most vibrant cities. It is the economic capital of Africa and the gateway to Southern Africa. Although not as famous as other South African destinations, there is plenty to do in Johannesburg and nearby Pretoria. The old city is a multi-cultural mixture of traditional medicine shops, Chinese restaurants, taxi ranks and ultra modern skyscrapers. There are excellent museums, art galleries and organised tours of historical and political interest. The shopping is Southern Africa's best and the many restaurants cater for all tastes. The nearby township of Soweto is Johannesburg's most popular tourist attraction.

Private Half Day Apartheid Museum & Soweto

This tour of approximately 5 hours provides a great opportunity to take a closer look at South Africa's turbulent past; by combining a drive through Soweto with a visit to the Apartheid Museum, regarded as the pre-eminent museum in the world dealing with 20th-century South Africa, at the heart of which is the story of apartheid. The Museum opened its doors in 2001. Here you will embark on a historical voyage of discovery, a personal exploration of



the past that examines apartheid right up to the first democratic elections held in 1994. The tour of the museum lasts approximately two hours. We then continue to Soweto, a sprawling residential area that has become a “city within a city”. Soweto is home to approximately two million people, many of whom work in various parts of the greater Johannesburg metropolitan area. We follow a route that takes us past all the major points of interest, including the Chris Hani Baragwanath Hospital, Baragwanath taxi rank, Regina Mundi church, Hector Pieterse Memorial and Nelson Mandela’s former home. You are dropped off at your hotel following the tour.

Day 2: Johannesburg – Victoria Falls

A private transfer from your hotel to the airport to catch your flight on to Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe. On arrival you are transferred to the Victoria Falls Safari Club, your accommodation for two nights.

After check-in at the Club Lounge you can settle in to your Club Room at Victoria Falls Safari Club, located just 4kms from Victoria Falls, and situated within the magnificent grounds of the Victoria Falls Safari Lodge resort. The Safari Club comprises 16 Club Rooms & 4 Club Suites. The luxurious rooms have uninterrupted views of the unspoilt bushveld and spectacular sunsets. All rooms have three-quarter beds that can be converted into king beds. Room facilities include: complimentary mini bar which is re-stocked daily with local beer and soft drinks, house wine and bottled water, digital safes large enough to hold laptop computers, international multi sockets, beverage station including Nespresso machine, LED lighting, gauze screens and sliding glass doors opening out onto a private balcony, complimentary WiFi, and air-conditioning.

The Safari Club has its own Club Lounge, and offers a butler-style service, complimentary afternoon tea and pastries served 3:30-4:30pm, complimentary sundowners and canapés served from 5:30-6:30pm and complimentary head, shoulder or foot massage on the viewing deck from 3:30pm-4:30pm (subject to availability of massage therapists). There is also a complimentary shuttle service to the Victoria Falls, town centre and markets. Light meals are available from 11:00am-9:30pm and bar service from 11:00am-late.

Ra-Ikane Sunset Cruise

The Ra-Ikane, named after the guide who led David Livingstone to the Victoria Falls, was hand-built to resemble a turn-of-the-century riverboat, and is luxuriously finished with teak superstructure, brass fittings, a carpeted deck and club chairs and tables giving guests a taste of Victorian splendour in the heart of Africa. On arrival, you are welcomed with a cocktail and served tea and cakes whilst given a safety talk and a brief history of the river. The cruise takes you through a scenically beautiful area of the Zambezi. Large animals such as elephant, hippo and crocodiles are frequently seen, as well as a wide diversity of other game and bird life. Being a mono hull, the boat has a low profile in the water and you are comfortably seated closer to the water line than on the conventional pontoon cruise boats. The boat is staffed with a captain, guide, hostess and waiter to ensure that all your needs are met. A flat deck allows for plenty of room to get up and move around during the cruise and maximise the experience. Drinks from a fully stocked bar as well as a range of snacks are included.

Day 3: Victoria Falls

Victoria Falls Zimbabwean Side

The Victoria Falls is one of the seven natural wonders of the world. 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 edge into a series of gorges each minute! After a briefing and explanation of the Falls, your guide accompanies you along the 1.7 kilometre scenic pathways of the rainforest, stopping at numerous viewpoints to gaze at the Falls. The tour is approximately 1 – 2 hour. Includes transfers to and from your hotel.

Livingstone Island Lunch

When Livingstone travelled downstream in November 1855 with the local Tonga tribesmen, he camped for several days on an island to explore his discovery, the Victoria Falls, and its surrounds. Now protected by National Parks, and aptly named Livingstone Island, it has become one of the worlds most unusual picnic sites. The Island is located in the middle of the Zambezi River and is perched on the very lip of the Falls on the Zambian side. Accessed by boat, your personal waiter will serve you a sumptuous three-course picnic meal, including champagne only a few metres from the spray of the Falls, the widest curtain of water in the world. NB. This activity is water-level dependent. We cater for a maximum of 16 persons. Wine, beer and soft drinks are included as well as park entry fees. Swimming in



the Devils

Pool may be an option (bring your bathing suit and towel along), subject to timing on the excursion and water levels.

Flight of the Angels Helicopter Excursion

This ideal birds-eye aerial view of the Zambezi River, the Victoria Falls and the gorges can be viewed by light aircraft (fixed wing) or Bell helicopter (Jet Ranger 4 passengers, Long Ranger 6 passengers). View the Zambezi from the air

in all its beauty as it flows to the Falls, where it throws up a cloud of spray that sometimes reaches 300 metres high. The excursion also gives you a better understanding of the zigzag gorge system and how it developed it also ideally

complements a ground tour of the Falls and its surrounding rainforest. Helicopter flights are weather-permitting. No age restriction. specific weight or health requirements apply. Please note that each helicopter has a middle seat and

there is no guarantee of a window seat - it is on a first come, first serve basis. A fee of US\$12.00 per person is excluded and must be paid directly to the operator.

Day 4: Victoria Falls - Hwange National Park

You will be transferred to the Victoria Falls airport to catch your circuit flight to Linkwasha Camp in Hwange National Park. Departure taxes cannot be pre-collected and must be paid in cash prior to departure (no payment by credit card or traveller's cheques is allowed). On arrival to Hwange National Park Airport you are met by your camp guide and transferred to Linkwasha Camp.

Nine luxurious en-suite tents (eight twin and one family) make this the most exclusive of Hwange's camps. The multilevel main area shares the same unimpeded views as is enjoyed from the tents.

Hwange National Park is Zimbabwe's biggest reserve, home to a profusion of wildlife, including giraffe, lion, zebra and approximately 40 000 elephants. It provides sanctuary for all the country's endangered species, including a population of wild dogs thought to be among the most sizeable surviving groups on the continent. Terrain ranges from desert dunes and savannah lands to rocky outcrops and sparse forests, and visitors have the choice of game drives, guided walks or horseback safaris as a means of experiencing the park and its creatures.

Day 5 & 6: Linkwasha Camp

Linkwasha Camp lies in a private concession near the Ngamo Plains in Hwange National Park. Hwange is known for its prolific summer or green season game viewing, and Linkwasha adds an extra dimension during the dry season, when wildlife streams to drink from the pan immediately in front of the camp. Day and night safaris in open 4 4 vehicles, walks and village visits let guests get to know their neighbours, both animal and human. Insider Tip- Enjoy the thrill of getting your feet on the ground on a walking safari in the company of Linkwasha's knowledgeable and highly experienced safari guides.

Day 7: Hwange National Park - Victoria Falls - Cape Town

Time to say farewell to camp and transfer to the airport for your flight back to Victoria Falls Airport. From here, fly to the beautiful city of Cape Town, South Africa. On arrival you transfer to your hotel, The Victoria and Alfred Hotel, for a two-night stay.

The Victoria and Alfred Hotel offers charming colonial ambience in a central, prestigious location on the pier-head of the world's most famous working harbour - the famed V&A Waterfront. This exceptionally elegant hotel occupies a converted historic warehouse and boasts 94 exquisitely designed contemporary rooms. If you are seeking luxurious accommodation, world-class hospitality and spectacular views of Table Mountain, look no further than this remarkable, historically rich, landmark hotel.

Resting at the confluence of the Indian and Atlantic Ocean, 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 8: Peninsula and Table Mountain Tour

We make our way along the Atlantic seaboard passing Sea Point, Bantry Bay and Clifton. Bakoven and Llandudno, with their ghostly shipwrecks, are also fantastic sights on the way to the fishing village of Hout Bay, where we board a boat to view the Cape fur seal colony on Duiker Island (weather dependent). From here we navigate the



114 curves of 600m high Chapmans Peak Drive. We enter the Cape of Good Hope section of the Table Mountain National Park with its unique Cape fynbos vegetation and home to birds like African black oystercatchers and Cape sugarbirds as well as to very special fauna including Cape mountain zebra, bontebok (both endemic) and the charismatic Cape baboon. Climb (or ride the worlds first environmentally friendly funicular) to the famous Cape Point Lighthouse to capture the magical vistas of False Bay. After lunch, we visit Boulders Beach to see the penguins, and then head home through the naval village of Simonstown and over scenic Boyes Drive, taking in the views of the fishing harbour at Kalk Bay and the seaside havens of St. James and Muizenberg. To round off your day you can take a stroll through Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens on the slopes of Table Mountain.

Day 9: Depart Cape Town

Make your way from the hotel to the airport and catch your flight home or onward to your next destination. Not ready to leave? Extend your stay in Cape Town and add on some optional tours such as the Peninsula and Table Mountain tour or the Winelands tour.

Details

Group Size: Minimum 10

Trip Code:

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INCLUDED

- Transfers between Johannesburg Airport and downtown, round trip
- One night of accommodation in Johannesburg, The Peech Hotel, or similar
- Transfer between Victoria Falls Airport and The Safari Club hotel, or similar
- Two nights of accommodation in Victoria Falls at the Victoria Falls Safari Club, or similar including private check-in at the Club Lounge; complimentary mini-bar with beer, wine, soft drinks and bottled water; Nespresso machine; complimentary Wi-Fi; complimentary laundry; access to educational presentations which occur twice a week (dependant on seasonal schedule); complimentary head, shoulder or foot massage (subject to availability of massage therapists); complimentary afternoon tea and pastries; complimentary sundowner cocktails and canapes; shuttle from hotel to the falls or town centre
- Ra-Ikane Sunset Cruise
- Private tour of Victoria Falls, Zimbabwean side
- Livingstone Island Lunch
- Flight of the Angels Helicopter Tour
- Breakfast daily at hotels
- VAT and tourism levies, where applicable
- Transfer from Victoria Falls Safari Club to the Victoria Falls Airport
- Circuit flight from Victoria Falls to Hwange NP and return
- Transfer by road between Hwange NP Airport and camp, return
- Three nights of tented accommodation at Linkwasha Camp
- All meals, drinks (excluding premium, imported brands and champagne) and laundry service
- Game viewing at camp twice daily, including Park Fees
- Services of lodge guides and staff
- Two nights of accommodation in Cape Town at The Victoria and Alfred Hotel, or similar
- Peninsula and Table Mountain tour

NOT INCLUDED

- International flights to Johannesburg, from Cape Town
- Airfare one-way from Johannesburg to Victoria Falls
- Airfare one-way from Victoria Falls to Cape Town
- Taxes on airfare from Victoria Falls to Hwange National Park and return
- Meals not specified
- Drinks, park and entrance fees, portorage, extra tours/excursions and transfers not specified
- Gratuities
- Travel insurance
- Passport and visa fees, as required
- Items of a personal nature
- Any new government taxes, levies, fuel surcharges or industry increase beyond our control

TOUR NOTES

Optional add-on tours:



Cape Town – Winelands

Depart the city for the Winelands in the nearby Boland Mountains for a leisurely exploration of historic towns, liquid delights, gastronomic wonders and home-grown hospitality. Wine estates visited will vary according to client preferences, but the tour generally includes the region’s major wine producing areas of Stellenbosch, Paarl and Franschhoek, and there are chances aplenty en route for tastings of world-renowned reds and whites, as well as Cap Classiques South Africa’s answer to Champagne. Lunch at one of the many classic, award-winning restaurants in the area. Natural and historic heritage abounds in this area and your tour may take in sights like the Afrikaans Language Monument with its panoramic Boland views. Idyllic Franschhoek, nestled in a valley settled by French Huguenots in 1688, is a delight for both antique lovers and gastronomes alike. Stellenbosch, South Africa’s second-oldest town, provides another glimpse of classic 17th century Cape style, with a chance to browse quaint Dorp Street and the many museums, galleries and shops of this lovely university town.

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