

Included Highlights

Cape Town Township Tour
 Fish River Canyon
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 Sossusvlei Shuttle & Guided Walk
 Dune 45
 Spitzkoppe, Bushman Paintings
 Etosha National Park, Game Drives in Acacia Adventure Vehicle with Crew
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 Okavango Delta Wilderness Excursion, Mokoro/Walking Safari*
 Chobe National Park, Fish Eagle (Sunset) Boat Cruise*
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 Lake Nakuru National Park, Game Drive in Purpose-Built Safari Vehicles with Resident Guide*
 Chimpanzee Trekking**
 Mountain Gorilla Trekking**

*Subject to purchasing the Adventure Pass

**Subject to purchasing the Gorilla & Chimpanzee Trekking Permit

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 follows the itinerary with the mandatory Adventure Pass for the tour.

Duration: 56 Days

Countries visited: South Africa, Namibia, Botswana, Zambia, Malawi, Tanzania, Kenya, and Uganda

Day 1: Cape Town, South Africa - Cederberg Region

Distance travelled: +/- 260 km

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

Our adventure begins in cosmopolitan Cape Town, overlooked by Table Mountain, and bordered by the Atlantic Ocean, one of the world's most picturesque cities. Before we leave the city, we take a tour of the Cape Flats, at one of Cape Town's intriguing townships, visiting some of the local people and community projects in the area. The townships illustrate both South Africa's tumultuous history and its hope for the future which makes for a fascinating visit. From here we head north through South Africa's Western Cape and through the fruit growing regions of Citrusdal.

Our campsite is located near the Olifants River overlooking the stunning Cederberg Mountains. After setting up camp there is an option to sample some of the local wines of the region, properly meet the rest of the group and enjoy our first night under the African sky.

Accommodation: *Highlanders Camp (or similar)*

○ **Camping Tour (GAA56):** *Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities*

○ **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** *Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Lunch included on township tour, Dinner*

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

Optional Activities: *Wine Tasting*

Day 2: Cederberg Region - Gariep (Orange) River, Namibia

Distance travelled: +/- 400 km

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

Continuing north, the landscape gradually turns drier and rockier as we head towards the Namibian border crossing at Vioolsdrift. We set up camp tonight on the Namibian side of the Gariep River, a stunning backdrop. Our camp provides you with the necessary comforts like hot showers, flush toilets, grassy campsites, swimming pool, bar facilities and the Gariep River is safe for swimming! You will be briefed on an optional Gariep River canoe safari for the following morning. The camp by night is showered with stars of the Richtersveld - a truly peaceful and tranquil experience.

Accommodation: *Felix Unite (or similar)*

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** *Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities*
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** *Twin share cabanas with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner***Wi-Fi:** *Yes (availability may change without notice)***Optional Activities:** *Nil*

Day 3: Gariep (Orange) River - Fish River Canyon

Distance travelled: +/- 180 km

Approx. driving time: 4 - 5 Hours (excluding stops)

This morning, we have the opportunity to partake in an optional canoe safari on the river or simply relax on the water's edge before making our way to the majestic Fish River Canyon. One of the natural wonders of Africa, the canyon is some 500m deep and over 160km long and often referred to as the second largest canyon in the world. There are plenty of opportunities for keen photographers this afternoon especially at the canyons infamous sharp river bend known as 'Hells Corner'. A great opportunity to find a quiet spot and marvel at the sheer beauty of the Fish River Canyon.

Accommodation: *Canyon Roadhouse (or similar)*

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** *Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities*
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** *Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner***Wi-Fi:** *Yes (availability may change without notice)***Optional Activities:** *Canoe Safari*

Day 4: Fish River Canyon - Sesriem Area

Distance travelled: +/- 550 km

Approx. driving time: 11 - 12 Hours (excluding stops)

After a night near the canyon, we continue north to the Sesriem Area, the gateway to the Namib Naukluft National Park, containing the world's oldest desert and highest sand dunes. The Namib-Naukluft National Park contains part of the Namib Desert and the Naukluft mountain range. With an overall area of 49,768 km² it is larger than Switzerland and is the second largest game park in Africa and the fourth largest in the world. Here we set up camp for the evening under the starry Namibian sky.

Accommodation: *Sossus Oasis Overland Camp (or similar)*

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** *Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities*
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** *Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner***Wi-Fi:** *No (availability may change without notice)***Optional Activities:** *Nil*

Day 5: Namib Naukluft National Park - Solitaire Area

Distance travelled: +/- 200 km

Approx. driving time: 4 - 5 Hours (excluding stops)

This morning, we enter the National Park to trek to the top of famous Dune 45. A spectacular sight but be warned, it's not an easy feat to reach the top as some dunes are over 300m high! After a well-deserved breakfast we continue deeper into the park for a nature walk to 'Dead Vlei', amidst the giant sand dunes - a real glimpse of Namibia's unspoilt natural environment.

Bring your camera - the shifting colours of the desert as the sun climbs throughout the mid/late morning offer some brilliant photographic opportunities.

Departing from the dunes, we stop off at the smaller Sesriem Canyon where the multiple layers of rock and pebbles make for an interesting insight to what lies beneath the mountains of sand. Thereafter we make our way via Namibia's smallest town, Solitaire to our camp for the night.

Accommodation: *Sossus on Foot Camp (or similar)*

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** *Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities*
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** *Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

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

Optional Activities: *Desert Experience*

Day 6: Solitaire Area - Swakopmund

Distance travelled: +/- 260 km

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

Leaving our desert camp, we head for the Atlantic coast for the next two nights, crossing over the Tropic of Capricorn, and stopping for a photo opportunity en-route. Swakopmund makes for a refreshing change with cooler Atlantic sea air, a taste of civilization and a swathe of exciting things to do and places to explore. Be daring and try some desert-based adventure activities - quad biking, sand boarding, skydiving (weather permitting) and more! For those not seeking adventure enjoy what the town has to offer: shopping, restaurants, museums, aquarium, art galleries - or else simply walk along the promenade admiring the ocean, the quaint German-style architecture and indulge in the town's café culture.

NB: For the sake of practicality, meals in Swakopmund 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 for mealtimes. Swakopmund town offers a variety of bakeries and cafes with a selection of reasonably priced meals (allow ZAR 80-150 per meal). Relax and enjoy these days at your own leisure.

Accommodation: *Amanpuri (or similar)*

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** *Dorm beds with shared facilities*
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** *Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast*

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

Optional Activities: *See day 7*

Day 7: Swakopmund

Today is a free day to enjoy all this quaint seaside town has to offer - from the many optional activities to the German patisseries, cafés, and restaurants.

Accommodation: *Amanpuri (or similar)*

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** *Dorm beds with shared facilities*
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** *Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast*

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

Optional Activities: *Sandboarding - Stand Up / Lay down, Quad Biking, Skydiving, Deep Sea Fishing, Scenic Flights, Swakopmund Township Tour, Dolphin and Seal Cruise, Kayaking*

Day 8: 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 (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with very basic shared facilities (no shower, pit latrine)
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Camping in twin share tents with very basic shared facilities (no shower, pit latrine)

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 Swakopmund today.

Day 9: 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 (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Nil

Day 10: 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 (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Nil

Day 11: 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 (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** 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 12: 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 (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** 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.**Day 13: 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 15 on our return from the Delta excursion.

Accommodation: Delta Rain Sitatunga Camp (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** 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 14: 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 (GAA56):** Twin share pre-erected tents with camp beds and basic en-suite facilities (bucket shower)
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** 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 15: 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 (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** 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 13

Day 16: 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 (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** 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 17: 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 (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Nil

Day 18: 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 drive across the Kazungula Bridge over 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. 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 (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast

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

Optional Activities: See day 19

Day 19: Livingstone

We have a free day in Livingstone today to explore the town, pop over to neighbouring Zimbabwe or enjoy the many optional activities on offer such as rafting, bungee jumping, river cruises, flights over the falls, just to name a few.

Accommodation: Victoria Falls Waterfront (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast

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

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

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

Day 20: Livingstone

Spend your leisure day in Livingstone exploring the activities, town and markets or simply relax poolside at the Waterfront. The perfect time to catch up on your social media and share your experiences before heading off into the East Africa part of your holiday in the morning.

Accommodation: *Victoria Falls Waterfront (or similar)*

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** *Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities*
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** *Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast*

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

Optional Activities: *See day 19*

Day 21: Livingstone - Lusaka

Distance travelled: +/- 470 km

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

Relaxed and revitalized from the wonderful stay in Livingstone, we head through lush country and small villages to Lusaka, Zambia's Capital city. Lusaka is Southern Africa's fastest growing city with approx. 1.7 million people and is located on the southern plateau at an elevation of 1300m with four main highways running north, south, east, and west to different parts of Africa. This city is the commercial hub as well as the centre for the government. Our campsite for the evening is set in a tranquil and relaxing setting on a farm.

Accommodation: *Eureka Camp (or similar)*

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** *Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities*
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** *Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

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

Optional Activities: *Nil*

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

Day 22: Lusaka - Petauke

Distance travelled: +/- 420 km

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

We leave early and take the Great East Road, linking Zambia with neighbour Malawi. We drive through lush countryside and small villages, crossing the Luangwa River before reaching our accommodation situated 5km from Petauke.

Accommodation: *Chimwemwe Lodge (or similar)*

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** *Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities*
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** *Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

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

Optional Activities: *Nil*

Day 23: Petauke - South Luangwa National Park

Distance travelled: +/- 310 km

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

We make our way to South Luangwa National Park, which is known to be one of the greatest wildlife sanctuaries in the world. The concentration of animals around the Luangwa River, and its oxbow lagoons, is among the most intense in Africa. There are 60 different animal species and over 400 different bird species inhabiting the area. Hippo, elephant, lion, leopard, buffalo, giraffe with many other species flourishes in the 20,000 sq. miles of savannah woodland watered by the 500-mile-long river. The river itself is the most intact and unaltered major river system in Africa and covers 9059 km². The changing seasons add to the Park's richness, ranging from; dry, bare bushveld in the winter, to lush green lands in the summer months.

On arrival we set up camp and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure to enjoy the many optional activities on offer.

Accommodation: *Wildlife Camp (or similar)*

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** *Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities*
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** *Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

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

Optional Activities: *Village Tour, Walking Safari, Game Drives*

Day 24: South Luangwa National Park - Chipata

Distance travelled: +/- 130 km

Approx. driving time: 3 - 4 Hours (excluding stops)

In the morning, we embark on an open vehicle game drive with a local ranger along the river's edge to see the abundance of animal and birdlife inhabiting the area. Following the game drive, we make our way to Chipata.

Accommodation: *Mama Rula's Camp (or similar)*

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** *Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities*
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** *Twin share rooms with shared facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

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

Optional Activities: *Nil*

Day 25: Chipata - Kande Beach (Lake Malawi), Malawi

Distance travelled: +/- 440 km

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

Leaving Zambia behind, we cross the border to Malawi. Please be patient as the border formalities may be lengthy. Lake Malawi formerly 'Lake Nyasa', covers almost a fifth of the country's area and provides the source of livelihood for many of the Malawian people. Fishermen, fish traders, canoe and net makers all ply their trade, and a common sight is that of a fisherman in his Bwato, (dugout canoe made from hollowed out tree trunk) fishing on the lake at the break of day or with lanterns by night. The lake also has the highest number of endemic freshwater fish species of any in the world and attracts divers globally to seek out the many colourful Cichlid species. We arrive at camp on the lake's shore in the afternoon and have the rest of the day to swim and explore the beach and surrounding area.

NB: Although it is our intention to adhere to the campsites described, a certain amount of flexibility is built into our time in Malawi and the crew may make alterations to the published itinerary. Please therefore treat the Malawi section of the dossier as a guideline only.

Accommodation: *Kande Beach (or similar)*

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** *Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities*
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** *Twin share rooms with shared facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

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

Optional Activities: *See day 26*

Day 26: Kande Beach (Lake Malawi)

Today you'll have some free time to try snorkelling or simply relax and enjoy the warm fresh waters of Lake Malawi. There is the opportunity to meet the local people, generally known as amongst the friendliest in Africa, to gain insight into their way of life on an optional guided Village Walk, or you can simply head out and explore the lakeside, craft market and meet some of the locals.

Accommodation: *Kande Beach (or similar)*

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** *Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities*
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** *Twin share rooms with shared facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

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

Optional Activities: *Village Walk, Snorkelling Trip, Canoe / Pedalo Hire*

Day 27: Kande Beach - Chitimba (Lake Malawi)

Distance travelled: +/- 240 km

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

Taking a nice scenic drive through rubber plantations to Mzuzu - the capital of the northern region and the third largest town in Malawi, where we stop for a short while to grab supplies and check out the markets before arriving to Chitimba Beach. Time is at leisure in the afternoon to take a leisurely village walk to a local craft market where you can enjoy learning the ins and outs of woodcarving your own souvenir, or learn to play the game of Bao, haggle for some souvenirs, or enjoy a game of beach volleyball and relax in the various lounge areas at this beach-side camp.

Accommodation: Chitimba Beach Camp (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Rustic twin share chalets with shared facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**Wi-Fi:** Yes (availability may change without notice)**Optional Activities:** Nil**Day 28: Chitimba - Iringa, Tanzania**

Distance travelled: +/- 500 km

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

Leaving Chitimba Beach, we travel the short distance north to cross the border into Tanzania. We steadily climb in altitude through Tanzania's Southern Highlands all the way to Kisolanza Farmhouse. The farm is at an altitude of 1600m ensuring a pleasant fresh climate in one of the most scenic areas of Tanzania. Home to the Ghau family for over 70 years, Kisolanza remains a working farm providing organic meat (beef, lamb, and chicken) and vegetables to the surrounding markets as well as further afield in Dar es Salaam.

Accommodation: Kisolanza Farmhouse (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with shared facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**Wi-Fi:** Yes (availability may change without notice)**Optional Activities:** Nil**Day 29: Iringa - Mikumi National Park Area**

Distance travelled: +/- 250 km

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

Leaving the Southern Highlands, we make our way east to Mikumi National Park. Our campsite is located a short stone's throw from the park, and we enjoy sundowners at the local bar/restaurant followed by the evening around the open fire under the blanket of stars. If time allows, we can go on an optional game drive in the afternoon to explore the magnificent park - Tanzania's 5th largest. Expect to see elephant, hippo, crocodile, antelope and with some luck some buffalo or lion.

Accommodation: Tan-Swiss Lodge (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**Wi-Fi:** Yes (availability may change without notice)**Optional Activities:** Game Drive**Day 30: Mikumi National Park Area - Dar es Salaam**

Distance travelled: +/- 330 km

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

We continue towards the Indian Ocean coast and the port city of Dar es Salaam ('Haven of Peace'). The route runs through the Mikumi National Park, and we may, with luck, spot forest elephant or giraffe feeding near the side of the road. 'Dar' is Tanzania's hub of commerce and industry - a hot, humid, and bustling seaport city of high rises, colourful markets and Arab influenced architecture on the coast accessing one of the most important sea routes on earth (with an interesting history too).

To most travellers, this city is the port of call to the more exotic Zanzibar and the remaining of the Archipelago islands. We set up camp at our campsite on the beach just outside of the city centre, usually having time to browse curio markets - best known for ebony wood - and prepare for our trip to Zanzibar.

Accommodation: Kipepeo Beach Village (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share chalets with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Nil

Day 31: Dar es Salaam - Zanzibar Island, Stone Town

Distance travelled: +/- 20 km & Zanzibar Ferry

Approx. driving time: 4 - 5 Hours including Zanzibar Ferry (excluding stops)

Evocative and exotic, Zanzibar conjures up images of idyllic, sandy, palm fringe beaches, romantic winding cobbled alleys and lush tropical forests. You will find all these here - and an intriguing history.

Zanzibar was the base of the great 19th century explorers such as John Hanning Speke, Richard Burton and David Livingstone and once was a major trading centre of spices. Indeed, the spice trade is centuries old: Zanzibaris have traded with the people of the Arabian Peninsula for generations, plying the ocean in simple dhow sailboats relying on the annual trade winds for passage. The Arab influence is evident in the architecture and diverse street stall offerings of the capital, Stone Town. This influence can be seen right along the Eastern coast - the Swahili language itself is a result of the mixing of Arab and African languages and cultures over many centuries. Zanzibar's other history is not romantic. The island was also a staging post for slaves bought from the African interior being held before shipping to slave owners in the Middle East. You can still see the places where these men and woman were held - and even a short visit is enough to convey the appalling conditions they had to endure.

Our time on the island over the next 4 nights is not structured and your time is at leisure. Perhaps the best way to see Stone Town is on foot: explore the bazaars for old maritime trinkets, cloths, wooden carvings, visit mosques, palaces, courtyards, and alleyways of the old town. Spices are grown in plantations nearby and you can take day tours to visit some and have your senses dazzled by the tastes and scents experienced. If it's white sand, sparkling ocean, and hot sun you prefer - head to the northern beaches and enjoy the Indian Ocean at its best. Try snorkelling and diving, indulge in some sumptuous seafood, or simply relax beneath a coconut palm with a cocktail and a good book.

NB: As we leave the Acacia vehicle on the mainland, basic tourist class accommodation and breakfast on Zanzibar are included in the tour price, but for the sake of flexibility other meals are left for your own account. Typically, we spend one night in Stone Town and the next three nights in the north of the island at one of the beaches. Your tour leader will be available to assist if you if you have any questions or need activities arranged.

Accommodation: Safari Lodge (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Twin / triple share rooms with en-suite facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin / triple share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast

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

Optional Activities: Spice Tour, Slave Markets, Arabic Fort, Palace Museum

NB: Some group members may be starting their tour in Dar es Salaam today.

Day 32: Zanzibar Island, Stone Town - Nungwi

Distance travelled: +/- 65 km

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

Enjoy free time on Zanzibar and transfer to the northern beaches from Stone Town. Relax on the sun kissed beaches of Nungwi, in the northern part of the island, take an optional diving trip to the rich colourful reefs or grab a snorkel and goggles to explore these from above.

Accommodation: Amaan Beach Bungalows (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Twin / triple share rooms with en-suite facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin / triple share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast is included with hotel accommodation

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

Optional Activities: Spice Tour, Scuba Diving, Yacht Trip, Snorkelling Safaris, Massages

Day 33: Zanzibar Island, Nungwi

Browse markets or enjoy hanging in a hammock with a cocktail and a good book. The beach is a great place to catch up with the locals who will pass by selling their wares, offering henna tattoos and inexpensive massages. Round the day off with a sunset dhow cruise or chilling to the tunes from the nearby beach bars.

Accommodation: Amaan Beach Bungalows (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Twin / triple share rooms with en-suite facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin / triple share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast is included with hotel accommodation

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

Optional Activities: See day 32

Day 34: Zanzibar Island, Nungwi

Adjusting to the lazy ways of the northern beaches is easy to do in such picturesque surroundings. Enjoy your last day on the island swimming in the warm ocean, snorkelling in the crystal turquoise waters and enjoy time at leisure in this tropical haven.

Accommodation: Amaan Beach Bungalows (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Twin / triple share rooms with en-suite facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin / triple share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast is included with hotel accommodation

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

Optional Activities: See day 32

Day 35: Zanzibar Island, Nungwi - Bagamoyo

Distance travelled: +/- 135 km & Zanzibar Ferry

Approx. driving time: 7 - 8 Hours including Zanzibar Ferry (excluding stops)

We have the morning to do any last-minute shopping or enjoy one last swim before catching the ferry back to the African mainland, Dar es Salaam and onwards to Bagamoyo for the evening. The quaint town of Bagamoyo was founded at the end of the 18th century and was one of the most significant trading ports along the East African coast. Our camp for the evening is situated close by to the palm fringed beaches of the Indian Ocean.

Accommodation: Firefly Camp (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with shared facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Nil

NB: Some group members may be ending their tour in Dar es Salaam today.

Day 36: Bagamoyo - Marangu

Distance travelled: +/- 500 km

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

Departing early from Bagamoyo, we head north past the Usambara and Pare Mountains in the Eastern Arc Mountain Range to Marangu, nestled at the base of the famed Kilimanjaro. The camp takes its name from the surrounding area. "Marangu" means "full of water" in the local Chagga language, and the lush green surroundings demonstrate the truth of this. If weather is clear we will gain a view of the magnificent snow-capped Mount Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest mountain (5895m).

Accommodation: Marangu Camp (or similar) - Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Nil

Day 37: Marangu - Arusha

Distance travelled: +/- 150 km

Approx. driving time: 3 - 4 Hours (excluding stops)

We drive past the town of Moshi and eventually reach Arusha; a city situated exactly mid-way between Cape Town and Cairo. This is Tanzania's 'safari capital', a city of some 2 million people, a bustling melting pot of markets, vehicles, and people - all nestling in the shadow of the brooding Mt Meru (4556 m). With time to explore town we head out to our camp just outside the city at the edge of the Maasai plains. This afternoon we enjoy a walk to one of the local Maasai villages, a local school and clinic, a small but highly interesting Maasai Museum, and the snake enclosure at the Meserani Snake Park. It is from here that we prepare for our two night / three-day excursion to the Serengeti National Park and the Ngorongoro Crater.

NB: We may enjoy the Maasai walk on day 40 if we are unable to make it today.

Accommodation: Meserani Snake Park (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Rustic twin share rooms with shared facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Camel Ride

Day 38: Arusha - Serengeti National Park

Distance travelled: +/- 300 km

Approx. driving time: Full day including game drives

This morning, we transfer to smaller more 'game park friendly' vehicles and drive west across the Great Rift Valley, passing through Mto Wa Mbo ('mosquito creek') and enter the Ngorongoro Crater Conservation Area.

We pass into the park and drive around the 'Crater's rim and down onto the Serengeti plains. Green after the rains, brown and burnt in the dry, this is home to an enormous variety of grazing animals, predators, and birdlife. Flatter and larger than the Masai Mara the Serengeti is simply huge - indeed the name derives from the Maasai word *Siringitu* - 'the place where the land moves on forever'. We game drive to our designated (but unfenced) campsite for the evening where lion and hyena roam nearby for an unforgettable experience.

Accommodation: Seronera Camp (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with very basic shared facilities (cold shower)
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Camping in twin share tents with very basic shared facilities (cold shower)

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Nil

Day 39: Ngorongoro Crater

Approx. driving time: Full day including game drives

We drive out of the plains, game driving en-route, and after lunch ascend the outer wall of the Ngorongoro Crater. We spend the night camping on the rim (you may need a jacket; it can be cold at night due to the high altitude here), where wildlife also roams free. At 326 square kilometres in area the Ngorongoro is Africa's largest intact caldera and a World Heritage Site. If the view from the rim (2400 metres above sea level) is spectacular, the site from the Crater floor (some 600 metres below) is equally enjoyable.

Accommodation: Simba Camp (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with very basic shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Camping in twin share tents with very basic shared facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Nil

Day 40: Ngorongoro Crater - Arusha

Distance travelled: +/- 150 km

Approx. driving time: Full day including morning game drive

We wake early and descend the steep dirt road of the Ngorongoro Crater for a morning of game driving in this spectacular wildlife haven. All the major mammals are present except giraffe (which cannot manage the steep slopes leading down onto the Crater floor). After our game drive we ascend to our campsite on the rim for a final view over the Ngorongoro Crater, pack up our camp and have lunch before retracing our steps to Arusha and our campsite at the Meserani Snake Park where we will overnight.

Accommodation: *Meserani Snake Park (or similar)*

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** *Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities*
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** *Rustic twin share rooms with shared facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner***Wi-Fi:** *No (availability may change without notice)***Optional Activities:** *See day 37***Day 41: Arusha - Nairobi, Kenya**

Distance travelled: +/- 290 km

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

After a last night in Tanzania, we make our way across the Masai Steppe to the Kenyan frontier. Completing formalities at Namanga border post, we drive the last stretch of road to Nairobi, Kenya's capital and to our accommodation.

Accommodation: *Hotel Boulevard (or similar)*

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** *Twin / triple share rooms with en-suite facilities*
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** *Twin / triple share rooms with en-suite 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 Nairobi today.***Day 42: Nairobi**

Today is free to explore the city and surrounding area and our Tour Leader can help you arrange these optional excursions locally. Popular excursions include catching a taxi into town to check out the shopping, markets, bars, and restaurants; Visit the National Museum of Kenya; chow down at Carnivore - a BBQ meat eater's paradise; go on safari at Nairobi National Park; Visit the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust Elephant Nursery, Giraffe Centre or check out the Karen Blixen Museum in the nearby town of Karen. Alternatively, the day is yours to simply relax and enjoy some 'downtime'.

Accommodation: *Hotel Boulevard (or similar)*

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** *Twin / triple share rooms with en-suite facilities*
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** *Twin / triple share rooms with en-suite facilities*

Meals Included: *Breakfast***Wi-Fi:** *Yes (availability may change without notice)***Optional Activities:** *SWT Elephant Nursery, Giraffe Centre, Karen Blixen Museum***Day 43: Nairobi - Lake Nakuru National Park**

Distance travelled: +/- 190 km

Approx. driving time: 4 - 5 Hours (excluding stops)

We depart Nairobi early and descend into the 'Great Rift Valley', an enormous cleft in the Earth's surface stretching from the Red Sea to Madagascar but with particularly marked escarpments here in Kenya. We stop at a lookout point to take in the magnificent views.

Our overnight stop is just outside Lake Nakuru National Park, a relatively small park (by African standards) however prolific in wildlife, sited on the Great Rift Valley floor. The shallow soda lake attracts a huge variety of birdlife - especially flamingos, which may gather in such numbers that (when viewed from above) they form a strikingly pink 'fringe' around the lakeshore.

However, Lake Nakuru is not simply a bird sanctuary, it is also home to buffalo, lion, rhino (black and white), leopard, warthog, baboon, antelope, and a variety of smaller animals. A delightful introduction to East Africa's wildlife diversity that we search for in an afternoon game drive making use of local guides and smaller safari vehicles for a more intimate experience.

Accommodation: Punda Mili Camp (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with shared facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Nil

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

Day 44: Lake Nakuru - Eldoret

Distance travelled: +/- 150 km

Approx. driving time: 3 - 4 Hours (excluding stops)

From Nakuru we continue northwest and climb in altitude towards the town of Eldoret en-route to the Ugandan frontier.

We cross from the Southern Hemisphere to the Northern Hemisphere today over the Equator, enjoying some time here learning a little about its significance and taking photos before moving onwards to Eldoret. The name 'Eldoret' is based on the Maasai word 'Eldore' meaning stony river due to the stony bed of the nearby Sosiani River. The town is the 5th largest in Kenya and is the fastest growing with a population of approx. 194,000. We camp outside of the town in a unique campsite created on a hilly forest tribal land, which was once home to members of the ancient Sirikwa tribe. Preserved on the site are excavations with stone sides, commonly called Sirikwa holes, which are believed to have been roofed and occupied by the inhabitants of a bygone age.

Accommodation: Naiberi River Campsite & Resort (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Nil

Day 45: Eldoret - Kampala, Uganda

Distance travelled: +/- 400 km

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

We cross into Uganda, Winston Churchill's 'Pearl of Africa', a country with beautiful natural scenery and a rich mosaic of tribes and cultures. Travelling through Uganda you will be captivated by its sheer overwhelming beauty and friendly people. Our first night we camp in the capital city Kampala, which is an attractive hilly city, bustling with roadside traders, markets and busy matatu (mini-bus taxi) stands.

Accommodation: Red Chilli Hideaway (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with shared facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Nil

Day 46: Kampala - Chimpanzee Trekking Area

Distance travelled +/- 400 km

Approx. driving time: 9 - 10 hours (excluding stops)

From Kampala, we travel west crossing the Equator again, through fertile green terraced hillsides, lush banana plantations, steep mountains, and tangled forests. From the Acacia vehicle we should see herds of Ankole cattle with their incredible long curving horns roaming the roads and paddocks. Arriving at our accommodation you will have the opportunity to relax and unwind, take a walk in the surrounding areas, and mingle with the local community.

Accommodation: Craters Campsite & Country Lodge or Simba Safari Camp (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** 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 Kampala today.

Day 47: Kalinzu Forest or Kyambura Gorge

Distance travelled +/- 50 km (each way)

Approx. driving time: 1 - 2 Hours (each way / excluding stops and trekking)

This morning, we trek to see the chimpanzees. Unlike their larger cousins, the mountain gorilla, chimps live mostly in the trees and so our viewing consists mainly of peering high into the forest canopy. Predictably, the experience of seeing man's closest relative in the wild is a memorable one. Chimpanzee Trek permits are issued by the wildlife authority in small groups. Depending on our group size, we may trek on the afternoon of day 46, morning of day 47 and afternoon of day 47 or morning of day 48.

Accommodation: Craters Campsite & Country Lodge or Simba Safari Camp (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Nil

Day 48: Chimpanzee Trekking Area - Lake Bunyonyi

Distance travelled +/- 200 km

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

We leave the picturesque hills and make our way to the lush and stunning 'Lake Bunyonyi' ('Place of many little birds'). This lake is 27 km long, 7km wide and at an elevation of 1950 metres above sea level is surrounded by undulating hills between 2200m to 2478 m high. With a depth of nearly 900m in parts this lake is the second deepest lake in Africa (the deepest being Lake Tanganyika in Tanzania). With twenty-nine islands that can be visited by local boats, the lake is a great place to unwind, relax and explore on the days that we don't trek to see the mountain gorillas. Over the next two days the group will be split with one group trekking to the mountain gorillas while the others relax at Lake Bunyonyi to enjoy the many activities on offer.

Lake Bunyoni

There are many activities to do here such as hiring canoes to visit some of the lake's islands, visit local tribes and villages, visit the local orphanage, bird watching and nature walks. Alternatively, just relax around camp, catch up on your travel diary or postcards to home.

Mountain Gorilla Trekking

This region of Africa is home to the world's remaining 700 free-roaming mountain gorillas, many of which inhabit the Bwindi Impenetrable National Park.

On the day of our trek, we gather in the early morning to meet our local guide and tracker. Walking in small groups we trek into the thick rainforest. The trek can be demanding at times with uneven terrain and hilly rainforest but the privilege of spending time with a family of these gentle primates makes the effort well worthwhile. To many people the day's trek and time with the gorillas remains their most exciting wildlife encounter in Africa.

The usual procedure, once we have located the gorilla 'family', is to squat or sit down and simply observe them for around an hour - the time set by the Uganda Wildlife Authority (the national body charged with controlling and maintaining the gorillas in Uganda). Gorillas are sociable creatures, living in groups between 12 and 20 individuals, usually led by an 'alpha male' (the 'silverback' - so called because of the silver hair on his back which grows once the male gorilla attains maturity). Most people find that the gorillas are remarkably human-like at close quarters - particularly in the social interaction between family members and in 'play' activity in which the young engage. Photography is permitted (although not with a flash and there are restrictions for those who wish to use a video camera). Your permit allows you one trek and gorilla viewing (time limited to one hour). However, because the authorities maintain strict limits on the number of visitors allowed to view the gorillas each day, we may spend several days in the area while all passengers in our group complete the trek and viewing.

NB: Depending on the availability of the gorilla permits the tour itinerary may vary in day to day running order in relation to the brochure itinerary. From time to time, we may have to trek on different days. Please take the itinerary as a guideline only. **This applies to day 48 - 50 of this tour.**

Accommodation: Lake Bunyonyi Overland Stop (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: See day 49

Day 49: Lake Bunyonyi or Gorilla Trekking

Distance travelled +/- 80 km (each way)

Approx. driving time: 2 - 3 Hours (each way / excluding stops and trekking)

If not trekking, today is free to explore the surrounding area, discover the Islands by boat on Lake Bunyonyi or relax back at camp catching up on some well-deserved rest and relaxation.

Accommodation: Lake Bunyonyi Overland Stop (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Island Boat Trips, Village Walk, Traditional Dance, Bird Watching, Canoe Hire

Day 50: Lake Bunyonyi or Gorilla Trekking

Distance travelled +/- 80 km (each way)

Approx. driving time: 2 - 3 Hours (each way / excluding stops and trekking)

Today is a trek day or a day at leisure to enjoy the many optional activities in Lake Bunyonyi. Whether relaxing on the shores of this deep crater lake with a good book or heading out to the village and orphanage to gain an insight into the everyday life of Ugandans in this area - you'll no doubt wish you could stay in this beautiful part of Africa for longer.

Accommodation: Lake Bunyonyi Overland Stop (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: See day 49

Day 51: Lake Bunyonyi - Kampala

Distance travelled +/- 550 km

Approx. driving time: 11 - 12 Hours (excluding stops)

From Lake Bunyonyi we make our way back across the Equator (stopping for a photo if we have not done so previously) through lush pasture lands and the northern reaches of Lake Victoria (Africa's largest lake) to Kampala where we will overnight. Kampala is a hotspot for great food and entertainment. If time allows, go out to enjoy the nightlife, try the local cuisines and enjoy the hospitality and friendliness of the local Ugandans.

Accommodation: Red Chilli Hideaway (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with shared facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Nil

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

Day 52: Kampala - Jinja

Distance travelled +/- 80 km

Approx. driving time: 3 - 4 Hours (excluding stops)

Leaving Kampala, we drive the short distance to the town of Jinja on the banks of Lake Victoria and the Nile.

It was in 1862 that the British explorer John Hanning Speke recognised Lake Victoria as the 'source of the Nile' settling a long running dispute about Africa's (and the world's) longest river. From this modest monument the Nile begins its 4132-mile course through Uganda, Sudan and eventually Egypt to the Mediterranean Sea. Our camp is situated on the grassy banks overlooking the Nile River. It is here that we usually have the option to try river rafting - an exciting day out for those enjoying the thrill of 'white-water'. There is also the opportunity to make some difference to local children at a local school project: 'Softpower' is a locally run voluntary programme aimed at building and improving schools in the Jinja area to which your contribution of a few hours of painting or plastering is always most welcome. Other activities at Jinja include mountain biking, quad biking, village walks and even Nile cruises!

Accommodation: Nile River Explorers (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: See day 53

Day 53: Jinja

Enjoy a free day in this magical place and the many optional activities on offer. Adrenaline lovers can head to the world class rapids and try rafting - an exciting day out for those enjoying the thrill of 'white-water'. Those seeking a more relaxing day can visit the local community or simply just relax at camp.

Accommodation: Nile River Explorers (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Quad Biking, White-Water Rafting, Community School Project, Nile River Cruise, Nile SUP, Kayak, Fishing Trips, Mountain Biking

Day 54: Jinja

Enjoy a last day on the banks of the Nile exploring the surrounding community, the town of Jinja and discover the beauty of the river Nile as you relax on its banks or indulge in the many optional activities on offer.

Accommodation: Nile River Explorers (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: See day 53

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

Day 55: Jinja - Eldoret, Kenya

Distance travelled: +/- 300 km

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

After our refreshing stop at Jinja, we retrace our steps across the border to the Kenya's frontier and onwards to Eldoret, where we will camp for the evening. Tonight, you can celebrate the last evening of your Gorilla Encounter with your fellow travellers and exchange stories, emails, and laughter around the campfire one last time.

Accommodation: Naiberi River Campsite & Resort (or similar)

- **Camping Tour (GAA56):** Camping in twin share tents with shared facilities
- **Accommodated Tour (GAA56A):** Twin share rooms with en-suite facilities

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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

Optional Activities: Nil

Day 56: Eldoret - Nairobi

Distance travelled: +/- 250 km

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

This morning, we make our way south to the Capital city 'Nairobi' where our incredible tour ends in the late afternoon.

Accommodation: Nil

Meals Included: Breakfast

Wi-Fi: N/A

Optional Activities: Nil

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:** Dinner in Windhoek, lunches, and dinners in Swakopmund, Livingstone, Nairobi, and on Zanzibar are not included.

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).

**ACTIVITIES &
EXCURSIONS:**

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.

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.

**GORILLA &
CHIMPANZEE TREK:**

Depending on the availability of the chimpanzee and gorilla permits the tour itinerary may vary in day to day running order which is based on the brochure itinerary. From time to time, we may have to trek on different days. If at any chance our Gorilla trek should be in another neighbouring country, e.g., Rwanda (instead of Uganda) this may entail extra visa fees although we shall endeavour to advise you before departure of any significant changes to the tour itinerary. Please take the above itinerary as a guideline only. **This applies to day 48 - 50 of this tour.**

ACCOMMODATION:

Camping Tour (GAA56): 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 (GAA56A): 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 and fast ferry. Acacia vehicle changes may occur on this route. 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.

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. Cape Town (CPT) and Nairobi (NBO) are well served by several airlines. Your travel agent can advise on flights to and from the start and finish of your tour.

GORILLA AND CHIMPANZEE PERMITS

The Uganda Wildlife Authority imposes strict regulations regarding the gorilla trekking permits. One of these is that permits must be booked and paid in advance. In order for us to do this we must collect your permit money, in addition to your normal deposit, at the time of booking. Like your deposit, the permit money is not refundable if you cancel your tour. Please ask your agent or Acacia for the equivalent amount in your own currency. Please note: To ensure we obtain gorilla permits we may have to adjust the itinerary slightly from the published route. Any such adjustment will be explained to you where-ever possible before you leave for Africa. Our focus at all times will be to ensure everyone has the opportunity to do the treks and enjoy the very Africa experience.

JOINING INFORMATION

This tour starts in **Cape Town**. The pre-departure meeting is held at 18:00 on the evening prior to departure. The tour departs at 08:00 on Day 1 and ends in Nairobi on Day 56.

Meeting point in Cape Town Address: Cresta Grande 66 Strand St, Cape Town City Centre Contact details: +27 21 431 7500 reservations@crestagrandehotel.com Tour start time: 08:00 on Day 1	Tour end point in Nairobi: Address: Hotel Boulevard Harry Thuku Rd, Nairobi Contact details: +254 722 200755 +254 733 623727 +254 20 2227568 reservation@hotelboulevard.co.ke Tour end time: Late afternoon/ early evening on Day 56
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PRE TOUR ACCOMMODATION

This tour departs Cape Town 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.

NB: KENYA PLASTIC BAG BAN - All forms of plastic carrier bags are banned in Kenya; including 'Airport Duty Free' plastic bags, airport security plastic bags for liquids, shopping bags, storage bags, zip-lock plastic bags. The strict ban applies to everyone, and it is mandatory that you leave any form of plastic bag/s at your country of origin.

NB: TANZANIA AND UGANDA PLASTIC BAG BAN - Both Uganda and Tanzania have a ban on single-use plastic. Prohibited items include single-use plastic carrier bags, shopping bags/packing plastic carrier bags. Ziplock bags and storage compartment bags (e.g., toiletries) will be permitted as they are expected to remain in possession of traveller. We do however suggest that you leave these items behind in your country of origin.

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
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
Malawi	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	C	R
Tanzania	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	C	R
Kenya	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	C	R
Uganda	R	R	R	R	R	R	-	R	C	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
South Africa	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
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
Malawi	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tanzania	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kenya	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Uganda	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	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.

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.

MALAWI E-VISA

Most nationalities requiring a visa can obtain one on arrival. Alternatively, apply for an e-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 www.evisa.gov.mw for more information.

TANZANIA

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://visa.immigration.go.tz> for more information.

ZANZIBAR Mandatory Inbound Travel Insurance

All nationalities must purchase the Mandatory Inbound Travel Insurance from the Zanzibar Insurance Corporation (ZIC) online in advance of arrival. Please see <https://visitzanzibar.go.tz> for more information.

KENYA Electronic Travel Authorisation (eTA)

All nationalities are required to apply for an Electronic Travel Authorisation (eTA) online in advance of arrival. **NB:** Online applications can take up to 7 days to process, please allow sufficient time as delays may occur. Please see www.etakenya.go.ke/en for more information.

UGANDA E-VISA

All nationalities must apply for an e-visa online in advance of arrival. **NB:** Online applications can take up to 7 days to process, please allow sufficient time as delays may occur. Please see <https://visas.immigration.go.ug> 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 Spending money is best carried as cash. South African Rand can be used throughout South Africa & 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: South Africa - Rand; Namibia - Namibian Dollar; Botswana - Botswana Pula; Zambia - Zambian Kwacha; Malawi - Malawi Kwacha; Tanzania - Tanzania Schilling; Kenya - Kenya Schilling; Uganda - Uganda Schilling. Please note that Rand is legal tender in Namibia at the same rate of exchange as the Namibian Dollar.

ATM machines are found in Southern Africa, Lilongwe, Dar es Salaam, Zanzibar, Arusha and Nairobi 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 several 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).

56 DAY**CAPE TOWN TO GORILLAS (26GAA56/A)****Adventure Camping & Accommodated Tour Dossier**

Activity	Price (USD)	Activity	Price (USD)
SOUTH AFRICA		MALAWI	
Cederberg Region		Kande Beach	
Wine Tasting	\$10	Village Walk	\$10
Gariep (Orange) River		Snorkelling Day Trips	From \$20
Canoe Safari	\$40	Canoe / Pedalo Hire	From \$15
NAMIBIA		TANZANIA	
Swakopmund		Mikumi National Park	
Desert Excursion Walk	\$25	Game Drive	\$150
Sand Boarding - Stand Up	\$50	Zanzibar	
Sand Boarding - Lay Down	\$40	Massages (on the beach)	From \$20
Quad Biking	\$45	Yacht Trips (snorkelling and sunset)	\$120
Kayaking	\$60	Snorkelling Day Trip	\$40
Deep Sea Fishing	\$120	Zanzibar Food (per day)	\$30 - \$35
Scenic Flights	\$360	Spice Tour	\$35
Tandem Skydive	\$200	Scuba Dive	\$130
Swakopmund Township Tour	\$40	Slave Markets	\$10
Dolphin and Seal Cruise	\$60	Arabic Fort	\$5
BOTSWANA		Palace Museum	\$10
Maun		Arusha	
Okavango Scenic Flight (5-seater plane - 45min flight)	From \$650	Camel Ride	\$5
Okavango Scenic Helicopter Flight (3-seater - 22min flight)	From \$450	KENYA	
Elephant Sands		Nairobi	
Bush Walk	\$20	SWT Elephant Nursery (+ Nairobi NP Entrance Fee)	\$20 + \$43
Game Drive	\$25	Giraffe Centre	\$10
ZAMBIA		Karen Blixen Museum	\$20
Livingstone		UGANDA	
Vic Falls Bungee (single/tandem)	\$160	Lake Bunyonyi	
Mosi Oa Tunya National Park Game Walk	\$110	Boating on the Lake (islands)	\$25 - \$80
Chief Mukumi Village Tour	\$50	Village Walk/Nature Walk	\$10
Gorge Swing	\$95	Traditional Dance	\$60
Zambezi Jet Boating & Cable Car	From \$215	Bird Watching	\$20
Half Day Canoe Safari	\$115	Canoe Hire	\$10
Zambezi Sunset Cruise	\$70	Jinja	
White-Water Rafting - Full Day	\$180	Quad Biking	\$85
Helicopter/Microlight Flight over the Falls	From \$185	Nile SUP	From \$20
Fishing - Half Day	\$145	Fishing Trips	From \$80
Bridge Tour	\$65	Kayak	From \$20
Full Day Abseil	\$190	Mountain Biking	From \$30
South Luangwa National Park		White-water Rafting	\$160
Village Tour	\$35	Community Schools Project	\$50
Walking Safari	\$65		
Game Drives	From \$60		

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.

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QUALITY & PROTECTION

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BLOG:	Follow our blog at http://acacia-africa.com/blog and get regular updates from our crew on the road as well as other Acacia Travellers.
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