Wildlife Beach & Falls 15 days

Starting in Johannesburg, go on the hunt for the Big Five in Kruger and Hwange National Park, relax on the stunning beaches of Mozambique, get up close and personal with the animal residents of Gweru's Antelope Park and finish your adventure at the magnificent Victoria Falls.

TOUR DETAILS:

- Starts in: Johannesburg / Ends in: Victoria Falls
- Departs: Saturdays - March to November
- Local Payment: USD $410
- Breakfast:13, Lunch: 13, Dinner: 12
- 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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Day 1: Johannesburg

Saturday. Welcome to South Africa! Included transfer from Johannesburg Airport, to our accommodation. Tonight there will be a welcome meeting at 17.00pm where you will meet your guide and the rest of your group. Overnight - Johannesburg

Days 2 - 3: Kruger N.P.

Johannesburg - Kruger National Park. Leaving Johannesburg we head the famous Kruger National Park, passing through the southern section of the picturesque Panorama Route en route – famous for its breathtaking vistas. We enter the National Park in the late afternoon and game drive en-route to our campsite within the park. Tonight we spend a relaxing evening around the camp fire before our early morning game drive tomorrow. On day 3 we explore South Africa's flagship wildlife park, as drive through Kruger in search of the Big Five. We camp for the night south of the park. Overnight - Kruger N.P.

Days 4 - 5: Inhambane

Kruger - Inhambane Region (Mozambique). On day 4 we leave South Africa and head to the warm waters of the Mozambique coastline. Well known as an Ivory and slave trade centre in the colonial years, Inhambane was the centre of trade for the then Portuguese East Africa. Today Maputo is the capital of Mozambique and the centre of its trade industry. We travel along the scenic back route bypassing the capital to Praia de Zavora Bay, one of the finest stretches of coastline in the Inhambane region where we set up our camp and enjoy the fantastic views and scenery.

The next day is spent at leisure enjoying the fantastic sea side activities on offer. These included swimming, snorkelling, fishing and scuba diving the nearby reefs. Alternatively spend the day lazing on the long sandy beach enjoying the lulling sounds of the waves as they lap the shoreline. Overnight - Praia de Zavora Bay

Day 6:

Inhambane Region - Morrungula. Today we take a leisurely drive up the coast to the picturesque Morrungulu resort. Situated in among a coconut palm plantation, this camp offers a truly tropical island feel. Try your hand at deep-sea fishing, or simply enjoy a relaxing walk along this stretch of beach. Overnight - Morrungulu

Days 7 - 8: Vilanculos

Morrungulu - Vilanculous. Vilanculous is the stepping stone to the 3 main islands of the Bazaruto Archipelago. We spend 2 nights here to give those who wish, the opportunity to take a boat charter out to the smaller island of Magaruque on day 8. Other activities include Dhow trips, sunset cruises, horse riding, big game fishing, whale watching (seasonal) and more. Overnight - Vilanculos

Day 9:

Vilanculous - Bandula. Continuing northward we say farewell to the tropical coastline and head inland to Bandula. Today's drive takes us through the more rural parts of Mozambique and affords the opportunity to see local Mozambican villages and farmsteads. Arriving in the late afternoon, we set up camp on the banks of the Chicamba Dam. Overnight - Bandula

Days 10 - 11: Gweru

Bandula - Gweru (Zimbabwe). On day 10 we enter Zimbabwe - a beautiful country, rich in soul, culture and tradition. We make our way to the town of Gweru, in Zimbabwe's Midlands. Here we stop over at The Antelope Park where a wide variety of game viewing opportunities are available in this area inhabited by lion, elephant, giraffe and obviously numerous antelope! We have the unique opportunity to walk with lions, ride or swim with elephants, view game from horse back or from the back of a vehicle. The following day is spent at leisure enjoying personal encounters with Africa's wildlife. Overnight - Gweru

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Day 12: Bulawayo

Gweru - Bulawayo. Leaving Gweru, we head to Bulawayo - Zimbabwe's second largest city. The city still retains much of its British Colonial character, evident by the many buildings maintained as heritage sites by the Bulawayo City Council. Interesting places to visit are the Natural History Museum, the National Arts Gallery and the Mzilikazi Arts and Crafts Centre. Overnight - Bulawayo

Day 13: Hwange N.P.

Bulawayo - Hwange NP. We continue north-west to Zimbabwe's oldest and largest reserve – the Hwange National Park. Hwange is well known for its abundance and variety of wildlife species including thousands of elephant, and rare antelope species such as the Sable and Roan Antelope. We enjoy a game drive (either late afternoon or early morning) to explore the wilderness in search of these, and the other resident wildlife species. Overnight - Hwange N.P.

Days 14 - 15: Victoria Falls

Hwange NP - Victoria Falls. Leaving Hwange, we head to Victoria Falls. Named after the famous World Heritage site and Water Falls, the town of Victoria Falls is situated on the Zambezi River and surrounded by the Victoria Falls National Park. Our campsite is conveniently situated in the centre of town, and within walking distance of the adventure booking agents, restaurants and shops. A 20 minute walk down the main road takes you to the entry point to view the falls. The afternoon is spent relaxing at the campsite's swimming pool, viewing the Victoria Falls, or exploring the many sights and delights of this town!

Our adventure ends after breakfast on Saturday (day 15). We recommend booking additional days after your trip to take advantage of the exciting optional excursions available at Victoria Falls. Victoria Falls

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

- UNESCO Listed Victoria Falls, one of the natural wonders of the world
- Hwange National Park, Zimbabwe's largest reserve.
- Bulawayo, Zimbabwe's second largest city
- Gweru and wildlife at The Antelope Park
- Bandula town, on the banks of the Chicamba Dam.
- Villanculous, gateway to Mozambique's Bazaruto Archipelago
- Inhambane, beautiful beaches and reefs
- Morrungulu, a picturesque beach resort
- Kruger National Park, South Africa's flagship game reserve.
- South Africa's scenic Panorama Route
- Johannesburg - extend your stay to explore the city

What's Included

- Arrival transfer from Johannesburg Airport on day 1
- 1st night dormitory accommodation at Mufasa Backpackers Johannesburg (upgrades available), 13 nights camping.
- Transport in fully equipped expedition truck
- Services of 3 person crew (leader, driver, cook)
- All camping fees & appropriate equipment
- 13 breakfasts, 13 lunches, 12 dinners
- Park entry - The Antelope Park (Gweru). Park entry & game drive - Kruger NP and Hwange NP.
- All road taxes & tolls

What's Not Included

- International flights and visas
- Sleeping bag and roll mat - please bring your own
- Tipping - an entirely personal gesture
- Optional activities

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PRICES AND DATES: from USD $1,445

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

2013

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
17 AUG - 31 AUG	USD $1,445	-
14 SEP - 28 SEP	USD $1,445	-
12 OCT - 26 OCT	USD $1,445	-
09 NOV - 23 NOV	USD $1,445	-

2014

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
01 MAR - 15 MAR	USD $1,445	-
29 MAR - 12 APR	USD $1,445	-
26 APR - 10 MAY	USD $1,445	-
24 MAY - 07 JUN	USD $1,445	-
21 JUN - 05 JUL	USD $1,445	-
19 JUL - 02 AUG	USD $1,445	-
16 AUG - 30 AUG	USD $1,445	-
13 SEP - 27 SEP	USD $1,445	-
11 OCT - 25 OCT	USD $1,445	-
08 NOV - 22 NOV	USD $1,445	-

POSTCARDS:

Here's what some of our past travellers have written in to us and said about their experiences on this trip.

Hey Kell, Firstly I want to say and HUGE, HUGE, HUGE thank-you to yourself, Louise, Emma and everyone else who made my free trip possible. I have just returned from the Wildlife, Beach and Falls and I had the most incredible, fantastic and memorable trip! We only had a small group, but I have met some wonderful people a couple of whom I hope will be life long friends. I am actually catching up with these two for Rio Carnival next year and they are coming to visit me in Chicago! I didn't catch the surnames of our guide, chef and driver, but I wish to pass on my thanks again and recommendations for all three. Collin our guide was fantastic! His knowledge was incredible. He was considerate to all travellers, answered all questions when and where possible and really went above and beyond! Calisto our driver kept us amused and entertained at all times. Even when we where bogged in Mozambique you could still hear him chuckling away! Avil our chef made fantastic meals everyday and was always considerate to the vegetarian on board. I am sure I have returned a few kilos heavier, but it was well worth it!! I honestly can not express enough how fantastic these three where. Again THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU for this opportunity. It was truly one of my most memorable holidays and I can not wait to return to Africa and explore it more. The team made us feel part of one big family and I can not stop talking about my trip. FANTASTIC!

Kim Briggs, May 2013