

DISCOVER MOZAMBIQUE 2019: 14 Days | Johannesburg to Johannesburg Camping or Accommodated

Meals Included on Tour

Day	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	TOT
Breakfast		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	13
Lunch	-	-	✓	✓	-	-	-	✓	-	✓	-	✓	✓	-	6
Dinner	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	12

TOUR ITINERARY

Day 1 – Johannesburg to Kruger National Park

Leaving the city of Johannesburg behind us we make our way east through the coalfields of Mpumalanga. Our journey today follows in the footsteps of the old trade-routes to the Lowveld and the Kruger National Park. This afternoon there will be an opportunity to join an optional sundowner drive. Booking is essential and your guide can assist on departure this morning.

Accommodation	Nkambeni Reserve http://www.nkambeni.com
Facilities	Accommodated: 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	Johannesburg to Kruger National Park
Optional Activity	Sundowner Drive (Subject to Availability)

Day 2 - Kruger National Park

Rising early this morning we enter the Kruger National Park to enjoy a full-day of game viewing. The abundance of wildlife presents us with opportunities for excellent sightings, while the Kruger is also home to the famed members of Africa's Big-5. Our activity package offers the added excitement of experiencing the park from an open-sided 4x4 vehicle. This evening there is a second opportunity for the optional Sundowner Drive.

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Facilities	Accommodated: 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>
Included Highlight	Kruger Park Full-Day Game Drive in tour truck (Clients not doing the Activity Package)
Activity Package	Kruger Park Full-Day Game Drive in 4x4 Vehicles (Clients doing the Activity Package)
Optional Activity	Sundowner Drive (Subject to Availability)

Day 3 – Panorama Route

While those who elect to do the optional morning walk will have an earlier start, we set out a little later today and travel the short distance to the Panorama Route. Strung along the escarpment that divides the central plateau and low-lying bushveld of the Kruger, the sights of the Panorama Route offer us a day of scenic delights. We will visit the highlights of Bourke's Luck Potholes, the Three Rondavels and God's Window before returning to camp in the late afternoon.

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Included Highlight	Panorama Route – Bourke's Luck Potholes, Three Rondavels and God's Window
Optional Activity	Morning Bush Walk (Subject to Availability)

Day 4 – Maputo, Mozambique

With the beaches of the Indian Ocean beckoning we enter Mozambique and make our first stop in Maputo, the capital city offers a vibrant and eclectic mix of cultures. After checking in at our hotel, we explore the city sights on a walking tour with our guide. Maputo offers interesting and varied architecture and no visit to the city would be complete without a browse through a market. Tonight we eat out and get a chance to experience the night-life of this intriguing city.

Accommodation	Afrin Prestige Hotel http://www.maputo.afrin-hotels.com/hotel-overview.html
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	Kruger National Park to Maputo
Included Highlight	Explore Maputo on Foot (self-guided walk)

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Border Post

Mozambique: Lebombo, Tel: +258 2155 0010, Open: 06h00-18h00
South Africa: Komatipoort, Tel: +27 (013) 793-7201, Open: 06h00-18h00

Day 5 - Inhambane – Barra Beach

Setting out for the Inhambane District we travel the northern road along the coast. While it is a long day on the road there is much to see as we pass the many villages and plantations of coconuts, cashews and sugar cane. Our journey will bring us to the palm lined beaches for two days of relaxation and ocean fun. Tonight we are welcomed with a traditional Mozambique dinner.

Accommodation

Bay View Lodge <http://www.bayviewlodgemoz.com>

Facilities

Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom

Camping: Two per room with shared ablutions (Group House)

Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.

Route

Maputo to Inhambane

Included Highlight

Traditional Mozambique dinner

Day 6 - Inhambane

With two days of beach time we have an opportunity to relax and enjoy the warm waters of the Indian Ocean, the more adventurous can sign up for a variety of optional activities. While the beaches at Barra are safe for swimming, the reefs on this stretch of coast offer excellent opportunities for diving or snorkelling.

Accommodation

Bay View Lodge <http://www.bayviewlodgemoz.com>

Facilities

Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom

Camping: Two per room with shared ablutions (Group House)

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Optional Activities

Ocean Safaris, Quad Biking, Scuba Diving, Snorkelling and more

Day 7 - Inhambane

Today we make the short drive to Tofo to spend the day enjoying yet another of Mozambique's iconic beach destination. With safe swimming, a charming market and a number of popular beach bars, Tofo is perfect for a day's outing. A second day not only ensures that you have the opportunity to make the most of the activities on offer; it also allows us some flexibility to adapt to the weather.

Accommodation

Bay View Lodge <http://www.bayviewlodgemoz.com>

Facilities

Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom

Camping: Two per room with shared ablutions (Group House)

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Included Highlight

Visit to Tofo

Optional Activity

Ocean Safaris, Quad Biking, Scuba Diving, Snorkelling and more

Day 8 - Vilanculos

This morning we make a stop in Inhambane where you will have the opportunity to explore the market and the historic streets of this former slave trading port. For those who enjoy a good adventure, your guide will arrange one of the famous Dhow ferries to sail you across the bay. These sturdy old boats have plied the East Coast of Africa for centuries and the trip across the bay is a truly local experience. Should you prefer, you may remain with the truck for the water taxi to Maxixe on the far side of the bay. Reunited with our truck we travel north to our next stop at Vilanculos.

Accommodation

Golden Sands Apartments <http://www.solresortsonline.com>

Facilities

Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom

Camping: (Group House) Shared ablutions

Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.

Route

Inhambane to Vilanculos

Included Highlight

Explore Inhambane on foot (self-guided walk), Water Taxi (traditional dhow) to Maxixe (Not Compulsory)

Day 9 - Bazaruto Excursion

We board a traditional dhow this morning and set sail to the islands of the Bazaruto Archipelago, one of the largest Marine reserves in Southern Africa. We spend the day exploring the islands, snorkelling and enjoying the beaches of this island paradise. Be sure to keep your sunblock handy as today is filled with sun, sea, sand and exploration. We return in the afternoon and enjoy a well-earned night of rest.

Accommodation

Golden Sands Apartments <http://www.solresortsonline.com>

Facilities

Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom

Camping: (Group House) Shared ablutions

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Activity Package

Bazaruto Island day excursion (full day)

Day 10 - Xai Xai District

Well rested we set course for the Xai-Xai district, arriving in the late afternoon we have time for a walk on the beach or a sundowner to bid farewell to the Indian Ocean and the pristine beaches of Mozambique.

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Accommodation	Sunset Beach Lodge http://www.sunsetbeachlodge.com/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with en-suite bathroom Camping: Shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Bazaruto to Xai Xai District

Day 11 – Hlane Game Reserve, Swaziland

We set out early this morning as we journey via Maputo and cross the border into Swaziland.

Accommodation	Hlane game reserve http://www.biggameparks.org/hlane
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	Xai Xai to Swaziland
Border Post	Mozambique: Namaacha, Tel: not available, Open: 07h00-20h00 Swaziland: Lomahasha, Tel: +268 323 6026, Open: 07h00-20h00

Day 12 - Swaziland

Our stay in Swaziland presents us with an opportunity to enjoy a morning game drive in Hlane Game Reserve, which is include for those guests who have purchased the activity package. After our game drive, we depart Hlane and head to another great reserve of Swaziland, Mliwane.

Accommodation	Mliwane Wildlife Sanctuary http://biggameparks.org/properties/mliwane-wildlife-sanctuary-2
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per hut 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	Hlane Game Reserve to Mliwane Wildlife Sanctuary
Activity Package	Rhino Game Drive in Hlane Game Reserve

Day 13 – Swaziland

An interwoven network of 9 trails traverse Mliwane and this morning you will have the opportunity to explore the trails with your guide. After enjoying lunch back at camp, we spend our afternoon on a 2-hour guided walk through the Esajeni community, allowing us a glimpse of life on a day-to-day basis. This interactive experience could involve grinding maize, carrying water, building a wall or washing clothes in the stream.

Accommodation	Mliwane Wildlife Sanctuary http://biggameparks.org/properties/mliwane-wildlife-sanctuary-2
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per hut 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>
Included Highlight	Morning walk with your tour guide Esajeni Cultural Tour

Day 14 - Johannesburg

Our final road trip takes us back to Johannesburg as we reflect on the wildlife and beaches that have filled our days. We arrive at Belvedere Estate in the late afternoon and all travellers are invited to join us for a traditional meal tonight. This can be booked with your guide on the day before arrival. Many great tales are shared and tonight is for celebrating the many wonders of African travel.

Accommodation	Own Arrangements / Post tour accommodation can be booked through your tour consultant.
Route	Mliwane to Johannesburg
Optional Activity	Traditional meal at Belvedere Estate

This itinerary has been written with the Activity Package items included. If you wish to participate in all the activities listed, you will need to purchase the Activity Package.

Tour information further below

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TOUR INFORMATION

Activity Package

This is an optional payment that covers what we consider to be 'essential activities' on our tours. This payment is 100% transparent and is listed below. The Activity Package must be pre-booked along with your tour booking. We cannot always guarantee availability of the activities if you only book on the morning of your tour departure.

Activity	Price
Bazaruto Island day excursion	R 1 200
4x4 Game drive in Kruger National Park	R 950
Hlane game drive	R 400
	R 2 550

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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.

Tour departure point

7.00am Belvedere Estate, 83 Belvedere Road, Glen Austin, Midrand, South Africa

Tel: 083 741 5240 www.belvedereestate.co.za

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

Tour ending point

Belvedere Estate, 83 Belvedere Road, Glen Austin, Midrand, South Africa

Tel: 083 741 5240 www.belvedereestate.co.za

What's included

Accommodation, meals (Breakfast x 13 / Lunch x 6 / Dinner x 12) (unless otherwise specified, all meals are prepared and served at the tour truck) / qualified crew / transport in the tour truck / included highlights as per the itinerary.

What's excluded

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

Countries Visited

South Africa, Mozambique, Swaziland

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All information provided in this tour dossier is subject to change without prior notice. Changes would always be in consideration of your safety first and a better quality experience where possible. Overnight accommodation stops can change without prior notification, depending on road or weather conditions or any unforeseen circumstances. While every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the properties listed in this dossier, these are to be used as a guideline only. We recommend that you download the most up to date version of this tour dossier one week prior to your tour departure date, however, changes are possible within 7 days prior to your tour departure.

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"!