

# 16DAYS: SOUTHERN AFRICA GRAND EXPLORER

16 Days | 15 Nights

Set off on an exhilarating 16-day journey through Botswana, Zimbabwe, Namibia, and South Africa. Start with a stunning Zambezi sunset cruise followed by an inspiring guided tour of Victoria Falls. Experience thrilling wildlife safaris in Chobe National Park and Etosha, then enjoy a serene sunset cruise along the pristine Okavango River. Discover the raw splendor of the Namib Desert with exciting desert adventures in Swakopmund and Walvis Bay. Visit iconic natural landmarks such as the towering dunes of Sossusvlei, the haunting clay pans of Deadvlei, and the rugged formations of Sesriem Canyon. Encounter the famed Garub Wild Horses and explore the eerie ghost town of Kolmanskop before venturing into the vast Fish River Canyon. Cross into South Africa's Northern Cape to take in striking landscapes and rich cultural heritage. End your journey in Pretoria, having experienced a wild and unforgettable adventure!

Group Size: 01 – 06 Guests



Francistown – Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe) – Kasane – Divundu – Etosha East – Etosha South – Etosha National Park – Swakopmund – Sesriem – Luderitz – Fish River Canyon – Northern Cape

## Price Quoted in USD (Per Person sharing)

People	Price
2 pax	9,800 pp

### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Zambezi River Sunset Cruise
- Guided tour of Victoria Falls
- Explore Chobe National Park
- Okavango Delta sunset cruise
- Safari in Eastern Etosha National Park
- Swakopmund Adventure activities
- Excursion to Sandwich Harbor
- Sossusvlei tour and Tropic of Capricorn
- Tour of Kolmanskop Ghost Town
- Fish River Canyon and Northern Cape

### INCLUSIONS

- Pickup at Pretoria
- Quantum Vehicle and Fueling
- Guide Services
- Park Fees, Accommodations
- Meals, and Activities as stated included in your offer and Passenger Liability Insurance as per itinerary.


Excluded: All optional activities and services not mentioned above.



# YOUR Itinerary

## DAY 1 – Arrival at Francistown and transfer to the Hotel

At a time to be advised




Your guide will meet you at Pretoria Station. Following a brief orientation, you will be transferred to your reserved hotel for check-in. No additional activities are scheduled for the remainder of the day.

Overnight: Cresta Thapama Hotel – or similar

Meal Plan: Bed and Breakfast

## DAY 2 –ransfer to Victoria Falls for Zambezi Sunset Cruise



After breakfast, check out and depart for your accommodation in Victoria Falls. Upon arrival, you will check in by 15:00 hrs. Later in the afternoon, enjoy a scheduled activity.

Planned Activity: Zambezi Sunset Cruise – Enjoy a serene sunset cruise along the Zambezi River above Victoria Falls, complete with refreshments and scenic views. Spot wildlife such as hippos, crocodiles, and birds while taking in the golden hues of the African sunset—a perfect and peaceful start to your Victoria Falls experience.

Return to your lodge in the late evening for dinner and an overnight stay.

Overnight: Shearwater Explorers Village – or similar

Meal Plan: Half Board

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## DAY 3 – Guided Tour of Victoria Falls with Optional Activities

After breakfast, you will be collected for your guided tour of the falls. Optional activities such as a helicopter flight, bungee jumping, and zip-lining are available at an additional cost.

**Planned Activities:** Guided Tour of Victoria Falls – Explore Victoria Falls, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, on a guided tour offering insight into its history, geology, and cultural significance. Witness the powerful cascades of the Zambezi River, seasonal rainbows, and the lush rainforest ecosystem nourished by the falls' mist.

**Pickup time: 17:30Hrs.** Boma Cultural Dinner – Enjoy an authentic Zimbabwean dining experience at the Boma – Dinner and Drum Show. Savor a diverse buffet of local and international cuisine while enjoying traditional music, dance, and interactive drumming performances in a lively cultural setting.

Return to the lodge by 22:00Hrs for an overnight stay.

**Overnight:** Shearwater Explorers Village – or similar

**Meal Plan:** Half Board

## DAY 4 – Journey to Kasane (Chobe National Park) | Afternoon Safari

Breakfast at the lodge and check-out. Today, your journey continues to Kasane Chobe National Park. In the afternoon, enjoy a guided game drive in Chobe National Park, renowned for its large elephant population and diverse wildlife. An optional sunset boat cruise on the Chobe River is available at an additional cost and can be arranged upon request. Enjoy dinner and an overnight stay at your lodge.

**Overnight:** Kwalape Safari Lodge – or similar

**Meal Plan:** Half Board

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## DAY 5 – Transfer to Divundu – Okavango Delta with a Sunset Cruise

After an early breakfast, depart for Divundu, on the eastern edge of the Okavango Delta region. Upon arrival, you will have time to settle before embarking on a scenic sunset cruise along the waterways of the delta. Experience the stunning beauty of the landscape as the sun sets, while observing the area's abundant wildlife and birdlife.

Planned Activity: Okavango River Sunset Cruise – Enjoy a relaxing evening cruise along the Okavango River, with opportunities to spot wildlife and birds as the sun sets and fades beyond the horizon. Return to your lodge later for dinner and an overnight stay.

Overnight: Shometu River Lodge – or similar

Meal Plan: Half Board

## DAY 6 Leisurely transfer to Etosha East (Etosha National Park)

After a relaxed breakfast and a leisurely start to your day, you will depart with your guide for the scenic drive to Emanyala Lodge, located near the eastern boundary of Etosha N. Park.

The rest of the evening is at your leisure—unwind by the pool, take a walk around the grounds, or simply relax with a drink. Dinner will be served at the lodge's restaurant, offering a blend of local and international cuisine.

Overnight: Emanyala @Etosha Game Lodge – or similar

Meal Plan: Half Board



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## DAY 7 – Eastern Etosha Exploration and Overnight in the South

After an early breakfast at your lodge, embark on a full-day game drive through the eastern section of Etosha National Park. This region of the park is celebrated for its sweeping grasslands, scattered acacia trees, and a network of waterholes that draw a remarkable array of wildlife. With your experienced guide, you'll explore this diverse landscape in search of elephants, lions, zebras, giraffes, Oryx, and the elusive black rhino. Bird enthusiasts will also enjoy sightings of raptors, flamingos (seasonal) and more. A picnic lunch will be served at one of the designated picnic sites within the park.

In the afternoon, continue westward through Andersson Gate to the southern region of Etosha, then proceed to your lodge for check-in. The rest of the evening is at your leisure for relaxation or personal activities.

**Overnight:** Toshari Lodge – or similar  
**Meal Plan:** Half Board

## DAY 8 – Journey to Swakopmund with Adventure Activities

After breakfast, depart for Swakopmund, enjoying scenic views along the way. Upon arrival, check in to your accommodation and take some time to freshen up.

In the afternoon, embark on scheduled adventure activities including quad biking across the rugged dunes and a camel ride in the Namibian desert—both offering unique ways to experience the stunning Namibian desert.

For dinner, we recommend dining at Tug Restaurant, renowned for its excellent seafood and waterfront ambiance (own account).

**Overnight:** Royal Sea Star Guesthouse – or similar  
**Meal Plan:** Bed and Breakfast

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## DAY 9- Explore the Highlights of Swakopmund!

Breakfast, and begin the day with an exhilarating early morning drive to Walvis Bay, where you will embark on the Marine Dune Combo adventure, followed by an excursion to Sandwich Harbor. Culinary experiences include refreshments such as champagne, cold local beers, soft drinks, fresh oysters, and finger foods to enhance your experience. Dinner is recommended at Ocean Cellar Restaurant (own account).

**Overnight:** Royal Sea Star Guesthouse – or similar  
**Meal Plan:** Bed and Breakfast

## DAY 10- Transfer to Sossusvlei via Tropic of Capricorn

Breakfast, and depart early for Sossusvlei, enjoying the scenic drive through the Namib Desert. En route, make a stop at Solitaire, a charming outpost renowned for serving some of Africa's finest apple pies—an ideal opportunity to refresh and indulge.

Continue your journey via the dramatic Kuiseb Pass, where you can pause to capture photographs at the Tropic of Capricorn sign, a unique geographical landmark. Arrive at your lodge, where you will check in to spend the rest of the evening at leisure to relax and soak in the tranquil desert atmosphere.

**Overnight:** Sossusvlei Lodge – or similar  
**Meal Plan:** Bed and Breakfast

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## DAY 11- Full day Exploration of Sossusvlei

Breakfast at your lodge. This morning begins with an early start at approx. 07:00AM to maximize your time in Sossusvlei. You will visit iconic landmarks including Dune 45, renowned for its striking red sands and climbing opportunities, Deadvlei, famous for its surreal white clay pan and ancient dead camelthorn trees, and Sesriem Canyon, a natural geological formation offering a fascinating glimpse into the area's erosional history.

After a full day of exploration and photography, return to your lodge where you may spend the evening at your leisure, enjoying the tranquil desert surroundings.

**Overnight: Sossusvlei Lodge – or similar**  
**Meal Plan: Half Board**

## DAY 12- Transfer to Luderitz via Garub Wild Horses

Breakfast at your lodge. Then depart early for Luderitz, with a stop en route to visit the famous Garub Wild Horses alongside your guide – these rare, semi-wild horses roam freely in the Namib Desert and provide a unique and memorable wildlife experience.

Upon arrival in Luderitz, enjoy lunch at your hotel before embarking on an afternoon guided exploration of the town's rich history and scenic surroundings. Visit Diaz Point, named after the Portuguese explorer Bartolomeu Dias, where you can take in stunning coastal views and learn about the area's maritime heritage.

Return to your hotel for an evening at leisure, to relax and reflect on the day's adventures.

**Overnight: Alte Villa Boutique Hotel – or similar**  
**Meal Plan: Bed and Breakfast**



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## DAY 13- Explore Kolmanskop en-route to Fish River Canyon

After breakfast, begin your morning with a guided visit to Kolmanskop, a fascinating ghost town once thriving during Namibia's diamond boom. Explore the abandoned buildings now partially reclaimed by desert sands, and learn about the town's history, architecture, and the rise and fall of its diamond mining legacy.

Following the tour, continue to your lodge located near the Fish River Canyon – Upon arrival, check in and unwind with a refreshing dip in the lodge's pool at your leisure.

**Overnight: Canyon Roadhouse Gondwana Collection – or similar**  
**Meal Plan: Half Board**

## DAY 14- Full-day Exploration of the Fish River Canyon

Today is fully dedicated to exploring the awe-inspiring Fish River Canyon; the second-largest canyon in the world, accompanied by your knowledgeable guide.

Following an early breakfast, depart for the canyon's main viewpoints where you will witness dramatic panoramic vistas of the immense chasm—up to 160 km long, 27 km wide, and nearly 550 meters deep in some places. Your guide will lead you through several key lookout points, sharing insights into the geological history, unique rock formations, and the desert-adapted flora and fauna that inhabit this rugged environment. If conditions allow, enjoy short guided walks along the canyon rim for even more breathtaking perspectives.

After your excursion, return to the lodge in the late afternoon—The remainder of the evening is yours to unwind at leisure.

**Overnight: Canyon Roadhouse Gondwana Collection – or similar**  
**Meal Plan: Half Board**

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## DAY 15– Crossing into South Africa: Journey to the Northern Cape!

After breakfast, begin your scenic journey to the Northern Cape Province with your guide. The drive offers ever-changing scenery as you cross the border from Namibia into South Africa, transitioning from arid desert landscapes to the vast open plains and rugged beauty of the Northern Cape. Along the way, your guide will highlight key points of interest and share insights into the region's rich cultural and natural heritage: You should look forward to exploring the red dunes of the Kgalagadi Transfrontier Park, visiting the impressive Big Hole in Kimberley, and going on adventures along the Orange River.

Upon arrival, check in to your lodge and take time to settle in. The remainder of the evening is at your leisure—perfect for relaxing after the day's adventurous journey.

**Overnight:** Kuruman Inn – or similar

**Meal Plan:** Bed and Breakfast

## DAY 16– End of Journey – Transfer to Pretoria

Breakfast is served at your accommodation before check-out. After breakfast, begin your return journey to Pretoria, enjoying the final scenic views along the way as you reflect on the experiences of your trip. Upon arrival in Pretoria, you will bid a fond farewell to your guide, who has accompanied you throughout your adventure.

Further travel plans from Pretoria will be at client's own discretion and expense – We hope your journey through Southern Africa has been memorable and rewarding, with remarkable scenery, wildlife, and cultural experiences.

**Meal Plan:** Breakfast only

## End of Safari