# Zimbabwe to Zanzibar 16 days

Starting off at the magnificent Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe, travel through Botswana's legendary Chobe National Park, Livingstone in Zambia and explore the beaches of Lake Malawi, before sun, sea and more sand on the tropical island of Zanzibar!

## TOUR DETAILS:

- Starts in: Victoria Falls / Ends in: Dar es Salaam
- Departs: Saturdays - year round
- Local Payment: $460 USD
- Breakfast:11, Lunch: 9, Dinner: 10
- Hotel Rating: Camping expedition
- Tour Guide: Yes

## ONLINE RESOURCES:

- For a detailed GO GUIDE - click here
- To book this trip - click here
- To enquire about this trip - click here

## TOUR MAP:

## QUICK WEB LINKS

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## Days 1 - 2: Victoria Falls

Saturday. Welcome to Zimbabwe. Upon arrival at Victoria Falls Airport you will be met and transferred to Victoria Falls Rest Camp. There will be a meeting at 17.00hrs today. Day 2 is a free day to explore the town, visit the mighty Victoria Falls or participate in a myriad of optional excursions. At 1700m wide and around 100m high, Victoria Falls is one of the most memorable sights on this African safari. Overnight - Victoria Falls

## Day 3: Chobe N. P.

Victoria Falls - Chobe NP (Botswana). Today we cross the border into Botswana and the town of Kasane on the banks of the Chobe River. After lunch we head into Chobe National Park, where we spend the afternoon in search of wildlife en route to our camp, where we spend the night. Overnight - Chobe N. P.

## Day 4: Livingstone

Chobe NP - Livingstone. After our night in the bush, we head out early to continue our search for wildlife, before packing up the camp and heading back to Kasane. From here we continue our journey to Livingstone in Zambia, where we'll have the opportunity to view Victoria Falls from Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park or enjoy a sunset boat cruise on the Zambezi River. Overnight - Livingstone

## Days 5 - 6:

Livingstone - South Luangwa. An early morning start sees us head north through southern Zambia. As we drive, we pass through a few of the villages and towns of Zambia along the way. Prosperous during the copper boom in the 60's, Zambia was able to build infrastructure at the main mining and farming communities. After the fall of the copper industry, the country was left virtually bankrupt and existing infrastructure was left to fall to ruin. Due to foreign investment and a rise in the mining industry, Zambia is today once again starting to prosper. The difference is evident in the cities with the availability of foreign stores, banks and imported cars, while the villages and smaller towns are still to catch up. Our campsite is home to some local wildlife including the largest antelope – Eland

This breath taking park is situated on the Luangwa River in the Eastern part of Zambia, and it is the southernmost of three national parks in this region. South Luangwa was founded in 1938 as a game reserve, 1972 was the year it was declared as a national park, and today it covers over 9000 kilometres squared. Animals such as Giraffe, buffalo and Elephants can be found in abundance. The Luangwa river is home to many a hippo and croc. Overnight - Luangwa

## Days 7 - 10:

Luangwa - Chipata - Lake Malawi. From Luangwa we head north east on the old 'East Road' to a beautiful little campsite located just 10 km before the Zambia/Malawi border. In the days of old, the route from Cairo to Cape Town passed through Lusaka and it's along this route to Malawi we travel today. While today is mostly spent driving, we do cross the impressive Luangwa River Bridge which is heavily guarded due to its close proximity to the Zimbabwean & Malawian borders. We'll also stop off to purchase some fresh produce and coal from the local sellers along the way.

Leaving Zambia we cross into Malawi, the 'Warm Heart of Africa'. We stop off in the capital, Lilongwe, a small city distinctively divided into the old town and the new administrative centre. Malawi is a landlocked country with 20% of its total area made up of beautiful Lake Malawi. We camp first at the central Lake, and then in the northern area over the next 3 days.

Spend the days learning the game of bao from the locals, scour the markets for a bargain or simply relax on the pristine beaches. Malawi's temperate climate allows for swimming in the clear blue fresh-water lake all year round. Explore the beautiful shore where you'll happen upon the local fishermen sorting their catch. Traditional fishing techniques are still practiced and to appreciate their boating skills, try to paddle a dugout canoe yourself! At night you'll see the 'fairy' lights of the fishermen out on the lake. The various beachside campsites along Lake Malawi's shores offer many optional Excursions including a variety of water sports, horseback rides and a visit to the local village and school (see pricing guide at the end of this document). Overnight - Chipata (1) Lake Malawi (3)

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Day 11:

Lake Malawi - Iringa (Tanzania). After a relaxing 4 days, we leave Malawi, entering Tanzania through the border post at Songwe. Winding our way through the beauty of the Tukuyu tea and banana plantations, we head towards Iringa where we spend the night in the beautiful rustic 'Farmhouse' campsite famous for its Amarula Hot Chocolates and its steamy showers! Overnight - Iringa

Day 12: Dar es Salaam

Iringa - Dar es Salaam. This morning we make our way to Dar es Salaam. We pass through the Mikumi National Park where it is possible to view a range of wildlife from the roadside, totally impervious to the passing traffic. On arrival in Dar es Salaam, we make our way to our lovely seaside campsite and prepare for our departure to Zanzibar the next morning. Overnight - Dar es Salaam

Days 13 - 15: Zanzibar

Dar es Salaam - Zanzibar (optional). A ferry from Dar es Salaam takes us to the "Spice Island," where we have the option to spend the next 3 nights. Zanzibar is steeped in history and offers a wealth of experiences for the visitor. You can explore historic Stone Town or opt to visit the islands famous spice plantations. Other options include a trip to the beautiful beaches and giant tortoises of Prison Island, a full day scuba dive in Nungwe or a fishing trip in a traditional dhow.

PLEASE NOTE: Accommodation and meals are not included whilst on Zanzibar, as many passengers prefer to explore the island on their own, and in accordance with their own budget. Your tour leader can arrange your accommodation for you upon request.

For those not opting to visit the island of Zanzibar, the next 3 days are spent at leisure at the beach campsite in Dar es Salaam. There are various optional excursions available from the camp including diving, snorkelling and fishing trips. Overnight - Dar es Salaam (3) OR optional Zanzibar (3)

Day 16: Dar es Salaam

Sunday. Zanzibar - Dar es Salaam. Leaving Zanzibar in the afternoon, return to the mainland where our adventure ends.

## WHAT YOU SEE AND WHAT YOU GET:

Below is a list of key highlights and what is included on this tour. Further, where appropriate, we have listed the items that are not included in the tour price.

### Trip Highlights

- **Zimbabwe:**UNESCO Listed Victoria Falls, one of the natural wonders of the world.
- **Botswana:**Chobe National Park, famous for its herds of elephants. Boat cruise along the Chobe River. Okavango Delta (optional excursion).
- **Zambia:** Livingstone & Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park, South Luangwa National Park Zambia's gateway to Victoria Falls (optional).
- **Malawi:** Lake Malawi, one of the African Great Lakes, with beautiful beaches, bays and inlets.
- **Zanzibar:**(optional) Pristine beaches & historic Stone Town (UNESCO-listed).
- **Tanzania:** Dar es Salaam, Tanzania's largest city. Mikumi National Park (transit only).

### What's Included

- Arrival transfer from Victoria Falls Airport on day 1
- 1st night dormitory accommodation at Victoria Falls Rest Camp (upgrade available), 11 nights camping.
- Transport in fully equipped expedition truck
- Services of 3 person crew (leader, driver, cook)
- All camping fees & appropriate equipment
- 11 breakfasts, 9 lunches, 10 dinners
- Park entry & game drive in Chobe National Park and South Luangwa National Park
- Return ferry to Zanzibar
- All road taxes & tolls

### What's Not Included

- International flights and visas
- Accommodation in Zanzibar
- Sleeping bag - please bring your own
- Tipping - an entirely personal gesture
- Optional activities

## PRICES AND DATES: from USD $1,290

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Prices shown above are per person travelling. Single travellers will be paired up in tents with another person of the same sex.

## 2014

| Date | Price/Person | Single Supp. |
|---|---|---|
| 06 DEC - 21 DEC | USD $1,290 | - |
| 20 DEC - 04 JAN | USD $1,290 | - |

## 2015

| Date | Price/Person | Single Supp. |
|---|---|---|
| 03 JAN - 18 JAN | USD $1,290 | - |
| 17 JAN - 01 FEB | USD $1,290 | - |
| 31 JAN - 15 FEB | USD $1,290 | - |
| 14 FEB - 01 MAR | USD $1,290 | - |
| 28 FEB - 15 MAR | USD $1,290 | - |
| 14 MAR - 29 MAR | USD $1,290 | - |
| 28 MAR - 12 APR | USD $1,290 | - |
| 11 APR - 26 APR | USD $1,290 | - |
| 25 APR - 10 MAY | USD $1,290 | - |
| 09 MAY - 24 MAY | USD $1,290 | - |
| 23 MAY - 07 JUN | USD $1,290 | - |
| 06 JUN - 21 JUN | USD $1,290 | - |
| 20 JUN - 05 JUL | USD $1,290 | - |
| 04 JUL - 19 JUL | USD $1,290 | - |
| 18 JUL - 02 AUG | USD $1,290 | - |
| 01 AUG - 16 AUG | USD $1,290 | - |
| 15 AUG - 30 AUG | USD $1,290 | - |
| 29 AUG - 13 SEP | USD $1,290 | - |
| 12 SEP - 27 SEP | USD $1,290 | - |
| 26 SEP - 11 OCT | USD $1,290 | - |
| 10 OCT - 25 OCT | USD $1,290 | - |
| 24 OCT - 08 NOV | USD $1,290 | - |
| 07 NOV - 22 NOV | USD $1,290 | - |
| 21 NOV - 06 DEC | USD $1,290 | - |
| 05 DEC - 20 DEC | USD $1,290 | - |
| 19 DEC - 03 JAN | USD $1,290 | - |