

Full Itinerary

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JOURNEY SNAPSHOT

ACTIVITY LEVEL:

Level 2

DESTINATION:

Zimbabwe Wildlife and Falls Safari

DURATION:

9 days

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

PICKUP LOCATION:

Victoria Falls airport

OVERVIEW

Spectacular wildlife, stunning landscapes and a range of great activities are what you get on this fabulous adventure through Zimbabwe's best National Parks.

Starting off at one of the seven natural wonders of the world, the incredible Victoria Falls, this trip doesn't disappoint. There's wildlife aplenty as you journey through Zimbabwe's fabulous national parks, which have far fewer visitors than their more famous neighbours. This means you get more of the wildlife to yourself, with the trip concluding at another watery African natural wonder, the immense and beautiful Lake Kariba.

Responsible Travel

On this itinerary a contribution is made by us to Travel for Impact to ensure that your safari has a meaningful impact on the people who live locally. For more information please visit www.travelforimpact.com

ITINERARY SUMMARY

Day 1 - Victoria Falls National Park

Day 2 - Hwange National Park

Day 3 - Hwange National Park

Day 4 - Mana Pools National Park

Day 5 - Mana Pools National Park

Day 6 - Mana Pools National Park

Day 7 - Lake Kariba

Day 8 - Lake Kariba

Day 9 - Harare and home

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DAY 1 - VICTORIA FALLS NATIONAL PARK

On arrival at Victoria Falls International Airport you will be met by a Big Safari Company representative and transferred to Victoria Falls Hotel.

At Victoria Falls, the earth splits open and swallows one of Africa's greatest rivers, the mighty Zambezi, creating one of the seven natural wonders of the world. As the water hits the narrow depths of the Batoka Gorge beneath, it blasts a cloud of mist skywards, lending the falls their local name 'mosi-oa-tunya' (the smoke that thunders).

Established in 1904, the Victoria Falls Hotel has a private path leading to the Falls. Overlooking the Victoria Falls Bridge and gorge, it is one of the most famous hotels in Africa and is renowned for its colonial elegance and charm.

Included meals: None

Accommodation: Victoria Falls Hotel

Optional Extras: there are a huge range of optional activities on offer here for either the adrenaline junkie or the faint of heart. Scenic helicopter flights, village visits, white water rafting, bungee jumping, walking with rhinos or souvenir shopping in local markets are just a few examples.

DAY 2 - HWANGE NATIONAL PARK

After breakfast transfer by road to Hwange National Park

Somalisa Camp is an authentic, elegant bush camp set in the heart of the National Park offering an exclusive safari experience. Its stunning location, tucked away on an acacia island, along the edge of an ancient seasonal flood plain, gives it breathtaking views of the savannah plains.

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Accommodation: African Bush Camps Somalisa Camp

DAY 3 - HWANGE NATIONAL PARK

Hwange's diverse habitats mean that it offers large numbers of desert adapted, plains and woodland animals. On your game drives you will see the famed elephant population, which is one of the largest in the world and it has predators such as lion, leopard and cheetah. Hwange also boasts one of Africa's last strongholds of endangered African wild dogs.

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Accommodation: African Bush Camps Somalisa Camp

DAY 4 - MANA POOLS NATIONAL PARK

After breakfast, transfer by road to Mana Pools National Park

This remote park is a designated UNESCO world heritage site whose name comes from a series of four pools, remnants of oxbow lakes, that run parallel to the river. The wide green floodplains attract a wide variety of wildlife, especially immense bull elephants and large numbers of game and if you are lucky, the predators that follow them. Mana is a wonderful location for guided safari walks and canoe safaris.

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Accommodation: African Bush Camps Nyamatusi Camp

DAY 5 - MANA POOLS NATIONAL PARK

Located in the remote, pristine eastern area of Mana Pools National Park on a private concession, Nyamatusi Camp nestles on the banks of one of Africa's most iconic rivers. All tented rooms have panoramic views of the river and feature a private plunge pool.

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Accommodation: African Bush Camps Nyamatusi Camp

DAY 6 - MANA POOLS NATIONAL PARK

Activities on offer here are game drives, guided safari walks (over 16 years of age), canoe excursions (water level dependent), bird watching and shore fishing on a catch and release basis.

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Accommodation: African Bush Camps Nyamatusi Camp

DAY 7 - LAKE KARIBA

Lake Kariba is one of the largest reservoirs in the world. Its sheer size makes it feel like an ocean and it offers dramatic views and spectacular sunsets. It is bordered by some of the finest parks on the planet, with hippo and crocodiles in its atmospheric waters and the drowned trees are birdlife magnets, especially for fish eagles, cormorants and other water birds.

Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch, dinner

Accommodation: African Bush Camps Bumi Hills Safari Lodge

DAY 8 - LAKE KARIBA

With magnificent vistas, Bumi Hills Safari Lodge is the ultimate "rest and relaxation" retreat. Beautiful suites overlook the lake where elephant and buffalo graze on the shoreline alongside zebra, wildebeest, waterbuck and impala. An infinity swimming pool and a spa also offer panoramic views or you can explore the lake by canoe.

The Lodge offers a variety of activities which include game drives, walking safaris and boat tours. The sunset cruise is spectacular and a hide enables guests to observe the animals up close and offers superb bird watching. You can also visit neighbouring villages for an insight into the ancient culture of the Tonga people.

Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch, dinner

Accommodation: African Bush Camps Bumi Hills Safari Lodge

Optional Extras: Spa treatments are at an additional cost

DAY 9 - HARARE AND HOME

After breakfast transfer to Harare Airport for your connection to your international flight home

Included meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Santorini Boutique Hotel

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- All transfers as specified
- Accommodation, meals and local drinks as specified
- Safaris and activities specified
- Gonarezhou Park & conservation fees and guided activities
- English speaking guide

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- International flights
- Zimbabwe and Mozambique visas
- Travel insurance
- Drinks (unless specified)
- Phone calls
- Laundry
- Premium drinks
- Personal purchases
- Tips and gratuities
- Any COVID-related testing

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Vaccinations are recommended for Zimbabwe. Please consult your doctor for advice.
- US Passport holders require a visa to visit Zimbabwe.
- Please let The Big Safari Company know prior to travelling if you have any medical needs or take any medication that we need to be made aware of to ensure that you have a safe and pleasant tour.
- Cancellation 90 - 0 days prior to departure: cancellation fee is 100%. It is your responsibility to ensure the correct travel insurance in place to protect you against the need to cancel your holiday. Deposits are non-refundable. Balance payments due 14 weeks prior to departure.
- Further terms and conditions apply and will be provided upon request or at the time of booking. The Big Safari Company reserves the right to withdraw any offer prior to accepting a reservation request. This does not affect your statutory rights. This offer is subject to availability and space is limited.

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