



Classic Zimbabwe Explorer Safari Victoria Falls to Harare



Departures from November 2016 – 31 October 2017

| Departure Dates 2016-2017 | | | | | | | | | | |  | |
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| Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | |
| Selected dates available on request | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Visit the best of Zimbabwe, from Victoria Falls to four National Parks. Find wisdom in ancient traditions, enjoy bush walks and game drives whilst being indulged in the romance of Africa's wild ways and wide open spaces.

This program is possible in combination with a Botswana itinerary

- Departure time:** Selected Sundays at Victoria Falls International Airport
- Guiding:** English speaking (other languages on request)
- Participants:** 4 – 6 per vehicle
- Accommodation:** Luxury mobile tented camps, lodges, guest house
- Vehicles:** Safari and transfer vehicles



- Meals:** 13 x breakfast, 10 lunches and 11 dinners
- Beverages:** Local brand whilst camping
- Transfers:** All road and air transfers as specified
- Entrance fees:** Camping fees, sundowner cruise, tour of the Falls, Cecil John Rhodes' Grave Site, Matopos bushmen paintings, Great Zimbabwe Ruins, Hwange National Park, Matobo National Park, Mana Pools National Park, Matusadona National Park
- Optional excursions:** Extra night(s) in Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe or Zambia), Art gallery and National Museum in Harare
- Excluding:** Travel insurance, airport transfers in Victoria Falls or Livingstone, portorage, tips and visa costs





TRAVEL ITINERARY

DAY 1: SUNDAY - ARRIVAL VICTORIA FALLS AIRPORT – VICTORIA FALLS

On arrival at the airport, you will be collected for your transfer to the hotel. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure before the sundowner cruise on the Zambezi River. After taking in the stunning views of the river, return to the hotel for dinner.

Ihala Lodge – dinner, bed and breakfast including listed activities

DAY 2, 3 & 4: VICTORIA FALLS TOWN - HWANGE NATIONAL PARK VIA VICTORIA FALLS (+/- 210 km)

After breakfast, your guide will collect you for a guided tour of the world famous Victoria Falls. Depart on a 3 hour journey by road through rural Zimbabwe, passing Ndebele villages to your luxury mobile tented camp in Hwange National Park.

Accommodation is in fully furnished East African safari tents with en-suite bathrooms (flushing toilets and hot water bucket showers are provided).

DAY 3: HWANGE NATIONAL PARK

Hwange is a 'Big Five' wildlife sanctuary and famous for large concentrations of elephants and diverse wild life and bird species. Mobile tented safaris will definitely get you up close and personal with the wilds of Africa, yet without compromise to your comfort and safety.

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DAY 4: HWANGE NATIONAL PARK

Guests have full flexibility to do as much or as little game driving, walking, and relaxing in camp. The camp facilities are exclusive to the guests and, along with a private game drive vehicle, guests can benefit from the focused attention of a private guide and dedicated camp staff that will be hosting you on your safari.

On safari you can look forward to bush walks and animal tracking, game drives, sundowners at waterholes, traditional dancing, visiting the Wild Dog center or Mtoa Ruins and special activities to teach you about Africa and its culture.

Luxury Mobile Tented Camp in Hwange – dinner, lunch, bed and breakfast including listed activities

DAY 5: HWANGE NATIONAL PARK – MATOPOS NATIONAL PARK (+/- 370 km)

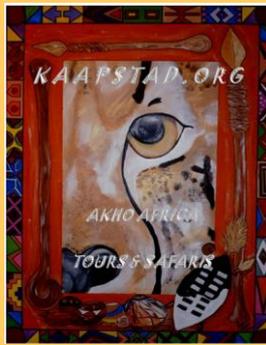
It's your last 'wake up' in the wilds of Hwange and after a hearty breakfast you will drive through Hwange and rural Zimbabwe on a three and a half hour drive to Matopos National Park.

A scenic paradise, Matopos is famous for its dramatic rock formations and granite Whalebacks. A place of fascinating historical significance its turbulent past belies the present serenity. On arrival your guide will escort you to the camp situated close to the Maleme Dam inside the National Park.

Tented Camp in Matopos including breakfast, lunch, dinner and safari activities.

DAY 6: MATOPOS NATIONAL PARK

You will enjoy your time exploring on foot and game drives, white rhino tracking, visiting the famous rock formations of Matopo Hills – a World Heritage Site, climbing to World's View to the gravesite of Cecil John Rhodes and learning about Khoisan rock art and the history of Zimbabwe.



Time permitting, you can also choose to see a local cultural village and participate in White Rhino Tracking.

Luxury Mobile Tented Camp in Matopos – dinner, lunch, bed and breakfast including listed activities

DAY 7: MATOPOS NATIONAL PARK – MASVINGO VIA BULAWAYO (+/- 350 km)

After an early morning activity and breakfast at your Matopos camp we drive through Bulawayo town, en route to Masvingo to see the Ancient City - Great Zimbabwe.

Check in at your hotel, a quaint owner run property in the foothills of Great Zimbabwe with magnificent views of Lake Mutirikwi. After lunch you visit the Great Zimbabwe Monument to explore the secrets of the ancient ruins.

The Great Zimbabwe Ruins is a World Heritage Site and one of the most important archaeological sites in Africa, giving testimony to the lost civilization of the Shona tribe. A great city existed here from the 11th century on, with over 10,000 inhabitants and was abandoned in the 15th century (for Khami) because of a lack of food and firewood.

Return to your hotel in the late afternoon and enjoy dinner (own account).

Norma Jeans Lakeview Resort – bed and breakfast including listed activities

DAY 8: MASVINGO - HARARE (+/- 325 km)

After breakfast depart for Harare, the capital city of Zimbabwe. Time permitting we can arrange a tour of the art gallery or national archives on the day of arrival (own account). Lunch and dinner are served at the lodge (own account).

Armadale Lodge or similar – bed and breakfast activities

DAY 9: HARARE – MANA POOLS NATIONAL PARK (+/- 375 km)

After an early breakfast you will drive through western Zimbabwe to your luxury mobile camp in the magnificent wilderness area in Mana Pools National Park where you will have two and a half days to explore this unique area on foot and in the specially adapted game drive vehicles.

Mana Pools National Park is synonymous with the Zambezi River, elephants, lions, remoteness and wilderness.

Luxury Mobile Tented Camp in Mana Pools – dinner, lunch, bed and breakfast including listed activities

DAY 10: MANA POOLS NATIONAL PARK

This unique park is a World Heritage Site, based on its wildness and beauty, together with the wide range of large mammals, over 350 bird species and aquatic wildlife.

The name “Mana” means “four” in the local Shona language – referring to the four large pools inland from the Zambezi River.

Luxury Mobile Tented Camp in Mana Pools – dinner, lunch, bed and breakfast including listed activities

DAY 11: MANA POOLS NATIONAL PARK

These pools are the remnant ox-bow lakes that the Zambezi River carved out thousands of years ago as it changed its course northwards. Hippopotamus, crocodiles and a wide variety of aquatic birds are associated with the pools along with large herds of elephant.



Luxury Mobile Tented Camp in Mana Pools – dinner, lunch, bed and breakfast including listed activities

DAY 12: MANA POOLS NATIONAL PARK – MATUSADONA NATIONAL PARK (Charter flight +/- 45 minutes)

After breakfast your guide will take you on your final game drive on your way out of Mana Pools National Park to the airstrip. You will be transferred by light aircraft to Rokari Airstrip at Matusadonna National Park. At Rokari Airstrip you will be met by your guide from Rhino Island Safari Camp. Proceed by boat across the estuary to Rhino Island Safari Camp where you will spend the last two nights of your safari.

Rhino Island Safari Camp - dinner, lunch, bed and breakfast including listed activities

DAY 13: MATUSADONA NATIONAL PARK

Rhino Island, a rustic but comfortable safari camp with thatched chalets built on stilts, situated on the shoreline of Lake Kariba and on the edge of Matusadona National Park. Guests can look forward to rhino tracking, game drives and bush walks. Boating and fishing can be arranged on request.

Rhino Island Safari Camp - dinner, lunch, bed and breakfast including listed activities

DAY 14: MATUSADONA NATIONAL PARK – HARARE AIRPORT (Charter flight +/- 1 hour 45 minutes)

After breakfast your guide will escort you across the estuary to Rokari Airstrip. You will be transferred by light aircraft to Harare International Airport in time to check in for your onward arrangements.

END OF THE JOURNEY

The tour price is quoted in ZAR and/or USD and is based on the cost (including hotel accommodation and other services as detailed above, to be provided by Kaapstad.org) at rates of exchange prevailing as at the date of the quotation.

Should there be any increase, between the acceptance date and the departure date, in the cost to Kaapstad.org for providing the Services as a result of increases in costs or any other reason over which Kaapstad.org has no control, Kaapstad.org will be entitled to increase the tour price proportionately. The client shall be obliged to pay the amount of the increase to Kaapstad.org prior to the departure date, failing which Kaapstad.org shall be entitled to cancel the contract, and retain deposits paid.

Upon acceptance of our quotation, reservations will be made. A deposit of 20% of the amount quoted will be required immediately upon confirmation. The balance of payment, as per the amount stated on the confirmation advice once reservations are made, is due no later than 4 weeks prior to your clients' arrival.

PAYMENT CONDITIONS

Kaapstad.org/Akho Africa Tours & Safaris accepts no responsibility for the progress of the confirmed services in the case of non-compliance to the following conditions of payment.

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| 20% | 15 Days from Booking |
| 100% | 30 Days before 1st Service |

GENERAL CONDITIONS / GENERAL SALES CONDITIONS SOUTH AFRICA

- Quotation established subject to availability of hotels (and flights when applicable) after your confirmation.
- Standard practice: Check In from 14:00; Check Out before 11:00
- Private Game Reserves: Check In before lunch; Check Out after breakfast. IMPORTANT: Fully Inclusive packages include 3 meals per day. Our programs systematically indicate the meal basis. In practice, Lunch may be replaced by a High Tea and Breakfast by Brunch, depending on the Private Game Reserve and the season, according to what meal best complements the timing of the morning and afternoon game drives.

PLEASE NOTE:

That with immediate effect, anyone travelling to South Africa must have two consecutive blank pages in their passport, which lie side by side when the passport is open (i.e. left and a right hand page). Passports must also be valid for at least six months. Passengers travelling to South Africa with passports, which do not comply with these requirements, will either be stopped from boarding the aircraft or risk deportation on arrival in South Africa. In addition, a parent travelling with children, WITHOUT the other parent, will need a letter of consent from the absent parent. The police must certify the letter of consent.

PAYMENT CONDITIONS



There is no cancellation fee 30 days prior to arrival (except the relevant banking fees for full refund) for Walkersons
There is no cancellation fee 45 days prior to arrival for Ulusaba.

OUR RATES

- Taxes are included (currently at 14%)
- Our rates do not include personal extras and expenses, gratuities, or insurance for repatriation assistance, luggage or cancellation.
- Ground transport according to program
- Services according to the program
- Guide English or German speaking
- Excluding flights, visas, travel insurance, hotel portorage, gratuities, drinks and meals not mentioned
- All overland tours are subject to a minimum of 2 passengers on all departures. If booked more than 30 days prior to the tour departure, the tour will be guaranteed irrespective of the amount of people with a minimum of 2.

CANCELLATION POLICY

- 46 days or more prior to travel date 10%
- 45 - 36 days prior to travel date 15%
- 35-16 days prior to travel date 25%
- 15 days prior to travel date: 100%
- 100% cancellation fee applies for no-shows

Cost is based on a minimum of **2** paying guests travelling. A reduction in guests would result in a re-cost of the itinerary.