

VICTORIA FALLS TO NAIROBI: 22 Days | DTN(A)VN – Accommodated & Camping

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Partaking in an adventure tour in Africa involves covering hundreds if not thousands of kilometres and our tours are as much about this journey as they are about the destinations we visit. Use your time during these drives to talk to your fellow travellers, have a drink and take note of the world passing by your window. Some roads you travel on will be smooth and easy while others could take up to an hour to cover 1 kilometre. There is just no telling what could happen with road, weather, traffic and other conditions that may exist that will either increase or decrease the amount of time you spend on the road so take your watch off, put your iPad away, turn off your phone and just relax. An average day could take anything from 5 to 14 hours, it all depends on the day... and that's only an "average"!

Tour departure point

Please ensure you arrive at the departure point at least 30 minutes before the scheduled departure time.

07:00am Victoria Falls Waterfront, Livingstone, Zambia

Tel: +260 973 403 270 <https://safpar.com/lodges/victoria-falls-waterfront/>

Tour ending point

Hotel Boulevard, Harry Thuku Rd, Kenya, Nairobi

Tel: +254 722 200 755 <https://www.hotelboulevard.co.ke/>

Maximum Number of Passengers

20

After hours emergency contact

Our reservations staff are available to receive emergency calls. We would like to request that you respect this emergency number and use it only in the event of emergencies. Please only contact this number if, for example, you have missed your incoming flight, you cannot find your airport transfer or you are running late for your tour departure.

If calling from outside South Africa: 0027 82 578 2199

If calling within South Africa: 082 578 2199

Arrival / Departure

Please be sure to arrive 1 day before your tour is due to depart. This will avoid any unforeseen problems. We also highly recommend that you book your flights to depart the day after the tour officially ends to allow for delays and changes.

Pre and Post Tour Accommodation

If you require accommodation before or after your tour we can arrange this for you. We can also arrange airport transfers – contact your travel agent to make these bookings.

What's included

All meals which are prepared and served at the overland truck / accommodation / qualified crew / filtered water / transport in the overland truck / included highlights as per the itinerary / entrance fees to National Parks.

What's excluded

Items of a personal nature (snacks, alcohol, soft drinks, tips) / entrance fees (associated with optional activities / souvenirs and optional activities

Countries Visited

Zambia, Malawi, Tanzania, Kenya

Onward Travel

This tour can be linked with a number of our other tours that cover Namibia, Botswana and the Masai Mara & Gorillas. If you are interested to enhance your tour further, please contact us to receive a list of all the available options to suite your time frame and budget.

TOUR ITINERARY

Day 1 – Livingstone - Chirundu

Setting off early from the Zambian side of Victoria Falls, we catch a last sighting of the mighty falls before we head off on a long day travelling. We get our first impressions of East Africa through the window of our truck: colourful markets, busy villages and rural scenes form the backdrop of our journey as we travel through Zambia. We enjoy a prepared meal on arrival as our guides brief us on the days ahead.

Accommodation	Gwabi River Lodge https://www.gwabiriverlodge.com/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Livingstone to Chirundu
Meals	Lunch, Dinner

Day 2 – Chirundu

As our lodge is situated along the banks of the Kafue River, today is free for you to participate in some of the activities on offer. Fishing on the Zambezi River is one of the most popular activities, or book a full day safari experience in the Lower Zambezi National Park. Other optional activities include a river safari, birding and an excursion to the baobab forest and bat cave.

Accommodation	Gwabi River Lodge https://www.gwabiriverlodge.com/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Optional Activities	Fishing, Birding, Baobab forest & bat cave, Lower Zambezi National Park game drive, River Safari

Day 3 - Petauke

This morning we drive through Zambia's busy capital Lusaka before turning east towards Petauke, our destination for the night. As an important link between Lusaka and neighbouring Malawi, the Great East Road winds through rural Zambia and we will cross the mighty Luangwa River along the way. Dotted with villages and subsistence farms, today's landscapes serve as a stark contrast to the developed countries so many of us call home. We make a delightful stop at Luangwa Market, a bustling hub where local Zambian vendors showcase their wares. Among the treasures on display are masau and masaku, delectable fruits that are available year-round and renowned for their mouth-watering taste. In addition, other African curios catch our eye, from charming miniature hippos to intricately woven baskets and papyrus carpets, adding to the colourful tapestry of this vibrant marketplace.

Accommodation	Chimwemwe Executive Lodge http://www.chimwemwelodge.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Chirundu to Petauke
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Market visit

Day 4 - South Luangwa National Park

We look forward to the tranquillity of South Luangwa and this morning we make our way to the banks of the Luangwa River. We make a stop at Mulberry Mongoose to view their local jewellery and curios, these accessories are hand crafted by local ladies from South Luangwa using organic materials originating from the African bush. The Chipata area is a major producer of cotton and we get a taste of the creativity of the African culture. One of the finest sunsets is surely that enjoyed on the banks of the Luangwa River, so grab a cold drink and watch the day fade away.

Accommodation	Wildlife Camp http://www.wildlifecamp-zambia.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per permanent tent with en-suite bathroom Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Petauke to South Luangwa National Park
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight	Mulberry Mongoose Curio Visit

Day 5 - South Luangwa National Park

South Luangwa National Park is a world-class safari destination and we have a full day to explore the park in search of the variety of wildlife found in the park. This morning you can partake in an optional morning safari or during the dry season (April to December) you can join one of the iconic walking safaris on offer in the park. This afternoon we will enjoy a sunset drive in the park including a sundowner stop. The unique opportunity to explore the park at night gives us a chance to spot the elusive nocturnal species that are rarely seen in the day.

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Facilities	Accommodated: Two per Permanent tent with en-suite bathroom

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Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight Sunset Game Drive in South Luangwa National Park
Optional Activity Safari Walk (seasonal) or Morning Game Drive in South Luangwa

Day 6 - Lake Malawi

This morning we board our truck and set off for Malawi, the warm heart of Africa. Our destination tonight is the shores of Lake Malawi, the southernmost lake in the East African Rift system. As one of the ten largest lakes in the world, the lake stretches for over 500km along the western boundary of Malawi and is home to more species of fish than any other lake. We spend the night on the shores of the lake this natural wonder.

Accommodation Ngala Beach Lodge <http://www.ngalabeach.com/>
Facilities **Accommodated:** Two per room with en-suite bathroom
Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions
Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.
Route South Luangwa National Park to Lake Malawi
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Border Post Zambia: Chipata / Nwami, Tel: + 265 622 1652, Open: 06h00-18h00
Malawi: Mchinji, Tel: +265 124 2217, Open: 06h00-18h00

Day 7 - Lake Malawi

Today is all about the lake and this day is set aside for you to relax at the lake. Use the time to read a book, soak up the sun or indulge in the many attractions that are on offer. If you wish, an optional hike can be done with a local guide to the nearby Dwanbazi Waterfall. Located a short 30-minute drive from Ngala Beach Hotel, the waterfall offers a breath-taking panorama from the summit. Depending on the weather, we may even have the opportunity to take a refreshing swim in the pristine waters surrounded by the lush greenery and natural splendour of the surrounding landscape.

Accommodation Ngala Beach Lodge <http://www.ngalabeach.com/>
Facilities **Accommodated:** Two per room with en-suite bathroom
Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions
Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Optional Activity Waterfall Hike

Day 8 - Lake Malawi

Today we are back on the road for most of the day travelling further north and will overnight once again on the banks of Lake Malawi. Our overland guide will lead us on a village walk through a nearby village in the afternoon. After the walk, enjoy the sunset over the lake from the beach.

Accommodation Chitimba <https://edpeeters.wixsite.com/chitimbacamp>
Facilities **Accommodated:** Two per room with en-suite bathroom
Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions
Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.
Route Central Lake Malawi to North Lake Malawi
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight Village Walk with overland Tour Leader

Day 9 - Mbega

We depart this morning and continue north, heading for the Utengule Coffee Lodge where we will overnight.

Accommodation Utengule Coffee Lodge <https://www.utengule.com/>
Facilities **Accommodated:** Two per room with en-suite bathroom
Camping: Shared bungalow with shared ablutions
Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Border Post Malawi: Songwe (no telephone), Open: 06h00-18h00
Tanzania (Kasumulu border): Chi'zumulu, Tel: +265 15 357 207, Open: 06h00-18h00

Day 10 - Tanzania – Iringa

Before heading to Iringa, we will make a stop at a local coffee plantation where we have the opportunity to see the process of growing and harvesting coffee beans and will be able to sample some of the beans. We then ascend the Great Rift Valley and make our way further into Tanzania.

Accommodation Kisolanza Farm <http://www.kisolanza.com>
Facilities **Accommodated:** Two per room with en-suite bathroom
Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions
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Route Northern Lake Malawi to Iringa

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Included Highlight	Morning Coffee Plantation Tour
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 11 - Mikumi

This morning we complete our journey to the doorstep of Mikumi National Park. We have a quick stop at the Baobab Valley, Tanzania. A mesmerizing landscape dotted with ancient, towering baobab trees that have stood the test of time. These iconic trees create a surreal and breath-taking scene, casting dramatic shadows against the African savannah, the perfect backdrop to stop for a group picture. We then reach Mikumi, which ranks as the fourth largest park in Tanzania, but forms part of a 75 000 square kilometre wilderness that centres on Selous, Africa's largest game reserve. Today you will have the opportunity to book a game drive in Mikumi National Park.

Accommodation	Camp Bastian http://www.campbastian.com/ OR Mantis https://www.mantislodge.co.tz/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Iringa to Mikumi
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Optional Activity	Mikumi Game Drive

Day 12 – Dar es Salaam

We overnight in Dar es Salaam before an early start the following morning to catch our ferry to Zanzibar Island.

Accommodation	Kariakoo Sleep-Inn http://www.sleepinnhoteltz.com/en/kariakoo/index
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Two per Room with En-Suite Bathroom <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Mikumi to Dar es Salaam
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch

Day 13 – Stone Town (Zanzibar)

We head out early to catch our ferry to Zanzibar Island from Dar es Salaam. After arriving at the ferry port we make our way to our hotel located in Stone Town.

Accommodation	Paradise Inn https://iparadiseinn.com/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Two per Room with En-Suite Bathroom <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Dar es Salaam to Stone Town (Zanzibar)
Meals	Breakfast
Included highlight	Zanzibar Excursion

Day 14 – Zanzibar Beaches

Boasting a rich history this busy port was once a landmark on both the Slave and Spice trade routes. Our morning begins with a walking tour of Stone Town to discover the more well known landmarks, including the birthplace of Freddy Mercury. After our city tour, we travel by road to our base for the next 2 nights. Before our arrival, we will stop along the way to enjoy a guided walking spice tour, which passes through villages and spice plantations. You will be able to witness first-hand how spice farm workers climb the trees and seek out specific plants and will have the opportunity to purchase fresh spices directly from these farms.

Accommodation	Zanzibar Bay https://www.hotelzanzibar.com/zanzibar-bay-resort/ OR Paradise Beach https://www.hotelzanzibar.com/paradise-beach-resort/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Two per room with en-suite bathroom <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Route	Stone Town to Marumbi
Included Highlight	Stone Town walking city tour, Spice Tour

Day 15 – Zanzibar Beaches

Today is a free day to enjoy some of the many attractions and activities on offer. Water sports are the order of the day. Whatever it is you chose to do today, you will have ample opportunity to create some island memories. Explore the many attractions on offer or simply relax on the beach and soak up the sun.

Accommodation	Zanzibar Bay https://www.hotelzanzibar.com/zanzibar-bay-resort/ OR Paradise Beach https://www.hotelzanzibar.com/paradise-beach-resort/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Two per Room with en-suite bathroom <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>

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Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 16 - Bagamoyo

We bid farewell to the island and board our return ferry, on arrival back at the Dar es Salaam port, we reunite with our truck and return to Bagamoyo where we spend the night.

Accommodation FireFly Lodge <https://www.fireflybagamoyo.com/>
Facilities **Accommodated:** Two per room with en-suite bathroom
Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions
Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.
Route Zanzibar to Dar es Salaam by ferry; Dar es Salaam to Bagamoyo
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 17 - Arusha

Heading north this morning we travel across the northern reaches of Tanzania, our destination tonight is the bustling town of Arusha. Northern Tanzania is home to the Serengeti, Ngorongoro and Kilimanjaro.

Accommodation Njiro Legacy www.njirolegacy.com
Facilities **Accommodated:** Two per room with en-suite bathroom
Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions
Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.
Route Bagamoyo to Arusha
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 18 - Karatu

Although it is short distance to Karatu, we will spend most of the day commuting closer to the Ngorongoro Crater. Before our arrival in Karatu, we will visit the Mto wa Mbu Market which is situated in the little village of Mto wa Mbu. Known for crops such as rice and their distinctive red bananas, the town sits on the main road that leads directly to the Serengeti National Park and the Ngorongoro Crater Conversation Area. Tonight, our guide will brief us on our 2-night excursion.

Accommodation Kudu Camp <http://kuducamp.com/>
Facilities **Accommodated:** Two per room with en-suite bathroom
Camping: Campsite with Shared Ablutions
Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.
Route Arusha to Karatu
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight Mto wa Mbu Market

Day 19 - Ngorongoro Crater & Serengeti National Park (Seronera) Excursion

We rise early and will be collected from our camp and transferred to the Ngorongoro Crater in 4x4 safari type vehicles. We will spend the morning exploring the crater floor in search of the animals which roam the plains. In the afternoon, we will arrive at our camp in the Seronera region located in the heart of the Serengeti National Park. The camp is surrounded by spectacular views and abundant wildlife and this evening, while sipping on a cold beverage, we will enjoy the sights and sounds of nature passing right in front of your meru style tent.

Accommodation Seronera Private Tented Camp <http://www.kanangaspecialtentedcamp.com/> OR Serengeti Wilderness Camp Central <https://serengetiwildernesscamps.com/camps/serengeti-wilderness-camp/>
Facilities **Accommodated:** Two per permanent tent with en-suite bathroom
Camping: Two per permanent tent with en-suite bathroom
Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.
Route Karatu to Seronera via Ngorongoro Crater
Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Included Highlight Full day 4x4 excursion to Ngorongoro Crater and afternoon drive into Seronera

Day 20 - Serengeti

This morning we rise early to enjoy a full day's game drive through Serengeti National Park. Famous for the abundant wildlife that exists in the park, we will spend most of our day in search of the animals that reside here.

Accommodation Seronera Private Tented Camp <http://www.kanangaspecialtentedcamp.com/> OR Serengeti Wilderness Camp Central <https://serengetiwildernesscamps.com/camps/serengeti-wilderness-camp/>
Facilities **Accommodated:** Two per permanent tent with en-suite bathroom
Camping: Two per permanent tent with en-suite bathroom
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Meals Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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Route	Seronera
Included Highlight	Full day game Drive through Seronera, Serengeti National Park
Optional Activity	Hot Air Balloon Safari (pre-booking required, subject to availability & weather conditions)

Day 21 - Arusha

We depart the Serengeti National Park with amazing memories, and make the return journey to Arusha where we will spend the night reminiscing about our experiences of the Serengeti and Ngorongoro Crater.

Accommodation	Njiro Legacy www.njirolegacy.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Seronera (Serengeti National Park) to Arusha
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 22 - Kenya – Nairobi

We cross the border into Kenya this morning and make our way to Nairobi where our journey ends on arrival.

Accommodation	Own Arrangements / Post tour accommodation can be booked through your agent.
Route	Arusha to Nairobi
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch
Border Post	Tanzania: Namanga, no telephone number, Open: 24hrs Kenya: Namanga, Tel: +254 455 32002, Open: 24 hrs