

Included Highlights

Blyde River Canyon
Bourke's Luck Potholes
Kruger National Park, Full Day Open Vehicle Game Drives with Resident Guide*
Bakone Malapa Open Air Cultural Museum*
Matobo National Park, Half Day Open Vehicle Game Drive and Wilderness Walk with Resident Guide*
Dusty Road Township Dinner
Simunye - The Spirit of Africa Theatre Show
Victoria Falls Visit*
Victoria Falls, Zambezi Sunset Dinner Cruise*
Chobe National Park, Fish Eagle (Sunset) Boat Cruise*
Chobe National Park, Open Vehicle Game Drive with Resident Guide*
Okavango Delta Excursion, Mokoro/Walking Safari*
Nata Village Tour
Khama Rhino Sanctuary*

***Subject to purchasing the Safari 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.** Your tour may form part of a longer tour, which some of your fellow travellers may have joined already or continue afterwards.

Your tour starts/ends in **Pretoria**, South Africa's administrative capital. Close enough to Johannesburg to almost be considered a suburb, Pretoria is known as the Jacaranda City, with purple blossoms covering the streets in October each year. Pretoria boasts many sights of interest - such as the 10m bronze statue of Nelson Mandela standing beside the historic Union Buildings. Various cultural sites, shops, bars, and restaurants are within an easy walk of our recommended hotel (and tour start point).

How do I get to Pretoria? Simple. Book a transfer before you leave home to meet you at Johannesburg's OR Tambo International and take you direct to the hotel in Pretoria. Journey time is about 45 minutes depending on traffic. We particularly recommend a pre-booked transfer if you are arriving late. Alternatively, there is a regular low-cost train service called the Gautrain which runs from OR Tambo International to both Johannesburg and Pretoria. If the train interests you, email or ask Acacia for more information.

The description below follows the itinerary with the mandatory Safari Pass for the tour.

Duration: 14 Days
Countries visited: South Africa, Zimbabwe, and Botswana

Day 1: Pretoria, South Africa - Hazyview

Distance travelled: +/- 380 km
Approx. driving time: 7 - 8 Hours (excluding stops)

Departing from South Africa's administrative city, Pretoria, we drive across the scenic Mpumalanga province and enjoy the spectacular mountain vistas. We visit the Blyde River Canyon, stopping at the distinctive Three Rondavels, odd-looking rock towers perched on the edge of the canyon, where crisp mountain air and sweeping views reward us. We continue to Bourke's Luck Potholes, a striking geological formation sculpted by centuries of water erosion. Unlike the arid, wind-carved canyons found elsewhere, the Blyde River Canyon is a rare "wet" canyon, lush and dramatic, and we round off the visit with panoramic views.

After lunch we continue our journey to our accommodation, just minutes from Kruger National Park. After dinner relax and enjoy the first night on tour.

Accommodation: Umbhaba Eco Lodge (or similar) - Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Nil

Day 2: Hazyview - Kruger National Park

Approx. driving time: Full day including game drives

Waking early, we board 4x4 game viewing vehicles for an intense but rewarding day in Kruger National Park. Your professional guide will point out items of interest as we go, and we hope will help the day to be a wonderful opportunity to learn something of the varied and world-renowned Kruger. The park is home to over 505 species of birds and 148 species of mammals as well as good numbers of reptiles and abundant flora. The park has a good network of roads allowing relatively easy access - essential given its size - but has clear rules about encroaching on the animals' space ensuring conservation is given a high priority, which perhaps helps explain why Kruger is held in such high regard amongst travellers worldwide.

We game drive morning and afternoon with a break during the middle of the day to enjoy the peace of the rest camp and wait out the hottest part of the day (when wildlife is usually less active). If you have questions about the wildlife you see, or about the park itself, please ask your resident guide who will be happy to explain the ins and outs of animal behaviour and other interesting sights in Kruger. Eventually we leave the park to return to our accommodation for dinner and overnight.

Accommodation: *Umbhaba Eco Lodge (or similar) - Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Dinner*

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

Optional Activities: *Nil*

Day 3: Hazyview - Polokwane

Distance travelled: +/- 305 km

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

After breakfast we leave the Kruger area and travel across undulating countryside to the northern town of Polokwane.

The journey takes us over some beautiful scenic mountain passes and through flourishing citrus plantations nestled along the valleys of the Limpopo Province. Previously known as the Northern Province, this is a land of myths and legends and is also highly rated as a southern Africa Eco-tourism destination.

Arriving in Polokwane, we head off to learn more about the local Bakone culture. This interesting open-air museum allows us to learn about traditional methods of the Bakone tribe who were settled in this area from historic times to the present day. Learn how they made fire, harvested, and prepared the staple mielie meal, and about the interesting decorations that adorn their dwellings. We later make our way to our accommodation nearby.

Accommodation: *Destiny Inn Lodge (or similar) - Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Dinner*

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

Optional Activities: *Nil*

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

Day 4: Polokwane - Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

Distance travelled: +/- 550 km

Approx. driving time: 9 - 10 Hours (excluding stops / border crossing)

This morning, we make our way north crossing out of South Africa and into Zimbabwe. Immigration formalities at the busy Beitbridge border may be lengthy as this is South Africa's busiest land border, but once completed we continue to Bulawayo, a pleasant city with broad tree lined avenues and wide-open spaces. The area around the city offers much in the way of historical, geological, and natural interest. Several national parks are nearby including the well-known Matobo (sometimes written Matopos) which we shall visit. Our accommodation for the evening is in a quiet garden setting on the outskirts of town.

Accommodation: *Travellers Guest House (or similar) - Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Dinner*

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

Optional Activities: *Nil*

Day 5: Bulawayo - Matobo National Park

Approx. driving time: Half day including game drive and wilderness walk

Matobo National Park is located a short distance outside Bulawayo and knowledgeable guides will take us to this very impressive park. This reserve has the largest concentration of Black and White Rhino in Africa and, provided conditions are right, our guides will lead us on foot to some of the more concealed places in search of these magnificent animals. The park also has the densest population of leopard and black eagle in the world, and we keep our eyes peeled high and low for these creatures. This half day tour will end after the walk, and a vehicle will transfer you back to the camp for an afternoon at leisure.

Optional Full Day: The wind sculptured Matobo Hills are home to numerous Bushman paintings of which we get to visit on this optional full day tour. The hills are also home to the grave site of Cecil John Rhodes who chose this as his burial place owing to the intense natural beauty and startling views from the hills. His grave can be visited at World's View - a place of continual debate owing to his involvement in claiming the land and its people for Queen & Country in colonial times.

Accommodation: Travellers Guest House (or similar) - Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Upgrade to full day tour including historical tour and village tour

Day 6: Bulawayo - Victoria Falls

Distance travelled: +/- 450 km

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

Departing Bulawayo, we continue north to Victoria Falls. This is a relatively small town built along the southern banks of the Zambezi River and is Zimbabwe's primary tourist centre. The Victoria Falls themselves are only a short walk and the town has a variety of markets, shops, cafes within easy distance. Your tour leader will arrange a briefing to explain the numerous optional excursions typically available here.

After settling into our accommodation, we head out for dinner at Dusty Road, a classic Zimbabwean eatery in Chinotimba, the largest and oldest township in Victoria Falls. Here, authentic local dishes are cooked over open fires, and the experience goes beyond food: the restaurant actively supports female empowerment and community welfare, using tourism to create real, lasting livelihoods.

After dinner, we head to the theatre for Simunye - The Spirit of Africa. This is far more than a stage show. Written and produced locally, and performed by local actors and singers, it is a powerful celebration of the region's natural beauty, cultural heritage, and human spirit. Through original music, a compelling storyline, and striking costumes, the production leaves audiences inspired and emotionally connected to the magic of Victoria Falls. We are proud to support this standout cultural experience, directly backing local talent, creativity, and livelihoods.

Accommodation: Cresta Sprayview or Shearwater Explorers Village - Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: See day 7

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

Day 7: Victoria Falls

Rising early, we visit the Victoria Falls National Park itself to witness one of Africa's most enduring sights. Please take care when wandering along the pathways inside the reserve - the Falls are almost 100 metres deep and the drops are sheer! The rest of the day is at leisure giving you the opportunity to explore and Victoria Falls. The Zambezi boasts one of the world's highest rated rivers for white river rafting with its many challenging rapids. Alternative options include canoeing, scenic flights, bungee or (more relaxed) afternoon tea at the colonial styled Victoria Falls Hotel.

We end our day joining a peaceful sunset dinner cruise on the Zambezi River. Soak up the African ambience with drink in hand as you cruise slowly up and down and look out for elephant, buffalo, buck, hippo, and birdlife along the shallow muddy banks of one of Africa's great rivers. We return to our accommodation for overnight or to try some of the local nightlife.

Accommodation: Cresta Sprayview or Shearwater Explorers Village - Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: *Bungee Jumping, Gorge Swing, Helicopter Flights, White Water Rafting, Full Day Canoe, Game Walk, Jet Boating, Birding Half Day, Bike Tour - 3 Hours*

NB: *Some group members may be ending their tour in Victoria Falls today.*

Day 8: Victoria Falls - Kasane, Botswana - Chobe National Park

Distance travelled: +/- 80 km

Approx. driving time: 1 - 2 Hours (excluding stops / border crossing)

From Victoria Falls we travel the short distance to the Botswana border and cross into the small town of Kasane, and on to our lodge. This afternoon we head out onto a boat cruise in the Chobe National Park.

Chobe is widely known for its populations of elephant, but the park also contains lion, leopard, hyena, giraffe and a host of antelope and birdlife. The Chobe floodplains and Chobe River provide a sensitive eco system which attracts much of the wildlife of the region especially in the dry season. One highlight of Chobe is the combination of wildlife, birdlife and reptiles seen along the banks of the Chobe River.

We take the afternoon cruise for a unique perspective of river-side wildlife. This evening, we relax and overnight at the lodge.

Accommodation: *Thebe River Lodge (or similar) - Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Dinner*

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

Optional Activities: *Nil*

NB: *Some group members may be starting their tour in Victoria Falls today.*

Day 9: Kasane - Nata

Distance travelled: +/- 315 km

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

We head out to explore the Chobe National Park in an open vehicle game drive where we may have the opportunity to spot not only elephant that are so prolific in the park, but also lion and different antelope species.

Driving south we may be lucky to encounter elephant or buffalo alongside (or on) the road, often strays to the migratory herds which roam freely throughout the area in search of pasture and water. We stop in the small settlement of Nata for the night. If we are lucky, we will see plenty of bird species including Southern yellow-billed hornbills, pied and arrow-marked babblers, glossy starlings and paradise whydahs from the comfort of the pool deck, bar or breakfast table.

Accommodation: *Nata Lodge (or similar) - Twin share chalets or pre-erected tents with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Dinner*

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

Optional Activities: *Nata Bird Sanctuary*

Day 10: Nata - Maun

Distance travelled: +/- 320 km

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

After an early breakfast we join a guided tour through a local village to learn something of the life of the local community. We then depart and head west to Maun, the gateway to the Okavango Delta. Maun has experienced rapid growth in recent years and is a bustling provincial centre. Options here include scenic flights, but our priority is to prepare for our excursion into the Okavango Delta. The afternoon is at leisure to relax with a cool beverage and pack for the Delta excursion for the following day.

Accommodation: *Delta Rain Sitatunga Camp (or similar) - Twin share chalets with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Dinner*

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

Optional Activities: *Nil*

Day 11: Maun - Okavango Delta

Distance travelled: +/- 50 km

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

Heading out early after breakfast we begin our excursion into the Okavango Delta. The first part of the journey is by 4x4 over rough sandy paths to the 'mokoro' station, where the river level reaches. Here we are introduced to the local Tswana 'polers', our guides for the excursion and transfer our luggage and equipment to the mokoros (dug-out canoes). We travel by these shallow canoes amongst giant lily pads, tall grasses, and labyrinthine channels to our camp on the edge of the Okavango.

From our camp we venture out on guided walk, in search of some of the prolific birdlife and larger mammals that inhabit the reserve. The whole area is a natural wetland spreading over some 1,600,000ha of northern Botswana offering a perfect habitat for the wildlife that roams here freely. The Okavango River rises in Angola (far to the north) and flows south dividing repeatedly to form an intricate floodplain of channels and swamps which then spreads out into a broad flat inland delta - the only one of its kind in the world. We enjoy the afternoon wilderness experience and for many people the feeling of being at camp overnight is an unforgettable experience.

Accommodation: Delta Rain Elephant Bush Camp (or similar) - 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 12: Okavango Delta - Maun

Distance travelled: +/- 50 km

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

This morning, we explore the surrounds on a nature walk where you have the thrilling experience of being out in the natural wilderness. This is a great way to enjoy the sights, sounds and smells of the wilderness and enjoy nature as it wakes for the day. After the bush we enjoy breakfast and then pack up again onto our mokoros, leaving nothing behind but footprints. Returning to our 4x4 and bidding our polers farewell, we return to Maun.

The afternoon offers the opportunity to join the guide for a trip into town for a little shopping. Another popular activity here is an optional scenic flight over the 'Delta' for a bird's eye view of the wilderness you have just explored by mokoro and on foot. Prices depend on number of people interested but seeing the vastness of the Okavango from the air gives a further appreciation of the beauty of this part of Africa. We return to our lodge for dinner and overnight.

Accommodation: Delta Rain Sitatunga Camp (or similar) - Twin share chalets 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 13: Maun - Khama Rhino Sanctuary - Stevensford Game Reserve

Distance travelled: +/- 710 km

Approx. driving time: 12 - 13 Hours (excluding stops)

Another early rise for our long journey skirting the greater Kalahari, where we may glimpse in the distance the vast salt pans of central Botswana to the Khama Rhino Sanctuary which we normally reach by late afternoon.

In 1989 a group of local people wished to convert the Serowe Pan, previously a hunting area, into a conservation region for the rhino that inhabited the area. The 'Pan' was chosen because of its rhino-friendly habitat (and for its proximity to the Botswana Defence Force base for 24-hour protection against poachers). Khama is a prime habitat for white rhino, zebra, wildebeest, and giraffe and with its community-based wildlife project, allows the local people to benefit from tourism. We take a game drive to catch sight of some of the rhino with guides often pointing up interesting facts about the local fauna and flora.

Our last night on safari is spent at the Stevensford private nature conservancy situated on the Limpopo River in Botswana's Tuli Block. At 3500 ha, this reserve is home to many species of antelope, crocodile, hippo, zebra, giraffe, and a plethora of bird species.

Accommodation: Stevensford Game Reserve (or similar) - Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Nil

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Day 14: Stevensford Game Reserve - Pretoria, South Africa

Distance travelled: +/- 400 km

Approx. driving time: 7 - 8 Hours (excluding stops / border crossing)

Our last morning sees us joining the main route along Martin's Drift border post. Crossing the mighty Limpopo River into South Africa, we take in the scenic views and notice changes to vegetation, infrastructure, and populated areas. We arrive in Pretoria where our tour ends normally by mid to late afternoon.

Accommodation: Nil

Meals Included: Breakfast

Wi-Fi: N/A

Optional Activities: Nil

Tour Information

TOUR STYLE:

Small Group Safari

To allow for the highlights and experiences packed into this tour, some long distances need to be covered. To minimise the impact travelling inevitably will have on a tour of this nature, we have allocated some days as longer driving days than others. Our intention is to cover the necessary ground as quickly and safely as possible with minimal delays. Border crossings, in particular, at Beitbridge (day 4) can be tedious, as are the number of police road checks currently in place in Zimbabwe. We ask that you remain patient throughout. Africa is a wonderful continent to explore but there are occasions when it helps to remember that we are guests here and that when travelling sometimes things will take longer than we would like or expect at home.

YOUR FELLOW

TRAVELLERS:

Group Size: Maximum 12

Group Age: 8 - 75

Small Group Safaris' travellers come from all over the world and from all walks of life.

WHAT'S INCLUDED:

All tour highlights, twin share accommodation as indicated, services of an English-speaking driver / tour leader, all road and vehicle taxes, all ground transportation, meals as indicated.

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED: Safari Pass activities, visas, travel insurance, flights, airport transfers, optional activities, laundry, gratuities, passport & visa fees, items of a personal nature. Meals not included are purchased en-route for lunches, and in restaurants for dinner when in towns. Please ensure you budget for these.

SAFARI PASS:

The mandatory Safari Pass is paid to your tour leader at the beginning of the tour in USD cash, US dollars in clean, un-torn post 2008 edition notes (or pre-paid by arrangement at the time of booking). It is separate and in addition to the Tour Price and covers the cost of selected park entries, activities, and excursions along the way. The purpose of the separate payment is to ensure local suppliers benefit directly from your visit at the time of travel.

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:

Twin share accommodation with en-suite facilities as indicated. We mainly use accommodation situated in comfortable and picturesque locations with a pool, restaurant, and bar.

Please note that whilst every effort has been made to select accommodation of a consistent standard throughout the tour there are areas where this is difficult to achieve. We have not designed the tour with international standard hotels in mind but instead have sourced privately owned properties more suited to the environment and to Acacia's philosophy of helping local benefit from tourism. For that reason, accommodation, hotel facilities and service levels may vary from area to area between and within countries. To a degree this reflects local infrastructure, tourism development, and of the communities whose areas we are visiting. At times you may find lapses in service frustrating, but we ask your patience and that you consider it part of the African experience. Naturally your tour leader will do all he can to rectify any problems that may arise as the tour proceeds and although we ask that you accept that not everything on tour is under his or Acacia's control.

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: 12-seater, self-contained, custom-built vehicle or minibus, 4x4 open safari vehicle, river cruise boat, mokoro (please note vehicles are not air conditioned).

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.

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. Johannesburg (JNB) nearby Pretoria is well served by a variety of airlines. Your travel agent can advise on flights to and from the start and finish of your tour.

JOINING INFORMATION

This tour starts in **Pretoria**. The **pre-departure meeting is held at 18:00 on the evening prior to departure**. The tour departs at **07:00 on day 1 and ends in Pretoria on day 14**.

Meeting point in Pretoria: Address: Court Classique Suite Hotel 743 Francis Baard Street Pretoria, 0007 Contact details: +27 12 344 4420 reservations@courtclassique.co.za Tour start time: 07:00 on Day 1	Tour end point in Pretoria: Address: Court Classique Suite Hotel 743 Francis Baard Street Pretoria, 0007 Contact details: +27 12 344 4420 reservations@courtclassique.co.za Tour end time: Late afternoon/early evening on Day 14
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PRE TOUR ACCOMMODATION

This tour departs Pretoria 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 luggage limit. A large soft holdall or backpack and a smaller day pack is ideal. On this tour you will need a mixture of lightweight cool clothing for the day and warm clothing (i.e., fleece, long trousers, scarf, and hat) for mornings and evenings as it can be cool on game drives and cold in winter (May-Aug). Pack a light rain jacket. It is advisable to bring mosquito spray throughout the year. A money belt / pouch that can be worn comfortably beneath your clothing is recommended. Please avoid bringing unnecessary valuables. A power bank is recommended to charge 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
South Africa	R	R	R	R	-	R	-	-	*	R
Zimbabwe	R	R	R	R	-	R	-	-	*	R
Botswana	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 a number of 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
South Africa	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
Zimbabwe	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

SOUTH AFRICA

Certain nationalities requiring a visa are required to apply for a visa in advance of arrival.

Travelling with children: Please note that South Africa 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 see <https://www.dha.gov.za/index.php/immigration-services/types-of-visas> for more information.

SARS Traveller Declaration - Mandatory from 1 July 2026: All travellers entering or leaving South Africa must complete the SARS Online Traveller Declaration within 24 hours before departure or arrival. This digital form replaces the old paper customs slip. Travellers will receive a QR code to present at customs. If not completed in advance, it can be done at airport kiosks, but delays may occur. Please see www.sars.gov.za/travellerdeclaration for more information.

ZIMBABWE

We recommend all nationalities who require a visa to obtain their visa upon arrival, payable in US\$ cash.

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 lunches, 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. Most spending will be in South Africa Rand, Botswana Pula, and US Dollars for Zimbabwe (for incidental expenses along the way, optional activities) but it's a good idea to bring along some US\$ cash for any international airport taxes or visas.

Spending money is best carried as cash in either South Africa Rand or US dollars (US Dollars in clean un-torn post 2008 edition notes), Sterling or Euro which can be exchanged into Rand on arrival and as you travel. Your guide will give general guidance about spending during the tour.

Currencies are as follows: South Africa - Rand, Botswana - Pula, Zimbabwe - US Dollars.

ATM machines are found throughout South Africa and Botswana although may be unreliable (so we ask that you please do not rely on them). Cash is often not available in Zimbabwe.

Credit cards can be used to pay for larger optional activities although there may be an additional fee for their use.

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 / 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)
ZIMBABWE		Victoria Falls continues...	
Matobo National Park		Jet Boating	\$100
Matobo Upgrade to Full Day Tour	\$55	Birding Half Day	\$160
Victoria Falls		BOTSWANA	
Vic Falls Bungee (single/tandem)	\$170	Maun	
Bike Tour - 3 hours	\$65	Okavango Scenic Flight (5-seater plane - 45min flight)	From \$650
White-Water Rafting	\$130	Okavango Scenic Helicopter Flight (3-seater - 22min flight)	From \$450
Gorge Swing	\$100	Nata	
Full Day Canoe	\$150	Nata Bird Sanctuary	\$35
Helicopter (12min flight)	\$150		

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 lodges 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.

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As a member of ABTA (W4093), we are fully bonded for your financial protection and adhere to the highest standards set by the organisation for quality and service.

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