



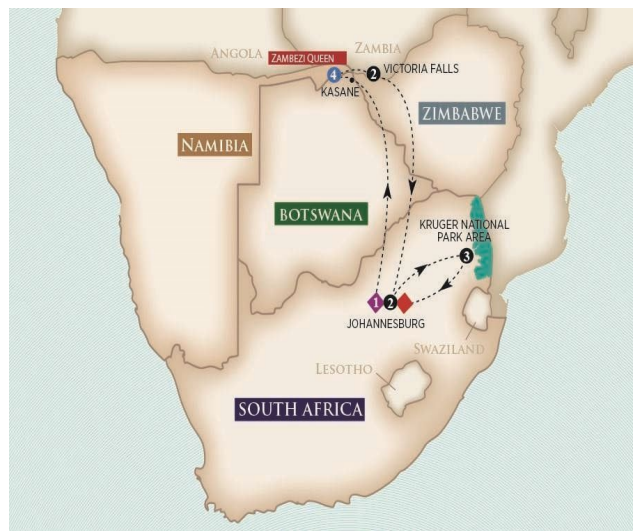
**SMALL GROUP, LIMITED SPACE!**

# WILDLIFE & THE FALLS

## October 20, 2024

### 13 Day African Safari Adventure

- Johannesburg • Chobe • Victoria Falls • Johannesburg • Kruger Park



**AGENCY HOSTED BY  
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with minimum of 14 guests

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**Join Victoria de Wildt** and check off the “Big Five” from your bucket list while exploring South Africa’s Greater Kruger National Park, considered one of the world’s premier safari regions. Begin this exhilarating journey with a one-night stay in Johannesburg, a city undergoing a renaissance revival, before flying to Kasane, Botswana for your four-night wildlife adventure on the Zambezi Queen. Get up close to the animals in their natural habitat by water and land in Chobe National Park, and then be swept up in the sheer beauty and power of the incomparable Victoria Falls for two nights. Return to Johannesburg for two nights, giving you time to soak up its rich heritage and follow in the footsteps of Nelson Mandela. Your journey culminates with three nights at a five-star lodge in Greater Kruger National Park. Choose either Tintswalo or Makanyi luxury safari lodges, both known for their exceptional amenities, service and cuisine. Experience the thrill of twice-daily game drives with highly qualified guides selected for their knowledge and passion.

## ITINERARY

	<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Country</b>	<b>Hotel</b>
Day 1	Oct 20	Johannesburg	South Africa	Fairlawns Boutique Hotel
Day 2	Oct 21	Kasane	Botswana	Zambezi Queen
Day 3	Oct 22	Kasane, Chobe Park	Botswana	Zambezi Queen
Day 4	Oct 23	Kasane, Chobe Park	Botswana	Zambezi Queen
Day 5	Oct 24	Kasane, Chobe Park	Botswana	Zambezi Queen
Day 6	Oct 25	Kasane - Victoria Falls	Zimbabwe	Victoria Falls Hotel
Day 7	Oct 26	Victoria Falls	Zimbabwe	Victoria Falls Hotel
Day 8	Oct 27	Victoria Falls - Johannesburg	South Africa	Fairlawns Boutique Hotel
Day 9	Oct 28	Johannesburg	South Africa	Fairlawns Boutique Hotel
Day 10	Oct 29	Johannesburg - Kruger Park	South Africa	Tintswalo Safari Lodge
Day 11	Oct 30	Kruger Park	South Africa	Tintswalo Safari Lodge
Day 12	Oct 31	Kruger Park	South Africa	Tintswalo Safari Lodge
Day 13	Nov 1	Kruger Park Johannesburg	South Africa	Flight home



## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS



### Chobe River Safari

The Chobe River is the scene for some of the best game viewing in Southern Africa as well as providing a safe haven for the continent's greatest concentration of elephants. Enjoy the tranquillity of being on the river. The best time to visit the Chobe River is during Botswana's dry season - April to October - when game concentrations are at their highest



### Victoria Falls

Named after Queen Victoria by the explorer David Livingston, Victoria Falls (also known as Mosi-oa-Tunya) is not the highest or widest, but it is considered to be one of the world's largest, with a 350-foot drop that measures 5,700 feet across. True to its indigenous name—roughly translated: “Smoke that Thunders”—the noise of the falls can be heard for miles.



### Johannesburg

Johannesburg, fondly known as Jo'burg or Jozi, is a dichotomy of culture, like much of South Africa itself. Despite the gaps, it proves to have a richness in history and new modern districts full of things to do. As the host of the 2010 World Cup, many areas have been revamped into cool spaces with new purpose. The area gained its wealth originally from gold and diamond mining.





## **Day 1 - Johannesburg**

### **ARRIVE IN JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA**

After being greeted at the airport by an AmaWaterways Representative, transfer to the Fairlawns Boutique Hotel & Spa in the desirable Sandton neighborhood. The hotel's extensive gardens have captured the spirit, grace and elegance of a bygone era.

## **Day 2 - Johannesburg - Kasane**

### **KASANE, BOTSWANA – ZAMBEZI QUEEN – EMBARKATION**

Fly to Kasane, Botswana where you'll be transferred to the Chobe River. Tender boats will take you to the Zambezi Queen moored on the Namibia side of the river. Settle into your stateroom and in the evening, enjoy a Welcome Cocktail Reception and Dinner. (B,D)

## **Day 3 - ZAMBEZI QUEEN**

Embark on an exhilarating morning boat safari exploring the Chobe River's diverse game. Afterwards, return to the Zambezi Queen for lunch. Later in the day, enjoy another thrilling boat safari. (B,L,D)

## **Day 4 - ZAMBEZI QUEEN**

Join a full-day safari of Chobe National Park in open-top 4x4 vehicles. Be on the lookout for elephants, giraffe, zebra, sable, warthog and cape buffalo. For lunch, take a seat under the trees and savor a delicious picnic. (B,L,D)

## **Day 5 - ZAMBEZI QUEEN**

Start the day off with an unforgettable visit to a typical African village to experience the local culture. Spend time with the village children as well as its elders. After lunch on board, you can go on a boat safari, bird watch or fish. Enjoy a festive African - themed dinner hosted by your crew, complete with music and dancing. (B,L,D)

## **Day 6 - ZAMBEZI QUEEN – DISEMBARKATION – VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE**

Enjoy a morning cruise during breakfast and be on the lookout for wildlife. Afterward, transfer to the legendary Victoria Falls, one of the world's greatest natural wonders. Spend the afternoon exploring the town or experience one of the many activities offered at your hotel. Later this afternoon, join a cocktail reception with appetizers aboard a vintage steam train and make your way to the Victoria Falls Bridge to watch the sunset over the Falls. (B)

## **Day 7 - VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE**

A local guide will take you on a tour of the awe-inspiring Victoria Falls. You'll learn about its history, and the flora and fauna that make this area so unique. In the evening, embark on a private sunset cruise along the Zambezi River. Relax on board as you observe a variety of game while enjoying a delicious mix of tapas with drinks, followed by a special dinner with live local entertainment at the hotel. (B,D)



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### **Day 8 - Victoria Falls to Johannesburg**

After breakfast, you'll be taken to the airport for your flight to Johannesburg. Transfer to the Fairlawns Boutique Hotel with its parklike setting and wonderful Spa. (B)

### **Day 9 - Johannesburg**

Take a fascinating tour of Johannesburg and its rich history from colonialism to apartheid, and finally democracy. Get an in-depth look at Soweto's unique neighborhoods, the center of the uprising against the apartheid state. Walk in the footsteps of Nelson Mandela, visiting the Mandela House located on Vilakazi Street and along the way enjoy a township lunch. Before dinner, gather with a local expert for an informative discussion and afterwards enjoy a multi-course dinner. (B,L,D)

### **Day 10 - Johannesburg - Kruger National Park**

Fly to the Greater Kruger National Park in the morning where you'll be transferred to your luxurious game lodge. This region is one of the world's most spectacular, game nature reserves, which you'll discover on your late afternoon game drive in search of the country's "Big Five" and other native wildlife. Spend your first night and every night, if you wish, gathering with fellow travelers, sharing stories of the day's adventures or simply gazing up at the stunning star-filled African sky. (B,L,D)

### **Day 11 - Kruger National Park**

The early morning is the perfect time to go on safari as the wildlife is prolific. Your open-air vehicle provides the perfect way to explore your private game reserve, located just a stone's throw from the game-rich Kruger National Park. The rest of the morning can be spent enjoying the facilities at your lodge. Later in the day, you'll go on another game drive deep into the bush, where you may encounter South Africa's top predators: cheetahs, hyenas and lions. (B,L,D)

### **Day 12 - Kruger National Park**

Go on two exhilarating game drives today, as well as enjoy ample leisure time at your game lodge. (B,L,D)

### **Day 13 - Kruger National Park - Johannesburg**

Be treated to an early-morning game drive before returning to the lodge for breakfast. Afterwards, transfer to the airport for your flight to Johannesburg for your connecting flight home. (B)

Note: Please do not schedule your onward flight before 4:30 p.m.

## YOUR ACCOMMODATIONS

### Fairlawns Boutique Hotel - Johannesburg

This award-winning boutique hotel, located in a tranquil suburb of Sandton, impresses with its Balinese Spa, excellent restaurant and world-class suites.

Opulent design and personalized service await guests at Fairlawns Boutique Hotel & Spa. Start the day with breakfast at a time that suits you best. Afterwards, you can enjoy a massage at the spa, where you can also treat yourself to a cleansing facial or traditional South East Asian treatment.

Fairlawns restaurant serves an array of seasonal dishes, all prepared with local ingredients. Dine next to the pool or opt for the imposing dining room. An award-winning wine list complements your meal, with drinks also available at the bar.



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### ZAMBEZI QUEEN

Designed specifically for wildlife viewing, the intimate 28-passenger Zambezi Queen made her debut in one of the world's most captivating places, Africa's legendary Chobe River. As she drifts along the river, animals perceive no threat, affording you with once-in-a-lifetime up-close game experiences. Additionally, to ensure no harm to the environment, the eco-friendly Zambezi Queen uses a water jet propulsion system, fuel-efficient and low-emission generators, and a solar heating system. An enclosed, air-conditioned dining room, lounge and bar grace the top deck, as well as an open-air Sun Deck complete with plunge pool. Suites feature private balconies where you can enjoy unobstructed views of the river and African landscape. Throughout the day, be treated to complimentary South African wines, beer, local spirits, soft drinks and bottled water. And on one special night, enjoy an African-themed dinner with traditional dishes and entertainment.



## Victoria Falls Hotel - Victoria Falls

Authentic Edwardian elegance awaits you! Built in 1904, The Victoria Falls Hotel was the very first hotel to be built in Victoria Falls. The hotel offers authentic Edwardian luxury within walking distance of The Victoria Falls rainforest.

The hotel exudes charm but recent refurbishments offer guests the modern comforts one would expect from a luxury hotel. The Victoria Falls Hotel perfectly depicts the era of Grand Travel. It lies within a vast manicured garden which has an unobscured view of the Victoria Falls bridge and the spray of the Falls.



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## Tintswalo Safari Lodge or Makanyi Game Lodge

There is magic in the air when you enter your home from home in the bush. It is not only the astonishing setting or the wondrous wildlife, it is also the unwavering passion and dedication that everyone involved in all aspects of the lodge share with those who join us. Makanyi is an exceptional way of life that has held the same family and core team enthralled and empowered for the past 7 years, since launch.

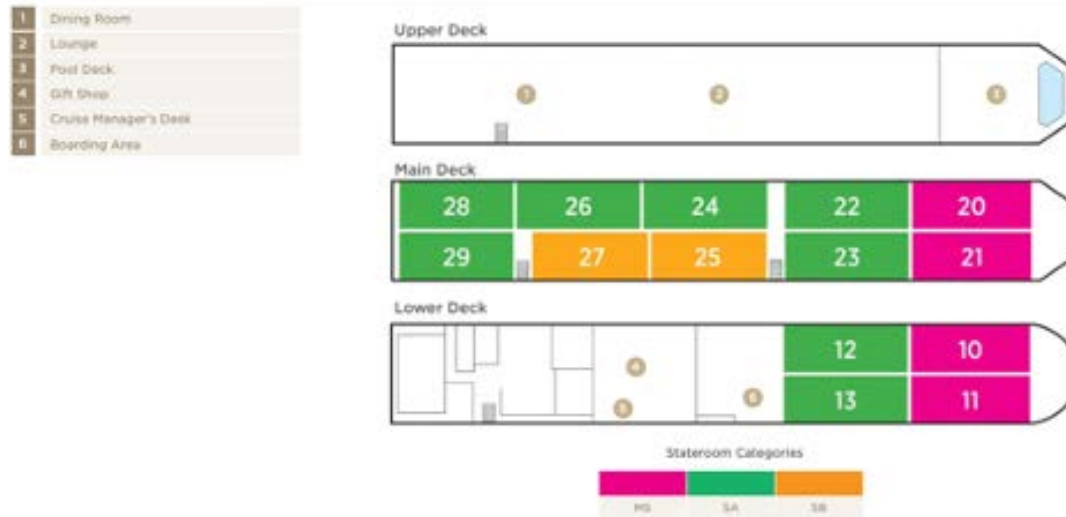


## ALL THIS IS INCLUDED

- 4 nights deluxe accommodation in an air-conditioned balcony suite on Zabezi Queen
- Bottled water replenished daily
- Personalized service from a highly trained Cruise Manager during the cruise
- Tour Director during land program
- All onboard dining, including a traditional African dinner
- Regionally inspired cuisine
- Welcome Dinner, Complimentary wine, beer and local spirits
- Chobe National Park safari
- Exclusive private picnic in Chobe National Park
- Private boat safaris along the Chobe riverbank and its channels
- Visit to an African village for a unique cultural interaction

### LAND PROGRAM

- 3 nights Johannesburg at the luxurious Fairlawns Boutique Hotel in a Grand Château suite, including breakfast
- 2-night stay at the Victoria Falls Hotel in an upgraded stable wing room, including daily breakfast
- Cocktail reception aboard a vintage steam train followed by dinner
- Guided tour of Victoria Falls National Park
- Exclusive Sundowner Cruise with tapas
- Soweto tour with local lunch
- 3 nights in a suite at Tintswalo Safari Lodge or Makanyi Game Lodge
- Daily morning, afternoon and evening game drives
- All meals, drinks and laundry service, all airport transfers



### FARES:

- Category SB:** \$17,618CAD pp to \$18,245CAD pp/dbl occupancy
- Category SA:** \$18,125CAD pp to \$19,896CAD pp/dbl occupancy
- Category LS:** \$19,397CAD pp to \$21,078CAD pp/dbl occupancy snpl.
- Not included:** Intra-Africa Air, \$2,434CAD pp, tourist visas

**Single supplement: 50%  
Category SB and SA**

**DEPOSIT** \$3,000CAD pp

**FINAL PAYMENT:** JULY 15, 2024



## 3 - NIGHT EXTENSION IN CAPE TOWN, PRE-TOUR OCT 18 TO 21, 2024



### DAY 1 / OCT 18 ARRIVE IN CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

Situated amidst majestic mountains and lined with pristine beaches, Cape Town has a rich cultural heritage with extraordinary attractions. After being greeted at the airport by an AmaWaterways representative, transfer to Cape Grace Hotel. Get to know your Tour Director and fellow travelers at the Welcome Reception. (WR)

### DAY 2 / OCT 19 CAPE TOWN

Embark on a full-day exploration along one of the world's most stunning routes, taking you past the 12 Apostles, Hout Bay and Chapman's Peak. Stop at the Cape of Good Hope, first rounded in modern times in 1488 by the Portuguese in their attempt to establish trade in the Far East and still a significant landmark for sailors today. Visit Boulders Beach, home to thousands of African penguins, and then be treated to lunch with drinks overlooking beautiful False Bay. (B,L)

### DAY 3 / OCT 20 CAPE TOWN

Take a cableway up to Table Mountain followed by a trip to the Cape Winelands where you'll visit two of its best vineyards, complete with wine tasting. A delicious lunch will be included along the way. You also have the choice to explore another side of Cape Town at famous Robben Island, once used as a prison for many political inmates, including Nelson Mandela. Ferry over to the island where you will take a tour led by a former inmate. Back in Cape Town, enjoy lunch, and then visit the colorful historic Bo Kaap neighborhood before boarding the cableway to Table Mountain's summit. (B,L)

### DAY 4 / OCT 21 CAPE TOWN – VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE – ZAMBEZI QUEEN – EMBARKATION

In the morning, transfer to the airport for a flight to Victoria Falls. Here, you will be transferred to the Chobe River that forms the border between Botswana and Namibia. Then board tender boats that will take you to the Zambezi Queen moored on the Namibia side of the river. Settle into your stateroom, enjoy a mid-afternoon snack, and in the evening, be treated to a Welcome Cocktail Reception and Dinner. (B,D)

**RATE : \$1,400CAD PP**

INCLUDES FLIGHT FROM CAPE TOWN TO KASANE

## CANCELLATION SCHEDULE AND CHARGES

121 days prior to departure: \$1,500CAD pp  
120 to 90 days: \$3,000 pp  
89 to 60 days: 35% of tour cost  
59 to 30 days: 50% of tour cost  
29 to 07 days: 80% of tour cost  
06 to 00 days: 100% of tour cost

**We strongly recommend the purchase of travel insurance which we can arrange for you through Manulife Financial.**



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