



43 Day Cape Town to Nairobi Adventure Tour

This trip offers culture, wildlife and some of the most spectacular scenery to be found in Africa. We travel from the mother city of Cape Town to the bustling capital of Nairobi. We leave the breath-taking Table Mountain behind us as we go on search for the mighty big 5 after exploring the beauty of Namibia. Relax on the white sands of Zanzibar before entering some of the world's best game parks.



INCLUDED HIGHLIGHTS

Fish River Canyon
 Namib Naukluft National Park
 Transfer to Sossusvlei
 Swakopmund
 Spitzkoppe
 Etosha National Park
 Okavango Delta Excursion
 Chobe National Park
 Chobe Overnight Excursion
 Entrance to Victoria Falls
 South Luangwa National Park
 Lake Malawi
 Sunset Dhow Cruise
 Zanzibar Ferry
 Zanzibar Excursion
 Spice Tour
 Dar es Salaam
 Meserani Snake Park & Masai Cultural Museum
 Serengeti National Park

ITINERARY

SOUTH AFRICA - NAMIBIA - BOTSWANA - ZIMBABWE - ZAMBIA - MALAWI – TANZANIA - KENYA

Information is subject to change. Travel times and accommodation can change depending on road or weather conditions, etc. These are used as a guideline only.

Accommodation style:	Camping
Length of trip:	43 Days
Starts in:	Cape Town, South Africa
Finishes in:	Nairobi, Kenya
Pre-departure Meeting:	Held at the Departure Point at 17h00, Day 1 of the tour
Departure point:	Ashanti Lodge & Travel Centre: 11 Hof Street, Gardens, Cape Town
Check-In Time:	Any time on day one
Countries visited:	South Africa, Namibia, Botswana, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Malawi, Tanzania, Kenya

DAY 1 CAPE TOWN

We start our first day in the busy South African city of Cape Town. Today is an arrivals day – You can arrive anytime and make your way to the departing lodge where your accommodation is included for the night. We do offer a free airport Transfer if needed. Tonight, there will be a pre-departure meeting at the departing lodge.

If you arrive early take some time to explore Cape Town. Your booking consultant can help arrange pre-night's accommodation if needed and advise on trips to do in Cape Town to places of interest.

Cape Town has much to offer, such as the flat-topped Table Mountain, which is awesome for hiking and providing you with an aerial view of Cape Town. Then there is the pulse of the city – Long Street, which will provide you with all the food and entertainment needed on holiday. If that does not fulfil your holiday needs, the Cape area can provide you with a full day of education, sightseeing, breathe taking views and wine when partaking in a Winelands tour. A saying that will forever stick by us Capetonians – You don't need a holiday; you need Cape Town.

Meals: None

SOUTH AFRICA

With nine different provinces, 11 official languages and 3 capital cities, South Africa will most definitely make you stop in your tracks and go – WOW.

DAY 2 CAPE TOWN TO CEDARBERG AREA

We head around Table Bay and continue north through the wheat growing 'breadbasket' of South Africa. We cross the Piekenierskloof Pass into the rich fruit growing area along the Olifants River, named for the vast Elephant herds that used to roam in this fertile valley.

Meals: Lunch & Dinner

DAY 3 CEDARBERG AREA TO THE GARIEP RIVER

From the Cedarberg, we travel further north through the region known as Namaqualand, well known for its prolific display of Namaqua wildflowers that occur each spring. After stopping for supplies in the small mining town of Springbok, we continue on through the desert area of the Richtersveld to the Gariep River, the natural land border between South Africa and Namibia, where we camp at a beautiful campsite on the South African bank of the river.



Meals:**Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner****NAMIBIA**

This sandy yet spectacular country gained its independence from South Africa in the year of 1990 and its largest city, also the capital city is Windhoek. This is a country of compelling beauty and wide horizons dominated by the brooding and desolate Namib Desert, which has the highest sand dunes in the world.

DAY 4**GARIEP RIVER TO FISH RIVER CANYON (NAMIBIA)**

Today we cross into Namibia where, after a short drive, we reach the Fish River Canyon. At 161 km long, 27 km wide and about 550 m deep, it's the second largest canyon in the world. The outer canyon was formed by tectonic activity, while the erosion of the Fish River formed the inner canyon. A road follows the eastern rim, giving us access to several viewing points from where we enjoy the spectacular vistas.

Meals:**Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner****Included Activity:****A Visit to the Fish River Canyon****Fish River Canyon**

Located in the South of Namibia, the Fish River Canyon claims the title of the largest canyon in Africa and the second largest in the world. Being approximately 160km long, 27km wide and just over 550m deep only allows for the brave and fit to take on the hikes and walks it has to offer.

DAY 5**FISH RIVER CANYON TO SESRIEM**

An early start today, heading north we enter the area of the Namib-Naukluft desert, one of the oldest in the world. We base ourselves at Sesriem, a good place to experience the Namib and its many moods. A short distance away is Sossusvlei, surrounded by a dramatic sea of sand dunes reputed to be the highest in the world. Magnificent views of the desert can be seen from the top of the dunes, some over 300 m high. Make sure you look up at the stars tonight; the desert puts on a show like nowhere else in the world!

Meals:**Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner****Included Activity:****Namib Naukluft National Park****DAY 6****SESRIEM**

This morning we enter the Namib-Naukluft National Park where we spend the morning exploring this amazing area. We take some time to climb to the top of Dune 45 - a truly memorable experience. Following our once in a lifetime experience you will take the desert shuttles a further 5kms into the desert where you can take a walk to Sossusvlei and explore the surrounding area.

Meals:**Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner****Included Activities:****Climbing Dune 45 & A visit to Sossusvlei****Sossusvlei – Sesriem Canyon**

This salt and clay pan is surrounded by never ending sand dunes which form part of some of the highest dunes in the world. If all these dunes had the ability to be jealous, then they would all be jealous of Dune 45, due to its stunning view of the sunrises and sunsets and its photo geniality. Not being one of the largest or most popular canyons, Sesriem Canyon makes up for it with character. The name Sesriem was given to it by the settlers and is Afrikaans, it can be translated into "six belts". After coming back from their treks, the settlers would have to tie six belts together, attached to a bucket, in order to scoop water from the



canyon.

DAY 7 SESRIEM TO SWAKOPMUND

After breakfast, we head off in a north-westerly direction to meet the Atlantic Ocean at Walvis Bay. Our drive takes us across the Tropic of Capricorn – the ‘imaginary line’ that shows the southernmost point of direct sun and signals the southern hemisphere’s mid-summers day. From Walvis Bay, we follow the coast for some 35 km to arrive at Namibia’s prime holiday resort - Swakopmund where we enjoy 2 nights of rest, relaxation and a little bit of adrenalin for those that are keen! Accommodation will be in dormitories for the next 2 nights, upgrades into private rooms are possible, but depend on availability and can be booked with your trip leader.

Meals: Breakfast

Solitaire – Tropic of Capricorn – Swakopmund

Consisting of a fuel station, post office, small general dealer and a bakery, Solitaire may be small, but it sure lacks no character. After filling your belly with some of the best apple pie, your next stop is the Tropic of Capricorn. The board marking the tropic may be one of the most photographed boards in Namibia, followed closely by the Namibian border signs (which are technically prohibited), but people manage to sneak one or two in. Swakopmund has become the adventure capital of Namibia, while the city of Windhoek is the Capital. Any adventure junkie will be attracted to Swakopmund, whether they want to jump out of a perfectly good plane or try their luck at sand boarding.

DAY 8 SWAKOPMUND

Founded by the Germans in 1892, their colonial influence is still evident today. Swakopmund has a selection of excellent coffee shops, restaurants & bars as well as many arts and crafts shops selling Namibian curios. There are fine beaches to walk along as well as a great museum, aquarium and galleries to visit. Alternatively, the lovely beach and promenade make for a great relaxing walk – though bathing in the ocean waters may be somewhat chilly! Some of our fellow passengers may leave us in Swakopmund, to be replaced by new passengers joining us for the rest of our trip.

Meals: Breakfast
Optional Activities: Sky diving, Quad Biking, Sand Boarding, Scenic Desert Flights, Dolphin Cruises, Fishing, Golf, Horse Riding and more. An Activity briefing will be held on arrival in Swakopmund.

DAY 9 SWAKOPMUND TO BRANDBERG (UIS)

Our departure from Swakopmund takes through the ‘Matterhorn of Namibia’ – Spitzkoppe (day trip). The 1728m high rock formation, one of Namibia’s most recognised landmarks, is well known as an ancient San sacred site. Explore the surrounding area and its San rock paintings or simply enjoy the magnificent views. After our visit to Spitzkoppe we head off to our next destination – Brandberg.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

DAY 10 BRANDBERG (UIS) TO ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK AREA

Today’s drive takes us further north through the Namibian countryside to our campsite, located in the vicinity of the National Park.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner



DAY 11
ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK AREA

We head to the area of Etosha National Park. Covering 22 700 km², Etosha is Namibia's premier nature and wildlife reserve. Situated around the Etosha Pan with a large variety of animal and bird life, the extensive network of gravel roads affords us the opportunity of accessing even the most remote areas of the park. After lunch, and once it has cooled off a bit, we spend the remainder of the day exploring the park's southern area. Keep an eye out for the striking Oryx and Springbok as these are endemic to desert National Parks! Tonight's camp is situated just outside the parks boundaries, only 10kms from Anderson Gate. Perhaps a quick dip in the pool or a sun downer on the deck before dinner, followed by a relaxing evening in this interesting bar.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
Optional Activity: Game Drive

DAY 12
ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK

Today we make our way across the park, keeping a look out for the many different mammals, reptiles, birds and insects in the various regions. As the vegetation types change, so does the animal and bird life that relies on it, and so different sections of the Park offer a variety of different game options. After a full day of game viewing, we spend the evening relaxing at our camp in the north of the park, Namutoni. After dinner why not head to the waterhole where you can sit and observe the animals may come to drink in the evenings.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
Included Activity: Game Drive in Tour Truck
Optional Activity: Night Drive

DAY 13
ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK TO WINDHOEK

After our breakfast, we head out of the park while doing a game drive. Today's drive will take us through small rural towns and scenic landscapes. Nestled between the hills, Windhoek is a rather small capital city but has many places of historical interest. This afternoon is spent at your leisure with time to visit the local museum or haggling at the street side markets. There are also many shops for those in need of a bit of retail therapy.

Meals: Breakfast & Lunch
Optional Activity: Dinner at Joe's Beer House

DAY 14
WINDHOEK TO GHANZI (BOTSWANA)

This morning we depart early as we prepare to leave Namibia behind us as we enter into the beautiful Botswana. Ghanzi is a town in the middle of the Kalahari Desert. Optional activities include a number of activities to interact with the San / Bushman, and to discover how they survived in the Kalahari.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
Optional Activity: San/Bushman Experience

BOTSWANA

The size of this successful country can be compared to countries such as Kenya or France, and fairly smaller than Texas. Botswana is a landlocked country with borders such as South Africa, Namibia, Zambia and Zimbabwe which can all be crossed overland. For such a small country, it boasts an array of spectacular game viewing opportunities such as, hundreds of elephants splashing in the Chobe River and the Okavango Delta and its maze of lagoons.



DAY 15
GHANZI TO MAUN (BOTSWANA)

Maun is the starting point for travel into the Delta and it is from here that we set off to explore the Okavango Delta. Tonight, we prepare our provisions and packs for our overnight night excursion. We suggest bringing along a smaller daypack on your trip as this can be used to pack the supplies needed for this short excursion. Your trip leader will brief you fully on what is needed, and what to expect prior to your trip to the Delta.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

OKAVANGO DELTA

The Delta is a huge expanse of water, which has travelled from the Angolan highlands, spreading out to form the largest inland delta in the world. Studded with exotic islands, The Delta is renowned for its incredible variety of bird life and animals and is unique to Southern Africa.

All you have to do is sit back, relax and have your camera as you get guided through the dozens of mazes. The Okavango Delta is a bird lover's paradise enjoyed by all, best explored by foot and mokoro. With over 400 species of birds, 70 species of fish and an abundance of wildlife, your experience in the delta will leave you wanting to explore the whole of Africa.

DAY 16
MAUN TO OKAVANGO DELTA

Here we have the opportunity to take the included overnight excursion into the Delta. After an early rise, we pack our expedition vehicle and from Maun we drive north for a couple of hours to reach the mokoro poler's station. The Delta region is studded with many local villages where many families live in a traditional way. Some of the villages are very remote and can only be reached by the traditional mode of transport – the Mokoro. Mokoros are dugout canoes manoeuvred through the waterways by local guides who “pole” them through the reeds. At the Mokoro station, we meet our ‘Polers’ and pack our supplies before heading out into the waterways. After a couple of hours along the waterways, we arrive at our mobile tented camp situated in the heart of the Okavango.

On arrival, you will meet the local staff who will be your host during your stay. A brief introduction to the camp will show you your dome tent with twin beds and a bush en-suite bathroom – long drop toilet and a bucket shower. Relax in the tent with a cold drink or take a paddle in the Delta in a canoe. The activities at the camp include Mokoro trails and guided walking.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
Included Activity: Overnight Delta Excursion

DAY 17
OKAVANGO DELTA TO MAUN

After our Mokoro ride and vehicle transfer, we arrive back around lunch time and have the chance to complete our picture of the Okavango Delta by taking an optional scenic flight over The Delta (dependent on weather conditions & availability).

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

DAY 18
MAUN TO NATA REGION

We leave this beautiful part of Botswana behind us this morning as we depart to the lush campsite called Elephant Sands. The drive will take you through a very unpopulated landscape where the donkeys roam freely. Once we have arrived at our campsite you will have the option of partaking in a game drive or a bushwalk. Your crew will provide you with more information.



Meals:
Optional Activities:

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
Game Drive/Bush Walk

DAY 19
NATA REGION TO CHOBE NATIONAL PARK

We travel north to the town of Kasane where we set up camp on the banks of the Chobe River. The Chobe River forms a border between Botswana and Namibia and Zambia and is the main water source to the Chobe National Park. Elephant, hippo and many bird species can be viewed from the campsite while we watch another glorious African sunset. Listen out for the resident hippos!

Meals: **Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner**

DAY 20
CHOBE NATIONAL PARK

This morning we have a chance to sleep in or explore the town of Kasane. When we are packed and prepared, we leave for our Chobe National Park Overnight Mobile excursion – an overnight experience in the wilds of the Chobe National park. Chobe is one of Botswana's premier game parks, renowned for its large elephant herds. Spend the afternoon in search of wildlife while we game drive to our camp within the park where we spend the evening surrounded by the night-time noises of the local wildlife. Look out for the rare Sable and Roan Antelope on your game drive, with their majestic backward slanting horns, or try keep a count of the Lilac Breasted Roller's that swoop by! After our night in the bush, we head out early to continue our search for wildlife, before packing up the camp and heading back to Kasane, and Victoria Falls.

Meals: **Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner**
Included Activity: **Chobe National Park Overnight Mobile Excursion**

DAY 21
CHOBE NATIONAL PARK TO VICTORIA FALLS (ZIMBABWE)

Once returning to camp, we get back on our truck and continue to the border of Zimbabwe. Once we've completed border formalities, we have a short drive to the nearby Victoria Falls. Named after the famous World Heritage site and Waterfall, the town of Victoria Falls is situated on the Zambezi River and surrounded by the Victoria Falls National Park. Our campsite is conveniently situated in the centre of town, and within walking distance of the adventure booking agents, restaurants and shops. A short walk down the main road takes you to the entry point to view the falls, which are situated between Zimbabwe and Zambia. Victoria Falls, or Mosi-oa-Tunya (the Smoke that Thunders), was named by David Livingstone on his explorations, and is one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World. At 1700 m wide and around 100 m high, this is the world's largest sheet of falling water and a memorable sight on any African Safari! After our adventure activities briefing, the afternoon is spent relaxing at the campsite, viewing the Victoria Falls, or exploring the many sights and delights of this town!

Meals: **Brunch**
Included Activity: **Entrance to Victoria Falls**

ZIMBABWE

This landlocked country is situated in the southern part of Africa, between the mighty Zambezi and Limpopo Rivers. The word Zimbabwe is believed to have two meanings, 1) it is believed the word Zimbabwe is derived from dzimba-dza-mabwe, which means "large house of stone" in the Shona (Karanga Dialect) language. 2) It is also believed to be derived from the word dzimba-hwe which means venerated houses in the Zezuru dialect of Shona.

Victoria Falls

With so many exiting areas to explore within this beautiful country along with its enjoyable weather it makes it difficult to decide where to begin. The adventure activities in the town of **Victoria falls** along with the Victoria Falls itself are an absolute must. Hwange National Park offers spectacular game viewing, while the Great Zimbabwe Ruins offers you a chapter out of



DAY 22 TO 23
VICTORIA FALLS

The next 2 days are spent relaxing or participating in a myriad of Optional Excursions. Some of our fellow passengers will leave us in Vic Falls, to be replaced by new passengers joining us for the next leg of our trek.

Meals: Breakfast on Both days
Optional Activities: Bungee Jumping, Abseiling, Flights in Fixed Wing, Micro Light, Ultra-light aircraft, Helicopters, White Water Rafting, Floats

DAY 24
VICTORIA FALLS TO CHOBE NATIONAL PARK, BOTSWANA

We head out from Victoria Falls to the border crossing to Botswana. Once we've completed the border formalities, we continue to the town of Kasane, situated on the banks of the Chobe River. The Chobe River forms a border between Botswana and Namibia and Zambia and is the main water source to the Chobe National Park. After lunch, we have time at leisure to relax.

In the afternoon, clients who have not had the Chobe National Park Overnight Mobile excursion, will leave for the mobile excursion, while clients that have experienced the Mobile excursion already, will stay behind in Kasane, and we will make sure their accommodation & 2 daily meals are sorted.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

DAY 25
CHOBE NATIONAL PARK TO LIVINGSTONE (ZAMBIA)

Once returning to the camp at Kasane, we get back on our truck and continue to the town of Livingstone. This afternoon we have the opportunity to view The Falls from the Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park, Zambia or partake in an optional sunset boat cruise on the Zambezi River. Another fantastic photo opportunity!

Meals: Brunch & Dinner
Optional Activity: Zambezi Sunset Boat Cruise

DAY 26
LIVINGSTONE TO LUSAKA

An early morning start sees us head north through southern Zambia. As we drive, we pass through a few of the villages and towns of Zambia along the way. Prosperous during the copper boom in the 60's, Zambia was able to build infrastructure at the main mining and farming communities. After the fall of the copper industry, the country was left virtually bankrupt and existing infrastructure was left to fall to ruin. Due to foreign investment and a rise in the mining industry, Zambia is today once again starting to prosper. The difference is evident in the cities with the availability of foreign stores, banks and imported cars, while the villages and smaller towns are still to catch up. Our campsite is home to some local wildlife including the largest antelope – Eland.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

DAY 27 TO 28
LUSAKA TO SOUTH LUANGWA NATIONAL PARK

This breath-taking park is situated on the Luangwa River in the Eastern part of Zambia, and it is the southernmost of three national parks in this region. South Luangwa was founded in 1938 as a game reserve, 1972 was the year it was declared as a national park, and today it covers over 9000 kilometres squared. Animals such as Giraffe, buffalo and Elephants can be found in abundance. The Luangwa river is home to many a hippo and croc.



Meals:
Included Activity:

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
South Luangwa National Park

DAY 29 TO 31
CHIPATA TO LAKE MALAWI BEACHES (MALAWI)

Leaving Zambia, we cross into Malawi, the 'Warm Heart of Africa'. Malawi is a landlocked country with 20% of its total area made up of beautiful Lake Malawi. We camp first at the central Lake, and then in the northern area over the next 3 days.

Spend the days learning the game of bao from the locals, scour the markets for a bargain or simply relax on the pristine beaches. Malawi's temperate climate allows for swimming in the clear blue fresh-water lake all year round. Explore the beautiful shore where you'll happen upon the local fishermen sorting their catch. Traditional fishing techniques are still practiced and to appreciate their boating skills, try to paddle a dugout canoe yourself! At night, you'll see the 'fairy' lights of the fishermen out on the lake. The various beachside campsites along Lake Malawi's shores offer many optional Excursions including a variety of water sports, horseback rides and a visit to the local village and school.

Meals:

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

MALAWI

A variety of attractions can be found in this exquisite country such as, forest, mountains and many a rural village, but there is one major attraction – Lake Malawi. There are many small rustic resorts along this freshwater lake where you can kick back on the sand, and enjoy the perfect sunset over this lake. Malawi will offer you the perfect sub-tropical climate, allowing you ample time to soak up the sun and work on that tan. Lilongwe is the largest city in Malawi, as well as the capital city. Malawi plays host to just over 12 million people, with English and Chichewa being the main languages.

Lake Malawi

Most your time in Malawi will be spent enjoying the white beaches and warm waters of Lake Malawi. Lake Malawi is also known as "the lake of stars", offering an abundance of water activities. With the staggering amount of 500 species of fish, this lake makes for an excellent spot for freshwater diving after meeting and greeting all the welcoming locals.

DAY 32
LAKE MALAWI TO IRINGA (TANZANIA)

After a relaxing 3 days, we leave Malawi, entering Tanzania through the border post at Songwe. Winding our way through the beauty of the Tukuyu tea and banana plantations, we head towards Iringa where we spend the night in the beautiful rustic 'Farmhouse' campsite famous for its Amarula Hot Chocolates and its steamy showers!

Meals:

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

TANZANIA

Tanzania's natural environment and geographical features have made it one of the best tourist destinations in Africa. Being the biggest country in east Africa, Tanzania has heaps to offer her visitors, including 13 game reserves and national parks. Tanzania also forms part of the world's largest animal's movements, the great migration. Inland are the vast Serengeti National Park and the animal packed Ngorongoro Conservation area, and thousands of people every year fulfil their lifetime achievement of climbing to the top of Mount Kilimanjaro, which is the highest mountain in Africa. On the coast, Zanzibar is exotic, intriguing and steeped in the unique Swahili culture.

DAY 33
IRINGA TO DAR ES SALAAM

This morning we head off early and make our way to Dar es Salaam. We pass through the Mikumi National Park where it is possible to view a range of wildlife from the roadside, totally impervious to the passing traffic. Today's



drive time is extended due to the heavier amount of traffic heading into the city, but the sights and sounds of Dar's vibrant outer suburbs are sure to keep you entertained. Look out for the colourful shop-fronts with their sometimes humorous 'catch phrases'. On arrival in Dar es Salaam, we make our way to our lovely seaside campsite and prepare for our departure to Zanzibar the next morning.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

DAY 34 DAR ES SALAAM TO ZANZIBAR

A ferry from Dar es Salaam takes us to the "Spice Island," where we spend the next 3 nights. Zanzibar is steeped in history and was one of the major starting points for most East African explorers in their quest for new lands. New passengers may join us to replace those that'll leave us at the end of our excursion to Zanzibar.

PLEASE NOTE: Meals are for your own account whilst on Zanzibar, as it is our experience that passengers prefer to explore the island on their own, and in accordance with their own budget. The Trip Leader joins you and will arrange your activities, while meals can be enjoyed from a wide selection of restaurants. There are also a wide variety of optional excursions on offer – please see the price guide on the end of this document for more details.

PLEASE NOTE: New legislation prohibits the taking of photographs during the Zanzibar ferry ride. Spot fines can be issued, if legislation is not obeyed.

Meals: Breakfast
Included Activities: Spice Tour & Dhow Excursion and Zanzibar Excursion

DAY 35 TO 36 ZANZIBAR

History aside, Zanzibar offers a wealth of experiences for the visitor. Today the quiet streets of the old Stone Town still retain their Arabic influence, from the Medina-like shops to the palaces of the Sultans, who founded their vast empires on the spoils of the slave and ivory trade. The island is famous for its spices and an excursion around a spice plantation is always a fascinating experience. Other options include a trip to the beautiful beaches and giant tortoises of Prison Island, a full day scuba dive in Nungwe or a fishing trip in a traditional dhow. Mopeds are available for hire if you'd like to explore the more remote areas of the island. Zanzibar is a seafood lover's paradise. Numerous restaurants offer a great variety of the freshest catch from the ocean - crayfish being a popular speciality. Alternatively, mingle with the locals for dinner at the Forodhani Gardens seafront market, where delicious, inexpensive seafood is on offer.

Meals: None

DAY 37 ZANZIBAR TO DAR ES SALAAM

Leaving Zanzibar in the afternoon, we return to the mainland and another night in Dar es Salaam. Arrival back to camp is usually in the late afternoon, or early evening.

Meals: Dinner

DAY 38 DAR ES SALAAM TO PANGANI

This morning we leave early and leave the hustle and bustle of this major Tanzanian city, and head towards the farmlands of this beautiful country. Today is used as a transit day to get us closer to Serengeti.

* Some trips may choose to forego this night at their own cost.



Meals:

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

DAY 39
PANGANI TO ARUSHA

From Dar es Salaam we have a long day's drive through vast sisal plantations and African bushveld to Arusha. On the way, we pass The Pare and Usambara Mountain ranges before driving through the town of Moshi. Moshi is the base for Mount Kilimanjaro climbing expeditions and weather permitting; we may even catch a glimpse of this magical mountain's snowy summit - a photo opportunity not to be missed! Tonight, we stay at a campsite in Meserani on the outskirts of Arusha, before heading out on our Optional Excursions to the Serengeti and Ngorongoro Crater tomorrow.

Meals:

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

DAY 40
ARUSHA TO KARATU

This morning we visit the Meserani Reptile Park and Masai Cultural Museum. A few minutes' walk from the campsite is a gallery selling the bright and iconic Tinga Tinga paintings. Alternatively, the town of Arusha is nearby to explore. After enjoying lunch at our camp against the backdrop of Mount Meru we meet our Tanzanian guides and transfer into locally operated 4WD vehicles. These vehicles have been adapted for safari use and allow excellent viewing and photographic opportunities through the opening roof hatches.

Leaving our camp, we travel via the Masai town of Mtu Wa Mbu (Mosquito River) that lies adjacent to the Lake Manyara National Park and then up the Rift Valley Escarpment to the higher lying village of Karatu. Karatu offers magnificent views over the surrounding hills and has many well-established wheat farms that add to the picturesque panoramas. Tonight, we spend the evening at a very pleasant campsite in Karatu (campsite has ablution facilities).

Meals:

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Optional Activity:

Serengeti Excursion

DAY 41
KARATU TO NGORONGORO CRATER & SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK

This morning we depart early for the Ngorongoro Conservation area and head into the wildlife rich Ngorongoro Crater. The Ngorongoro Crater is the largest unbroken, unflooded caldera in the world. Comprising of open savannahs, acacia forests and both soda and freshwater lakes, the Ngorongoro Crater is truly a miniature 'Garden of Eden'. This World Heritage Site boasts some of the best game viewing in Africa – including the elusive Black Rhino.

After our game drive in the Crater, we head down the Crater rim and past the 'Cradle of Mankind' on our way to the Serengeti National Park. We cross the vast plains as we game drive through the southern and central areas in the park. Tonight, we will stay in the bushveld surrounded by the sounds of the African wilderness.

Meals:

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

DAY 42
SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK TO ARUSHA

In the morning, we head off for another game drive and explore the landscape in search of the resident game. With some luck, we may see some of Africa's 'Big 5'! Following our morning drive, we retrace our journey back across the plains and along the lush Crater rim to our truck at Arusha, where we spend the evening musing over our thrilling wildlife experience.



Meals:**Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner****KENYA**

Upon entering this beautiful east African country, you may be greeted with the words of “jambo” (hello) or “hakuna matata” (no problem) by the friendly locals. With a population of nearly 42 million and land area of more than 580 000 sq km Kenya is home to an abundance of animals and colourful tribes people, making it the perfect getaway for a once in a lifetime safari.

**DAY 43
ARUSHA TO NAIROBI (KENYA)**

We set off early this morning and make our way to the Tanzania/ Kenyan border and the small border town of Namanga. After completing the border formalities, we continue on our journey to the Capital City Nairobi, after just having experienced a trip of a lifetime!

From now on you can enjoy some of the many options available in this bustling city: visit The David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust, where you can view the orphaned baby Elephants at feeding time, or head to the Giraffe Centre in Langata, if you haven't had your fill of game viewing, then Nairobi National Park offers some great day trips or if you haven't quite got all those souvenirs you wanted, take a “Matatu” to the local curio markets close by the camp.

Meals:**Breakfast****Tour Information**

On Booking your Overland Tour, your consultant will send you a full detailed pre-departure information document that will help you prepare. Below is a couple of points on key subjects.

Meals on tour

Meals and menu's vary as food is purchased en-route, and is subject to produce that is available seasonally in the areas we travel through. Our safari cooks are able to offer a wide variety of menu's with the ingredients available, even if the produce on offer is not of the same selection as what you may be used to back home.

The breakfast spread consists of bread (toast when time allows), spreads and cereals with a hot breakfast every few days. Lunches are mostly prepared en-route with a supply of 'build your own' sandwich ingredients available. Dinners are cooked in the evenings on arrival at the campsite. A wide array of dinner menus are on offer during your safari, consisting of curries, stews, pastas and BBQ's!

Transport on tour

Our overland vehicles are custom built converted trucks that have seating space for our passengers and a storage area for luggage and all trip equipment. The trucks seat between 28-30 passengers on our camping trips. Most seats are forward facing, though some models have a combination of forward, backward and some inward facing seats with tables. Vehicles have sliding glass windows, and the seating area is raised providing a great advantage for game viewing and photography. Seats are cushioned and there is storage space for personal items like cameras, snacks and day packs in the seating area.

Participation on tour

All of the tours operated are participation trips meaning that all passengers are expected to help out around camp. The crew members running the trip will set up a rota system that will be followed. One day you may be on cleaning duty, the next day you may be on cooking duty and so forth. This is not only to make the trip easier for all involved but also for you as the passengers to get to know one another while on trip.

The staff and management look forward to welcoming you aboard and trust that you will enjoy your trip with us.



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