



BRIEF ITINERARY

2 Nights Ilala Lodge – Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Activity guide: Walks along the Falls, river cruise, canoeing, rafting

2 Nights Chobe Elephant Camp – Chobe National Park, Botswana

Activity guide: Game drives, boating on the Chobe River

2 Nights Khwai Tented Camp – Moremi Game Reserve, Botswana

Activity guide: Day and night game drives, walking, community visits

2 Nights Pelo Camp – Okavango Delta, Botswana

Activity guide: Boating, nature walks, mokoro trips

Days 1-2 | Ilala Lodge | Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

At Victoria Falls, the earth splits open and swallows one of Africa's greatest rivers, the mighty Zambezi, creating the largest sheet of falling water on earth. As the water hits the narrow depths of the Batoka Gorge beneath, it blasts a cloud of mist skywards, lending the falls their local name 'mosi-oa-tunya' (the smoke that thunders). When the Zambezi is its fullest, the mist hangs a permanent raincloud above the falls, showering visitors on even the sunniest of days and visible for miles around.



Activities in Victoria Falls include white water rafting down the Zambezi Gorge, canoeing or sunset cruises on the upper Zambezi, elephant rides, and helicopter flights over the Victoria Falls. Or just simply walk along the edge of the Falls. you'll get a full-frontal view of three quarters of the falls' mile wide curtain of water from viewpoints and footpaths meandering through a rainforest kept hot and humid by the spray of the falls.

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Ilala Lodge is situated close to the Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe as well as to the town center. Wild animals are often seen grazing the hotel lawns as the National Park borders the front of the property. Conveniently located, the central and extension wing rooms provide easy access to the restaurants, pool and adventure booking center. There is an à la carte restaurant which serves breakfast, lunch and dinner and offers a comprehensive wine list and cocktails. Dining outside under the African night sky amidst the sound of the mighty waterfall makes for an unforgettable evening.



Overnight | Ilala Lodge

Meals | Bed & Breakfast

Activities | Optional activities: Zambezi River cruise, scenic flights, guided tours (activities at extra costs)

Days 3-4 | Chobe Elephant Camp | Chobe National Park, Botswana

The Chobe Riverfront is an elephant mecca; home to the largest density of African elephants in the world. Travel here during Africa's winter and you'll fast run out of fingers and toes while you count them drinking at the riverbanks and socializing out on the floodplains.

Chobe will leave you feeling tiny as giant elephant bulls stroll up next to your vehicle or snorkel alongside your boat. It will make you feel lost as hundreds of hippos and buffaloes crowd you out on the floodplains. It will put your heart in your throat as prides of lions stalk antelopes by the water's edge, and it will leave you alone with your thoughts while the classic red sunsets melt over the river to a soundtrack of whistling fish eagles.



Chobe Elephant Camp: Located high on the edge of a rocky ridge overlooking the famous Chobe River is the newly developed Chobe Elephant Camp. This uniquely designed lodge has been built to take advantage of the incredible views overlooking the sweeping floodplains while offering a comfortable refuge from the harsh African conditions.



The lodge has been entirely constructed from sandbags, the thick sand-filled walls create a natural insulating barrier between the inhabitants and the harsh African climate and enhance the old farm-style feel of the camp. It houses ten rooms, one family room and can sleep 24 guests at a time.

Overnight | Chobe Elephant Camp

Meals | Fully inclusive of meals, drinks, activities

Activities | Game drives and boating on the Chobe River

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Days 5-6 | Khwai Tented Camp | Border of Moremi Game Reserve, Botswana

Wedged between the big-ticket attractions of Chobe National Park to the east and Moremi Game Reserve to the south, Khwai area exists as a significant big game destination of its own. Lying on the eastern fringes of the Okavango Delta with a rich wildlife population and no borders drawn around it on the map, Khwai is often overlooked in favor of its more famous neighbors, though in Africa's winter months it can hold its own for the quality of big game viewing.



During your time here, you'll spend most days exploring the narrow Khwai River, which forms the natural boundary to the Moremi Game Reserve on the south. The Khwai River is a beacon for wildlife and plays host to leopards stalking lechwe in the long grass, lions swimming from the banks to save their cubs' during territorial disputes and crocodiles competing with wild dogs for a midday meal of impala.

As Khwai lies outside the parks, it offers the freedom and flexibility normally only possible with the heavier price tag of a private concession. Go off-road for a closer look at sightings, night drive in search of nocturnal species, and, with a little advance planning, head out on game walks to track wildlife on foot.

Khwai Tented Camp provides the perfect setting of a wilderness area where a community lives in harmony with nature and wildlife. It is a luxury semi-permanent camp in Hemingway style, with en-suite bathrooms, with flushing toilets and bucket showers. The style and ambiance of the camp is in the East African Meru explorer style. This is a real African camping experience which brings you back in tune with nature and will provide many wonderful safari moments under canvas surrounded by untouched wilderness and stunning wildlife.



Overnight | Khwai Tented Camp

Meals | Fully inclusive of meals, drinks, activities

Activities | Day and night game drives & walking. Optional community visits.

Days 7-8 | Pelo Camp | Okavango Delta, Botswana

The Okavango Delta is where the wild things are: an immense, waterlogged oasis alive with elephants and birdlife, adrift in the middle of Kalahari sands. The real magic of the Delta lies in its water, trickling through from far away highlands, and spreading across the channels and floodplains. During Africa's winter in the Kalahari, when the sun has baked the earth bare and turned the desert its driest, water fills the Okavango; transforming the floodplains into a Noah's Ark of African wildlife.



As the water brings life to the delta, its local residents shape and recreate it. Termites slowly build mounds into islands, germinated

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with palm trees by passing elephants. Waterways open and close on the whim of wide-bottomed hippos, carving out channels where they crash through reeds, and leaving room behind them for exploration by mokoro.

Pelo Camp: Pelo means heart - a fitting name as from the air this island is heart shaped and it is situated as deep into the heart of the delta as is possible. The camp is completely eco-friendly and is ideal for the adventurous traveler wanting a classic, traditional Okavango Delta experience. The camp's main area consists of a dining area, lounge and bar with an extended deck overlooking the floodplains beyond. Small and intimate, the five spacious



guest tents have en-suite bathrooms, indoor and outdoor shower and private decks with views out onto the delta. As the camp is located on a small island surrounded by permanent water, activities focus on mokoro excursions, walking, and boating.

Overnight | Pelo Camp

Meals | Fully inclusive of meals, drinks, activities

Activities | Boating, mokoro excursions, nature walks, fishing (conditions permitting)

Day 9 | Depart Maun, Botswana

Today you will be transferred to the Maun Airport for your flight home.

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Special Rates*

(per person sharing)

November 2017 Departures: **\$3835** (was \$4165)

April-May 2018 Departures: **\$3930** (was \$4260)

July-October 2018 Departures: **\$4905** (was \$5325)

***These special safari rates expire October 15, 2017. Contact us to discuss dates and availability!**

Please note this itinerary is subject to availability of all services at time of booking. A 20% non-refundable deposit is required to confirm booking and is due within 7 days of receiving the invoice. Single supplement applicable, contact us for rate.

INCLUDES: Road & air transfers between camps, meals/local drinks as indicated, lodging, activities offered at lodges, Botswana park fees.

EXCLUDES: International flights, pre- or post-safari accommodation/extensions, premium drinks/wine, optional activities, Victoria Falls entrance fee, visas, travel insurance, gratuities, personal items.

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