

12 DAY

ETOSHA & OKAVANGO DELTA EXPRESS (26NDDE12/A)

Adventure Camping & Accommodated Tour Dossier



Included Highlights

Spitzkoppe, Bushman Paintings
Etosha National Park, Game Drives in Acacia Adventure Vehicle with Crew
Kalahari Bushman Walk
Okavango Delta Wilderness Excursion, Mokoro/Walking Safari*
Chobe National Park, Fish Eagle (Sunset) Boat Cruise*
Chobe National Park, Open Vehicle Game Drive with Resident Guide*
Mosi Oa Tunya National Park, Victoria Falls Visit

***Subject to purchasing the Adventure Pass**

Intended Itinerary

It is our intention to adhere to the route described below, but a certain amount of flexibility is built into the tour and on occasion it may be necessary or desirable to make alterations to the published itinerary and/or accommodation at short notice. Driving times are approximate and may vary due to bad weather, traffic, border crossings, police check-points, road works or road conditions and do not include any stops en-route. **Please therefore treat the following as a guide only.** This is a participation tour. Our accommodated tour option travels together with the camping counterpart. Your tour may form part of a longer tour, which some of your fellow travellers may have joined already or continue afterwards.

The description below assumes you have purchased the optional Adventure Pass for the tour.

Duration: 12 Days
Countries visited: Namibia, Botswana, and Zambia

Day 1: Swakopmund - Spitzkoppe

Distance travelled: +/- 150 km
Approx. driving time: 3 - 4 Hours (excluding stops)

Leaving the coast, we turn inland to the beautiful Damaraland region and explore Spitzkoppe where we admire ancient bushman paintings still visible on peculiar rock formations. The giant boulder-like rock formations peak at approx. 1800m above sea level and form a spectacular view. Take your time to explore the area and its delightful calmness. Keep an eye on the ever-changing colour of the rock, especially during sunrise and sunset, when they acquire intense red shades. The most impressive rock painting is "Bushman Paradise", and the natural rock bridge is a favourite viewpoint. The Spitzkoppe Rest camp lies at the base of the mountain and is owned and maintained by the local community. All proceeds from our visit go directly to this community.

Accommodation: Spitzkoppe Community Camp (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (NDDE12):** Camping in twin share tents with very basic shared facilities (no shower, pit latrine)
- **Accommodated Tour (NDDE12A):** Camping in twin share tents with very basic shared facilities (no shower, pit latrine)

Meals Included: Lunch, Dinner

Wi-Fi: No (availability may change without notice)

Optional Activities: Nil

Day 2: Spitzkoppe - Etosha National Park

Distance travelled: +/- 420 km
Approx. driving time: 8 - 9 hours (excluding stops)

From Spitzkoppe we turn north again making our way to Etosha National Park, a vast reserve of over 20,000 sq. km surrounding a central salt depression or 'pan.' The pan is seasonally full of water, but specially managed waterholes sustain some 114 mammals and 340 bird species. We spend two nights here, usually making camp near a floodlit waterhole. Observers frequently see a range of night visitors including elephant, giraffe, zebra, even lion and hyena, making it one of the most memorable wildlife encounters in Namibia - a truly African experience and a highlight of any trip to Namibia.

We have a short afternoon game drive on entering the park and heading to the camp.

Accommodation: Okaukuejo or Halali or Namutoni Camp (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (NDDE12):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (NDDE12A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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Wi-Fi: No (availability may change without notice)

Optional Activities: Nil

Day 3: Etosha National Park

Distance travelled: +/- 250 km

Approx. driving time: Full day including game drives

Today, we enjoy a full day game driving in this magnificent animal kingdom - taking in the park's main characteristic, the salt pan which can be seen from space - in search of elephant, rhino, zebra, giraffes, and the numerous grazing animals frequently spotted around the water holes. Despite the dry nature of the terrain, the park sustains a wide variety of bird species including the large Kori Bustard, Secretary Bird, and many other seed & insect eaters, as well as birds of prey.

After a full day game driving, we return to camp, or onto the next camp and enjoy our last evening around the floodlit watering holes, observing natural animal behaviour at its best.

Accommodation: Okaukuejo or Halali or Namutoni Camp (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (NDDE12):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities

- **Accommodated Tour (NDDE12A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Wi-Fi: No (availability may change without notice)

Optional Activities: Nil

Day 4: Etosha National Park - Windhoek

Distance travelled: +/- 420 km

Approx. driving time: 8 - 9 hours (excluding stops)

Heading south, we arrive in Windhoek, the capital of Namibia, which is located in a basin between the Khomas Highland, Auas and Eros Mountains. Windhoek (Windy corner in English) is home to approximately two hundred thousand people, an extremely small capital by global standards. The city centre is characterized by a proliferation of German style buildings, a lasting reminder of Namibia's early colonial history and atmosphere. Take the opportunity to enjoy a night out at one of the local restaurants.

Accommodation: Urban Camp (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (NDDE12):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities

- **Accommodated Tour (NDDE12A):** Twin share pre-erected tents with shared facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch

Wi-Fi: Yes (availability may change without notice)

Optional Activities: Nil

NB: Some group members may be ending their tour in Windhoek today.

Day 5: Windhoek - Omaheke Region, near Gobabis

Distance travelled: +/- 310 km

Approx. driving time: 6 - 7 Hours (excluding stops)

Leaving Windhoek, we travel east to Gobabis, a city in eastern Namibia and the regional capital of the Omaheke Region to our camp situated close to the border post. Here, in this midst of this beautiful camp we meet the San/Bushman and have a guided bush walk for a cultural experience and insight into these ancient people's way of life. We learn how they work with nature and manage the renewable resources found in their natural surroundings without damaging the fragile balance found in this ecosystem. Something we can all learn from. Your support of this ecotourism venture gives the San/Bushman a sustainable income and helps keep their culture alive.

Accommodation: Zelda's Guest Farm (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (NDDE12):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities

- **Accommodated Tour (NDDE12A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Wi-Fi: No (availability may change without notice)

Optional Activities: Nil

NB: Some group members may be starting their tour in Windhoek today.

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Day 6: Omaheke Region, near Gobabis - Maun, Botswana

Distance travelled: +/- 520 km

Approx. driving time: 10 - 11 Hours (excluding stops / border crossing)

Leaving the Omaheke Region, we travel a short distance to the border into Botswana. Maun is the fifth largest town in Botswana and is an eclectic mix of modern buildings and native dwellings. Although officially still a village, Maun has developed rapidly from a rural frontier town to a community that has distributed along the wide banks of the Thamalakane River where red lechwe antelope can still be seen grazing next to local donkeys, goats, and cattle. Since Maun's founding in 1915 it has had a reputation as a hard living 'Wild West' town helping the local cattle ranching and hunting operations. Maun today is a thriving tourist town famous for its donkey population and to a lesser extent, goats. These animals can be seen standing around town as they are used by local traders and farmers alike to transport their wares to sell on the curb side.

NB: If time allows, we have the opportunity to take an optional scenic flight over the Okavango Delta, either this afternoon or on day 8 on our return from the Delta excursion.

Accommodation: Delta Rain Sitatunga Camp (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (NDDE12):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (NDDE12A):** Twin share pre-erected tents with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Wi-Fi: Yes (availability may change without notice)

Optional Activities: Okavango Delta Scenic Flight per 5-seater plane - 45 min flight, Maun Horse Riding (2 Hours), Helicopter Scenic Flight per 3-seater Chopper - 22 min Flight

Day 7: Maun - Okavango Delta

Distance travelled: +/- 50 km

Approx. driving time: 1 - 2 hours (excluding stops)

Leaving the campsite in Maun we begin our excursion into the Okavango Delta by an open 4x4 safari vehicle to the mokoro station. Here we will be introduced to the local Tswana Polers that will be guiding us on this expedition. We travel by mokoro (dugout canoe) amongst the giant lily pads, tall grasses and labyrinthine channels in search of resident wildlife and a variety of birds, to our tented camp from which we can explore the area on a walking safari.

The Okavango is a natural wetland spreading over some 1,600,000ha of northern Botswana that offers a perfect habitat for the many species of wildlife that roam here freely. The Okavango River rises in Angola (farther to the north) and flows south dividing repeatedly after crossing into Botswana to form an intricate floodplain of channels and which spreads out into a broad flat inland delta - the only one of its kind in the world. We enjoy the afternoon wilderness experience and overnight listening to the sounds of the African night - an unforgettable experience!

Accommodation: Delta Rain Elephant Bush Camp (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (NDDE12):** Twin share pre-erected tents with camp beds and basic en-suite facilities (bucket shower)
- **Accommodated Tour (NDDE12A):** Twin share pre-erected tents with camp beds and basic en-suite facilities (bucket shower)

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Wi-Fi: No (availability may change without notice)

Optional Activities: Nil

Day 8: Okavango Delta - Maun

Distance travelled: +/- 50 km

Approx. driving time: 1 - 2 hours (excluding stops)

This morning, we take an easy paced mokoro ride out of the Okavango Delta back to the polers station from where we will drive back to Maun, our overnight stop. We aim to get back to camp around lunch time to allow for the opportunity to enjoy an optional scenic flight over this spectacular UNESCO world heritage site. Alternatively, the afternoon can be spent at leisure at the camp's pool.

Accommodation: Delta Rain Sitatunga Camp (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (NDDE12):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (NDDE12A):** Twin share pre-erected tents with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Wi-Fi: Yes (availability may change without notice)

Optional Activities: See Day 6

Day 9: Maun - Elephant Sands, Nata

Distance travelled: +/- 380 km

Approx. driving time: 8 - 9 Hours (excluding stops)

Today, we make our way towards Nata travelling through a wide-open wildlife corridor between the Nxai and the Makgadikgadi Pans. We stop off to see one of Africa's most iconic trees - the Baobab along the way and arrive at the Elephant Sands Lodge during the late afternoon. The camp has no fences, so all wildlife can roam freely from one waterhole to another, and one can expect to see a variety of antelope and other wildlife during your stay at Elephant Sands. It is one of the most unique and amazing experiences to watch wild elephants and their behaviour at such close proximity.

Accommodation: *Elephant Sands Lodge (or similar)*

- **Camping Tour (NDDE12):** *Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities*
- **Accommodated Tour (NDDE12A):** *Twin share rooms or pre-erected tents with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

Wi-Fi: *No (availability may change without notice)*

Optional Activities: *Bush Walk, Game Drive*

Day 10: Elephant Sands, Nata - Kasane

Distance travelled: +/- 270 km

Approx. driving time: 5 - 6 Hours (excluding stops)

We make our way to the northern corner of Botswana to Kasane, the gateway to Chobe National Park. By size, it is the third largest park in the country and is the most diverse; home to elephant, lion, buffalo, hippo, and abundant birdlife, including the famous African fish eagle. We take a 'Fish Eagle' cruise on the Chobe River - a great opportunity to see hippo and perhaps elephant or buffalo coming to the river to bathe and drink. The Chobe River is a major watering spot for large breeding herds of elephants, as well as families of giraffe, sable and cape buffalo. The flood plains are the only place in Botswana where the puku antelope can be seen. Birding is also excellent here. When in flood spoonbills, ibis, various species of stork and other waterfowl flock to the area.

Accommodation: *Thebe River Lodge (or similar)*

- **Camping Tour (NDDE12):** *Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities*
- **Accommodated Tour (NDDE12A):** *Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

Wi-Fi: *Yes (availability may change without notice)*

Optional Activities: *Nil*

Day 11: Kasane - Livingstone, Zambia

Distance travelled +/- 80 km

Approx. driving time: 2 - 3 Hours (excluding stops / border crossing)

This morning, we head out to explore the Chobe National Park on an open vehicle game drive where we have the opportunity to spot not only elephant that are so prolific in the park, but also lion, and different antelope species. Moving on from Kasane we take the ferry across the confluence of the Chobe and Zambezi Rivers into Zambia. Zambia, formerly known as Northern Rhodesia, took its name from the Zambezi River at independence in 1964. The Zambezi River is the fourth longest in Africa (after the Nile, Congo, and Niger) and the largest flowing into the Indian Ocean. Home to one of the world's largest waterfalls, we visit Victoria Falls and try to take in the immensity of one of nature's Wonders of the World. At various times of year, the spray from the Falls can be seen from up to 20 or 30 kilometres away, hence the local name 'Mosi oa Tunya' - the 'Smoke that Thunders'.

We set up camp at the Victoria Falls Waterfront campsite on the banks of the Zambezi, just a few kilometres from the Victoria Falls and the small town of Livingstone. We will give a full briefing on the various optional activities available in the area (typically these include rafting, canoeing, bungee, abseiling, gorge swinging, scenic flights, and river cruises), allowing you to plan your time accordingly.

NB: For the sake of practicality, meals in the Livingstone/Victoria Falls area are restricted to breakfasts. This allows you to take on half day or full day activities (some of which include lunch) without having to be back with the group at mealtimes.

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The Waterfront camp restaurant overlooks the Zambezi River and offers a good selection of reasonably priced meals and snacks throughout the day (allow US\$15 - \$30 per meal). Relax and enjoy these few days at your own leisure. Alternatively, take a taxi into Livingstone to try local fare.

Accommodation: Victoria Falls Waterfront (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (NDDE12):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (NDDE12A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast

Wi-Fi: Yes (availability may change without notice)

Optional Activities: See day 12

Day 12: Livingstone

Our tour ends after breakfast, but we highly recommend staying a few more days in the area in order to explore the Victoria Falls area to the full. Apart from the adventure activities already mentioned check out the markets, volunteer a day in some worthwhile local projects, or simply relax at the beautiful waterfront and watch the Zambezi River flow quickly past on its way to Victoria Falls.

Accommodation: Nil

Meals Included: Breakfast

Wi-Fi: N/A

Optional Activities: Bungee Jumping, Full Day Abseil, Mosi Oa Tunya National Park Game Walk, Chief Mukumi Village Tour, Gorge Swing, Zambezi Jet Boat & Cable, Half Day Canoe, Zambezi Sunset Cruise, Full Day White Water Rafting, Helicopter/Microlight Flights, Half Day Fishing, Bridge Tour

Tour Information

TOUR STYLE:

Adventure Tour

Travelling on an adventure tour is great fun, but it can also be challenging! This is a *participation* tour, and your help will be needed in setting up the camp each night and assisting (usually on a rota basis) with the various day to day campsite duties, such as shopping, cooking, and keeping the Acacia vehicle and camp tidy. But don't worry it's not all hard work and it's a great way to meet the local people and get to know your fellow travellers. Your contribution benefits the success of the tour - most people find the greater their involvement, the greater their enjoyment of the whole trip. Our accommodated tour option travels together with the camping counterpart.

Africa is an adventure destination and travelling here is not always predictable so be prepared to 'expect the unexpected' in difficulties or delays which might come our way! However, you'll soon find that the diversity of the African landscape, the wildlife, and the communities we pass on our way, make the sometimes-rough travel and long driving days worthwhile. Come with a sense of adventure and a flexible attitude and you will be sure to enjoy your African adventure across this amazing continent.

Africa provides an ever-changing environment, power failures, water and fuel shortages, temperature fluctuations, and other uncontrollable / unplanned situations do occur. You will need to remain flexible, understanding, and good-humoured. "African time" can be difficult and frustrating for those who are used to a very structured life, so this is something to keep in mind!

YOUR FELLOW TRAVELLERS:

Group Size: Maximum 18

Group Age: 16 - 75

Adventure Tours' travellers come from all over the world and from all walks of life.

NB: Sixteen- and seventeen-year-olds must be accompanied by at least one parent / legal guardian for the duration of their tour.

WHAT'S INCLUDED:

All tour highlights, 2-person dome tents / accommodation as indicated, fully equipped adventure vehicle, camping and cooking equipment, service of two crew, all road and vehicle taxes, all ground transportation, meals as indicated.

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED: Adventure Pass activities, visas, travel insurance, flight departure taxes, airport transfers, optional activities, tips, drinks, sleeping bag (camping tour) and items of personal nature. **NB:** Lunch and dinner in Livingstone and dinner in Windhoek are not included.

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ADVENTURE PASS: The Adventure Pass is paid to your tour leader in Africa at the beginning of the tour (or pre-paid by arrangement prior to your tour). This is separate and in addition to the Tour Price, which is paid before travel, and is paid in the currency listed in the brochure or on the website (usually US dollars in clean, un-torn post 2008 edition notes). The Adventure Pass covers selected park entries, activities, and excursions along the way where payment goes directly to the supplier. The purpose of the separate payment is to ensure local suppliers benefit directly from the income.

ACTIVITIES & EXCURSIONS: These are optional activities that are booked during your holiday and paid directly to the provider while on tour. These options offer a variety of experiences and allow you the freedom to decide what activities you would like to do.

ACCOMMODATION: **Camping Tour (NDDE12):** 2-person dome tents with fly sheets, sewn-in ground sheets, zip-up insect screens and foam mattresses. Sleeping bags and pillows are not provided. Accommodation and facilities as indicated.

Accommodated Tour (NDDE12A): Accommodation and facilities as indicated. 2-person dome tents with fly sheets, sewn-in ground sheets, zip-up insect screens as indicated. A foam mattress, sleeping bag and pillow is provided on camping nights.

We mainly use campsites / accommodation, which usually have reasonable wash and shower facilities, electricity points and sometimes even a small shop, bar, or swimming pool.

WI-FI ON TOUR: While Wi-Fi is becoming more common in some areas of Africa, we cannot guarantee the availability, coverage, speed, cost, or reliability during your tour.

TRANSPORT: 24-seater, self-contained, custom-built vehicle with on-board tables, USB charging station, drinks cooler box, freezer for food, external water tank, small library, safety features and 70-litre individual lockers (700mm deep x 330mm height x 540mm wide), mokoro (dugout canoe), river boat, purpose-built safari vehicle. Travel times indicated are approximate and do not include stops en-route.

GAME PARK VISITS To maximise the quality of game driving and to comply with local authority rulings, some of our National Park visits and game viewing is carried out using services provided by local African ground handlers. As well as enhancing our experience using local guides and smaller vehicles it also allows us to contribute at a 'grassroots' level to local economies from which local people benefit. These local services are included in the Local Payment.

Tour Preparation

BOOKING INFORMATION

When you make a confirmed booking for your tour you will be sent the booking documents and a pre-departure booklet with detailed information to help you prepare for your trip. Once you have paid in full you will receive a Travel Voucher giving details of your joining hotel. Walvis Bay (WVB), Windhoek (WDH), and Livingstone (LVI) are well served by several airlines. Your travel agent can advise on flights to and from the start and finish of your tour.

JOINING INFORMATION

This tour starts in **Swakopmund**. The pre-departure meeting is held at 18:00 on the evening prior to departure. The tour departs Swakopmund early on Day 1 and ends in Livingstone on Day 12.

Meeting point in Swakopmund: Amanpuri Lodge Address: Corner 25 Moses Garoeb St/ Anton Lubowski Avenue Erong, Swakopmund Contact Details: +264 64 40 5587 amanpuri@afol.com.na Tour start time: 08:00 on Day 1	Tour end point in Livingstone: The Victoria Falls Waterfront Address: Sichango Road Livingstone Contact Details: +260 3 320 606/7/8 waterfront@safpar.com Tour end time: After breakfast on Day 12
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PRE TOUR ACCOMMODATION

This tour departs Swakopmund early on Day 1; we strongly recommend therefore that you plan to arrive at least the day before departure to overcome any jetlag and to acclimatise to Africa. We would be happy to book pre-tour accommodation and transfers for you - please call or email us (or speak to your agent) with your arrival details and accommodation requirements. However please **book early** to avoid disappointment and the risk of having to find more expensive (or less convenient) lodgings. If time allows, we also suggest planning a night or two extra (after your tour) to make the most of this part of Africa. Accommodation is usually available locally on arrival, but you can pre-book this with Acacia or your agent.

LUGGAGE

Please try to keep your luggage to a minimum, bearing in mind that most airlines impose a 20kg limit. It should be brought in a soft holdall or rucksack along with a smaller day bag. You will need to bring a mixture of lightweight clothing and warm clothing for the evenings and early morning game drives. You also need a sleeping bag (and small pillow if preferred). We recommended you pack a small torch or headlamp, mosquito spray and a money pouch/ belt that can be easily hidden. Please try to avoid bringing unnecessary valuables and use your hotel safe to store the bulk of your money, passport, and airline tickets. A power bank is useful for recharging electronic devices. A full 'What to Bring' list is included in our **pre-departure booklet**, issued when you book.

VACCINATIONS/HEALTH

The table below indicates the vaccinations suggested for travel on this tour but **should be treated as a guide only**. You should seek professional medical advice from your GP or clinic at least six weeks prior to departure. Please be aware that some of the areas visited on this tour are **malarial**. We strongly recommend you seek professional medical advice for the appropriate anti-malarial tablets.

Country	Tetanus	Diphtheria	Polio	Hepatitis A	Hepatitis B	Typhoid	Meningitis	Rabies	Yellow Fever	Malaria
Namibia	R	R	R	R	-	R	-	R	*	R
Botswana	R	R	R	R	-	R	-	R	*	R
Zambia	R	R	R	R	R	R	-	R	*	R

C = Compulsory, **R** = Recommended, * = If travelling from infected countries a certificate of proof may be required.

NB: To be used as a guide only. Please see your GP or travel clinic for up-to-date medical advice. Alternatively, contact Acacia for any queries or advice regarding vaccination requirements.

COVID-19: International requirements are constantly changing; please contact Acacia for the latest information as it relates to your tour.

VISA AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

The table below indicates the visas required for travel to the countries on this tour but **should be treated as a guide only**. At least one month prior to travel seek confirmation from embassies or a visa specialist, that these requirements are still current. For UK citizens the Foreign & Commonwealth Office (FCO) offers free up-to-date travel info: www.fco.gov.uk. For other nationalities several travel advice websites are listed on the Acacia website.

NB: Please ensure you check the tour itinerary to determine whether you require a Multiple or Single-Entry visa for the relevant country prior to applying for your visas.

Nationality	UK	AUS	NZ	USA	CAN	BEL	IRE	NED	DEN	ITA	GER	AUT	SWE	FIN	NOR	MEX	KOR
Namibia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Botswana	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
Zambia	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No

NAMIBIA

Most nationalities requiring a visa can obtain one on arrival. Alternatively, apply for a visa online in advance. **NB:** Online applications can take up to 7 days to process, please allow sufficient time as delays may occur. Supporting letters are available on request within 42 days of departure. Please see <https://eservices.mhaiss.gov.na> for more information.

BOTSWANA

Travelling with children: Please note that Botswana Immigration requires for all children under the age of 18 to travel with an unabridged birth certificate to enter this country. Specific requirements apply if the minor is not travelling with both parents listed on the certificate. Please contact <https://www.gov.bw/contact-us> for more information.

INSURANCE

It is a booking condition of Acacia that you have full travel insurance valid for the duration of your tour to cover you for medical emergency and repatriation to your home country. Your guide will ask you for a copy of this when you join the tour. It is also important that you leave a copy of your insurance with the person nominated as your emergency contact. We can recommend a respected, specialist travel insurance provider for this tour. Please refer to: <https://acacia-africa.com/travel-info> for more details. In the UK the Foreign & Commonwealth Office (www.fco.gov.uk) issues free up to date travel advice for all countries visited on tour. Most other governments offer a similar service to citizens. We recommend you review this information before you book your tour. Naturally we welcome any questions you may have about security and safety on tour.

Money Matters

PERSONAL EXPENSES

Naturally you will require extra money for your own personal spending on the tour, for Activities and Excursions, snacks, drinks, souvenirs, tips, and items of a personal nature. Everybody has different spending habits but as a guideline we suggest you budget US\$15-30 per day. Also keep US\$ cash for relevant airport taxes and visas needed, optional activities and any additional accommodation before or after your tour.

Spending money is best carried as cash. Namibian Dollars can be used throughout Namibia only and can be obtained from an ATM on arrival. US dollars (US Dollars in clean, un-torn, **post 2008** edition notes) is also accepted for many optional activities & at markets throughout Africa. We have an on-board passenger safe for security and your guide will advise how and when you can exchange money (US dollars, Sterling, or Euro) to local currency throughout the tour.

Currencies are as follows: Namibia - Namibian Dollar; Botswana - Botswana Pula; Zambia - Zambian Kwacha; Please note that South African Rand is also legal tender in Namibia at the same rate of exchange as the Namibian Dollar.

ATM machines are found in Swakopmund, Windhoek, Maun, and Livingstone. Please note they are sometimes unreliable (and therefore should not be relied upon).

Credit cards can be used to pay for optional activities although charges may be high by western standards (+/- 5%).

We recommend you bring your spending money in several different ways (some cash and some cards); your guide can best advise on what to use where.

TIPPING

This is always a matter for your own individual discretion but as in many areas where tourism is an important contributor to the economy, it has become customary to give a small gratuity to local staff, including your tour leader and driver, at the end of a tour if services rendered have been to your satisfaction.

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES AND EXCURSIONS

In order to give you maximum flexibility on tour we offer a number of optional activities on the tour. To help budget, approximate prices are listed below (in US\$ unless otherwise stated. All prices subject to change and availability).

Activity	Price (USD)	Activity	Price (USD)
NAMIBIA		ZAMBIA	
Swakopmund		Livingstone	
Desert Excursion Walk	\$25	Vic Falls Bungee (single/tandem)	\$160
Sand Boarding - Stand Up	\$50	Mosi Oa Tunya National Park Game Walk	\$110
Sand Boarding - Lay Down	\$40	Chief Mukumi Village Tour	\$50
Quad Biking	\$45	Gorge Swing	\$95
Kayaking	\$60	Zambezi Jet Boating & Cable Car	From \$215
Deep Sea Fishing	\$120	Half Day Canoe Safari	\$115
Scenic Flights	\$360	Zambezi Sunset Cruise	\$70
Tandem Skydive	\$200	White-Water Rafting - Full Day	\$180

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Swakopmund Township Tour	\$40	Helicopter/Microlight Flight over the Falls	From \$185
Dolphin and Seal Cruise	\$60	Fishing - Half Day	\$145
BOTSWANA		Bridge Tour	\$65
Maun		Full Day Abseil	\$190
Okavango Scenic Flight (5-seater plane - 45min flight)	From \$650		
Okavango Scenic Helicopter Flight (3-seater - 22min flight)	From \$450		
Elephant Sands			
Bush Walk	\$20		
Game Drive	\$25		

Responsible Travel

We strongly believe that you get the most out of a journey by respecting the culture and people of the places you visit. On our tours we try to travel in a way that benefits the communities we pass through and minimises negative impact on the environment. This can be from ensuring the campsites we use are clean when we leave and dressing respectfully in conservative areas to getting involved with local charity projects. We ask that you are open to this when you travel with us. Being proactive in responsible travel helps develop cross-cultural understanding and friendships with the local people and will greatly enhance your experience in Africa.

Contact Us

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