



SOUTHERN AFRICA BESPOKE FAMILY SAFARI





Safari Overview

Visualize your journey



Summary

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- 4) Day 7 - 10: The Saxon Hotel, Villas And Spa, Johannesburg
- 5) Day 10 - 12: Mpala Jena Camp, Zambezi National Park
- 6) Day 12 - 15: Linkwasha Safari Lodge, Hwange National Park
- 7) Day 15 - 18: Nyamatusi Mahogany, Mana Pools National Park

Trip Summary

A Note About Your Itinerary: An extravaganza of culture, wildlife and active adventures for a family who wants to fully delve into Southern Africa, rather than merely observing!

As you begin to dream & move forward with this amazing adventure... a few notes...

- **Three Gorgeous Safari Lodges Wildly Unique & Different Areas with the Best Big Five Game Viewing.** On safari at *the best* in South Africa with top safari accommodations, guides, locations, cuisine, wine, spas and more at Singita, and then moving onto the wilder areas of Hwange, and finally onto Mana Pools, both in Zimbabwe...where your safari (while super luxe and VERY comfortable) is an experience of the "*real Africa!*" with a variety of activities on safari from game viewing by day, to night drives with a spotlight, walking safaris, as well as boating safaris by canoe.
- **Three Days to Play/Explore/Hike/Surf & more in Cape Town...**one of the World's Most Spectacular Small Cities. Staying at **The Silo** – superbly designed Boutique hotel on the Waterfront. The Silo Hotel has been built in the grain elevator portion of a historic grain silo complex, occupying six floors above the Zeitz MOCAA (Museum of Contemporary Art Africa). Zeitz MOCAA houses Africa's largest collection of contemporary African art.
 - **While in Cape Town:**
 - Hike to the top of Table Mountain - suited to avid, regular hikers, for hiking up the mountain, we recommend an early morning start to the day in order to make the most of the views as the sun is coming up.
 - Surf the Cape - Learn to Surf with a Local Legend at Surfers Corner in Muizenberg about a half hour from Cape Town
 - Explore Kalk Bay - Meet the Resident Seals & Fishing Folk
 - Explore with Penguins - Stand Up Paddle, Kayak or Conservation Walk near Boulders, Simon's Town
 - A cooking class with our friend Gamidah who will choose a few Cape Malay specialties and you'll cook & have lunch with her in her home kitchen as she shares stories of the Cape Malay
- **Two iconic guides while in Johannesburg.** Both will give your family two very different days out and a different approach to South African history!
 - Day one is all about the contemporary struggles of the South African people including a visit to a local school project and more...
 - Day two get your *Indiana Jones on* - exploring some of the oldest remains found on the planet including access to a live dig site!
 - Take in a professional game of either rugby, soccer, or cricket... fingers crossed if one is playing while you are in town, we'll do our best to score the tickets.



Safari Overview

Detailed Itinerary

Day 1

Cape Town Immersion - Cape Peninsula - Boulder's Beach Penguins & Surf -
Table Mountain Hike & More

Fly to Cape Town where you are met by our VIP Airport Concierge and assisted with arrival formalities and transferred to your private driver who transfers you to the hotel. Afternoon at leisure to explore the beauty of Cape Town.

The Silo Hotel

Day 2

After breakfast, your private guide will meet you at the hotel and you'll head out straight to Muizenberg for a surf lesson! Enjoy some time in the waves before a hot chocolate/coffee in Kalk Bay before heading over to see the penguins.

Surf the Cape - Surf with a Local Legend

Surf - Learn to Surf at Surfers Corner, Muizenberg

Explore Kalk Bay - Meet the Resident Seals & Fishing Folk

Explore with Penguins - Stand Up Paddle, Kayak or Conservation Walk near
Boulders, Simon's Town

@TheSiloHotel Royal Suite

Day 3

Enjoy a full-day of explorations including Table Mountain and Urban Cape Town.

Explore - The Iconic Table Mountain (hike one way and cable car one way)

Explore - Urban exploring the colorful streets of Bo Kaap to the Historic

Company Gardens & Cooking Class & Lunch in Bo-Kaap with Gamidah

Bike - Cycle Between Art Installations with locals on the Sea Point Promenade

The Silo Hotel

Day 4 - 7

On Safari: game drives, bush walks and more

Fly by scheduled charter flight to Singita Sweni. On safari in the afternoon, plus two full days on safari. Almost-guaranteed sightings of "Big Five" (lion, leopard, rhino, elephant and African buffalo) on safari in this Greater Kruger region private game reserves, in open landrovers, with a professional guide and tracker, going off-road by day and by night; as well as safaris on foot as a South Africa

bonus

Singita Sweni Lodge

3 Nights

Day 7 - 10

Urban Exploits, Anthropology & Behind the Scenes of Contemporary South
Africa



Safari Overview

Detailed Itinerary

We are arranging time with South Africa's renowned specialists on the country's contemporary struggles and anthropology -- first a grassroots philanthropist & historian --to spend time with your family.. he'll take you through to the most important spots, behind the scenes including to a township and then get your Indiana Jones on -at the Cradle of Humankind exploring some of the oldest remains found on the planet including access to a live dig site!

The Saxon Hotel, Villas And Spa

3 Nights

Day 10 - 12

Victoria Falls - The Smoke that Thunders!

Fly to Victoria Falls, by way of Johannesburg. You are met and driven to your hotel. At leisure to enjoy the activities at the Falls including a walking tour of the Falls & an evening on the Zambezi River as the sun sets.

While at Victoria Falls' enjoy adrenaline producing thrills such as micro-lighting, zip-lining, rafting, bungee jumping or hanging over the edge of Victoria Falls at the Devil's Pool to get the heart pumping.

Mpala Jena Camp

2 Nights

Day 12 - 15

Hwange - Big Five safari via safari vehicle and bush walks

Fly out to Hwange National Park . Afternoon on safari, plus two more full days on safari by foot and landrover with top safari guides. Track predators in Hwange

National Park's vast 124 square mile wilderness of teak woodlands, waterholes frequented by massive herds of elephants and buffalo, home to all of the Big Five except rhino.

Linkwasha Safari Lodge

3 Nights

Day 15 - 18

Mana Pools National Park - Game drives and walks in this park located on the bank of the Zambezi River - Canoeing - Fishing - Birding

Fly to Mana Pools, Zimbabwe for a safari on the Zambezi River. Afternoon on safari and two more full days on safari by landrover, canoe, and on foot. Enjoy the valley and escarpments with huge Acacia trees and herds of elephant and other game.

Nyamatusi Mahogany

3 Nights



Safari Overview

Detailed Itinerary

Day 19

Fly by private charter late morning to Harare where you are met and assisted for your flight out or onto Johannesburg to head homewards!



Cape Town

Area Overview

Cape Town is a true fan favorite, with its exciting Mediterranean vibe, amazing culinary scene, beautiful Cape Dutch architecture, thriving art community, and successful sports teams – all set to the backdrop of iconic Table Mountain and the turbulent waters of the Atlantic Ocean. It is no wonder it is called The Mother City. This vibrant, trendy city has broad appeal. Local attractions include Table Mountain, Robben Island, the V&A Waterfront, Bo-Kaap, boutique shops, numerous museums, wineries, and world famous restaurants. For those venturing beyond the city, the Cape Winelands and Cape Peninsula are a day trip away.

Cape Town's rich cultural heritage dates back more than 300 years and its diversity is evident in the city's architecture, art, and food. It is the second most populous city in South Africa and sits at the southwest tip of Africa.



The Silo Hotel

Property Overview

The Silo Hotel is an exclusive five star hotel towering above the V&A Waterfront, surrounded by the natural wonder of South Africa's Mother City. This magical hotel is a celebration of art, style, architecture, and design.

The Silo Hotel has been built in the grain elevator portion of a historic grain silo complex, occupying six floors above the Zeitz MOCAA (Museum of Contemporary Art Africa). Zeitz MOCAA houses Africa's largest collection of contemporary African art.

There are 28 rooms, including a spectacular one bedroom penthouse. Each room has been individually designed and decorated by the stylish wand of owner Liz Biden. Colourful and eclectic pieces juxtapose the modern, industrial architecture. Each room has a private balcony and a unique collection of contemporary African art.

Experience & Activities

The Silo Hotel is located in Cape Town's V&A Waterfront and is the ideal base from which to explore all that the city has to offer. At the hotel itself, guests can relax at the spa, take afternoon tea overlooking Table Mountain, quaff champagne, swim in the rooftop pool, work off the city's fine dining in the gym, or enjoy a guided tour of the hotel's private art collection containing over 300 pieces of contemporary African art.



The Silo Hotel

Accommodation

Royal Suite

The two-bedroom, triple aspect Royal Suites face the Atlantic Ocean, Robben Island and the distant mountains. Each Royal Suite is 132m² (1421ft²) in size and each has two bedrooms, a large living and dining area and a generous balcony.

Fast Facts

Highlights

- 360 views from Robben Island to Table Mountain
- Remarkable architecture and design
- Located above Zeitz MOCAA on the V&A Waterfront
- World-class beaches
- Wine tasting
- Cape Malay cuisine in the Bo-Kaap District
- Tailored art tours

Quick facts

- 28 rooms
 - Central location
 - Spa & gym
 - Rooftop swimming pool
 - Rooftop bar/restaurant
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Kruger Park

Area Overview

At 19,500 km² (7,500 mi²), the world-renowned Kruger National Park is the largest national park in South Africa, and also the oldest in all of Africa. Given its size, numerous airports, and excellent access road, Kruger and its surrounding private game reserves are an attractive option for many travelers.

Kruger is best known for its high wildlife density, including the Big Five (lion, leopard, rhino, elephant, and buffalo). Hundreds of other mammals and unique bird species also make their home in Kruger. Mountains, plains, and tropical forests are all part of the landscape, ensuring both scenic and exciting game drives.



Singita Sweni Lodge

Property Overview

Tucked into the banks of the Sweni River, this intimate lodge is a hidden jewel that provides a bold, new African context for contemporary design, architecture and cuisine. Singita Sweni hosts only seven suites, with decks that seem to hover in the branches and bold interiors that are inspired by beetles, chameleons and birds' wings, and neutrals that draw in the light.

Guests have private access to 33,000 acres of pristine wilderness in the world-renowned Kruger National Park, ensuring unforgettable game-viewing experiences. With the lodge's proximity to the river, guests are also treated to up-close sightings of numerous animals and birds frequenting the area to drink or wallow in the water.

Experience & Activities

Journeying into the heart of Africa's most untouched and remote wilderness areas, Singita's twice-daily game drives present the opportunity for intimate connections with nature and discovering the raw beauty of the continent's most magnificent creatures up close. Each tailor-made exploration with your personal field guide celebrates the freedom to spend unfiltered time in wide-open spaces and while no two Singita game drives are ever the same, you are bound to be enchanted by vivid encounters with Africa's most iconic wildlife.

In addition to game drives and guided safari walks, other activities include wine experiences, stargazing, the boutique & gallery, the swimming pool, fitness and wellness centres, and a variety of family friendly activities.



Singita Sweni Lodge

Accommodations

Pool Suite

The pool suite is hidden among a canopy of trees, featuring an open-plan interior and its own private pool. The suite has a generously stocked minibar, two bathrooms and an outdoor shower overlooking the river that adds to the feeling of being enveloped by an ancient forest. There is an outdoor day bed where you can spend a night under the stars. Pool Suite guests enjoy private game drives and walking safaris.

Fast Facts

During your stay you are likely to see...

Leopard
Lion
Large herds of buffalo
Elephant
Sharpe's Grysbok
Hyena
Hippopotamus
Nyala
Cheetah
Wild dogs
Many types of birds

Amenities

There is a swimming pool in the main lodge area.

Spa and fitness centre facilities are available.

Singita Boutique & Gallery.

There is a television at the Singita Boutique & Gallery.

Dependent upon area coverage, there is mobile phone signal.

There is complimentary internet (WiFi) access, however due to the remote location of the lodge, the wireless connection can be slow and intermittent.

Electricity/power available: 220V. Converters are also available and hair dryers are supplied in each suite.

Children of all ages are welcome. There are baby-sitting services available and tailor-made activities to suit each family.

In the interest of safety, participation of children in game activities is at the discretion of your guide.



Johannesburg

Area Overview

Johannesburg, affectionately referred to by locals as “Jozi” or “Joburg,” is the largest city in South Africa and one of the 50 largest urban areas in the world. Though not traditionally a tourist destination, Johannesburg is a transit point for connecting domestic and international flights and has become a cultural hub, with museums, theaters, art galleries, and libraries. There are opportunities for shopping at upmarket shopping centers like Sandton City, the Mall of Africa, and Nelson Mandela Square and, for souvenirs and African art, at flea markets like Oriental Plaza and the Rosebank Flea Market.

Johannesburg is the home of the Constitutional Court, the highest court in South Africa, and tours to the Apartheid Museum often combine a visit to Constitution Hill. Other attractions include former townships like Alexandra and Soweto where visitors learn about South Africa’s apartheid history. The Mandela Museum, located in the former home of Nelson Mandela, is located in Soweto.



The Saxon Hotel, Villas And Spa

Property Overview

The Saxon Hotel, Villas and Spa is perfectly situated to explore the many gems of Africa's financial capital, Johannesburg – a vibrant world-class city with a fascinating mix of expressive art, eclectic culture, awe-inspiring landscapes and intriguing history. Set within a magnificent 10 acres of land, surrounded by lush gardens, this luxury hotel offers an exclusive escape where each and every detail has been considered to guarantee your absolute comfort.

Experiences & Activities

The Saxon Spa is a sanctuary for the senses nestled in unique surroundings of cascading water features and influences of copper and Himalayan salts.

The Saxon's fine dining restaurant, Qunu, offers a modern African table, where local and international flavours meet to inspire unique, vibrant, and entertaining culinary experiences.

Accommodations

Nelson Mandela Platinum Suite

The stately African décor of this premier suite is the epitome of the elegance for which the Saxon is renowned.



The Saxon Hotel, Villas And Spa

This stately suite features an entrance, guest bathroom, guest suite, separate lounge, dining room and business area with business desk. The master bedroom has a king size bed, separate bathroom with separate bath, walk-in shower and steam room. There is a fully equipped butler's kitchen and 24-hour dedicated butler service. The suite offers views of the gardens and pool terrace.

Fast Facts

Highlights

At the heart of the City of Gold, beneath the warm sunshine in the opulent, tree-lined suburb of Sandhurst, lies the enchanting Saxon Hotel. A uniquely perfect blend of rich cultural history and contemporary five-star service, the Saxon is situated on ten acres of magnificent indigenous gardens, providing a private and peaceful retreat like no other.

Quick facts

Iconic South African hotel

Only 53 rooms, several room types on offer

24 hour security

10 acres of gardens in the middle of the city

Location close to city center

Spa on-site

Fine Dining restaurant Qunu

Beautiful pools



Zambezi National Park

Area Overview

Zambezi National Park lies on the southern banks of the Zambezi River, west of the tourist center of Victoria Falls. At over 100,00 acres, the reserve is part of a huge conservation area that extends westward across Botswana and beyond to Zambia, Namibia, and Angola. The area is dominated by beautiful teak and mopane woodlands and wildlife abounds. Elephants, buffalo, hippos, and crocodiles are common, and lion, leopard, and wild dog can also be found. The birding is exceptional with species like the shy African finfoot being fairly common along the quiet river banks.

There are plenty of ways to experience this wildlife haven, from walks to game drives to enjoying a sundowner cruise down the Zambezi River.



Mpala Jena Camp

Property Overview

Mpala Jena Camp is located on a private concession within the Zambezi National Park. The camp is named after the natural spring-line, Mpala Jena, which runs through the centre of the concession, and which attracts an abundance of wildlife throughout the year, particularly during the drier months.

"Mpala Jena" means "White Impala" and according to the local National Park rangers, at the time when the Zambezi National Park was separated from the Victoria Falls National Park and declared a National Park in its own right in 1979, there had been regular sightings of a "ghost-like" albino impala along the river in this area.

Mpala Jena overlooks a beautiful stretch of the Zambezi River shoreline. There are three guest tents and two family tents, all positioned under the dappled shade of a mixture of indigenous trees, including *Kigelia Africana* (sausage tree), *Lonchocarpus capassa* (rain tree), and *Syzygium cordatum* (water berrytree).

Experience & Activities

Activities available from Mpala Jena camp include visiting the iconic Victoria Falls, boating on the Zambezi River, and wildlife drives in Zambezi National Park. The Zambezi National Park has a healthy and ever increasing number of wildlife species, with higher concentrations of buffalo and elephant during the months June through to October.



Mpala Jena Camp

Accommodations

2-bedroom Family Tent

The two family tents are located on the banks of the Zambezi River with views of the river frontage. Each family tent consists two bedrooms both of which have an en-suite bathroom facility, indoor shower, separate loo, and double basins. Decking in front of the tent leads to views of the calming and peaceful flowing waters of the Zambezi River.

Fast Facts

Highlights

Located in a private concession in Zambezi National Park

Easy access to the iconic Victoria Falls

Quick facts

3 guest tents and two 2-bedroom family tents

Plunge pool

Restaurant



Hwange National Park

Area Overview

Hwange National Park is situated in western Zimbabwe and is the country's premier game reserve. With easy road and flight access from both Victoria Falls and Bulawayo, the reserve is extremely popular with both local and international tourists. Hwange is renowned for its huge elephant and buffalo herds, sable and other rare antelope as well as an excellent concentration of large predators including lion, leopard, wild dog, hyena, and cheetah. Birders will find plenty to keep them busy with over 400 species of birds recorded and the park is especially known for its spectacular sunsets.

At almost three million acres, Hwange is a huge wilderness area open to Botswana on its western side, allowing wildlife to traverse across countries and making it extremely valuable for the conservation of large mammals like elephant, lion, and buffalo.



Linkwasha Safari Lodge

Property Overview

Linkwasha is a luxurious camp that lies in a private concession in the enormously productive south-eastern corner of Hwange National Park. Situated on the edge of the famed Ngamo Plains, which offers fantastic summer game viewing, the camp looks over a magnificent plain and a pan that is a magnet for game year round, especially in the dry winter months.

The fresh, open and airy design of Linkwasha Camp is complemented by an eclectic mix of contemporary interiors. Eight sumptuous en-suite tents and one family unit offer incredible views, while the main area – including multi-level decks, a pool area and a winter lounge complete with library – overlooks the prolific waterhole.

Experience & Activities

With access to two of the best private concessions in Hwange, game drives at Linkwasha are particularly exciting, taking in herds as well as the carnivores that call the area home. Hwange was proclaimed some 80 years ago and has served as a haven for one of the densest concentrations of game in Africa. There is no better way to experience this park than on foot with one of the experienced safari guides.

There is something incredibly thrilling about being hidden out of sight while animals like elephant go about their day, splashing in the waters and drinking, completely oblivious to your presence. The sunken hide in front of camp, is the ideal place to set up for an afternoon, a secret spot to watch the comings and goings of wildlife.



Linkwasha Safari Lodge

Accommodations

Family Tent

One family canvas unit consisting of two rooms (a main bedroom and a living room that can be converted into a second bedroom) each with their own bathroom. On request the main bedroom, with two three quarter beds (can be converted to a king-size bed on request) while the living room/2nd bedroom can accommodate two beds for children. The main bathroom has a shower and bathtub and the second bathroom has a shower and single vanity basin.

Fast Facts

Highlights

The most exclusive camp in Hwange

Easy access to prime game-viewing areas in incredibly productive private concessions

Longest, most steadfast commitment to Hwange's conservation and communities

Quick facts

8 twin-bedded canvas tents with en-suite facilities as well as one family unit with interconnected rooms

Situated in a private concession in the best location in Hwange

Overlooks a pan that is a magnet for wildlife

Eclectic mix of contemporary interiors and Ndebele culture

Main area includes a cosy library, fireplace, and shaded salas surrounding an inviting pool

Nearby romantic Star Bed looks onto a productive waterhole



Mana Pools

Area Overview

Mana Pools is an almost 500,000 acre national park and one of the most iconic in all of Africa. A photographer's paradise, its beautiful setting of endless Ana forests along the Zambezi River provides a scenic backdrop for a huge variety of wildlife that congregate here in the dry season.

Mana means "four" in the local Shona language and refers to four permanent pools that are a mecca for game viewing. Activities are mostly conducted along the river area with some of the best walking in all of Africa. You can get up close to big elephant bulls or even follow African wild dogs on the hunt. Enjoy a slow game drive or take a canoe or boat to see huge pods of hippos, along with a plethora of bird species including the African fish eagle. Fishing is excellent and there is no better place to watch endless wildlife activity while winding down the day with a drink in hand.



Nyamatusi Mahogany

Property Overview

Nyamatusi Mahogany, is the perfect luxury safari experience for families. Consisting of two tented suites and two family suites nested under ancient Mahogany trees on the lush shores of the mighty Zambezi River, the camp has been designed with style and serenity in mind. Mana Pools, known as one of the last pioneer parks lying in the great African Rift valley, is an explorers' paradise. Here, guests are able to experience the raw power of nature when canoeing down the Zambezi River, or watch a wildlife extravaganza unfold on game drives.

Solar-powered and built from all-natural materials, your experience at Nyamatusi Mahogany is powered by nature. The lounge, dining room, fire circle, plunge pool and elevated viewing decks flaunt uninterrupted views of the pristine river, floodplain and escarpment beyond. The camp's thoughtful, bespoke design embodies the style and serenity of its pristine surrounds.

Experience & Activities

Mana Pools, known as one of the last pioneer parks lying in the great African Rift valley, is an explorers' paradise. Set within a private concession in Mana Pools National Park, you can expect the utmost flexibility in activities. Experience the majesty of nature when canoeing down the Zambezi River, fishing on the Zambezi River (catch and release only) or birding safaris – all possible on your Mana Pools family safari.



Nyamatusi Mahogany

Accommodations

Family Suite

Nyamatusi Mahogany has two spacious family tented suites. Each suite has its own uninterrupted view of the Zambezi River, en suite facilities, indoor bath tub and shower, private deck and shared plunge pool.

Fast Facts

Highlights

Family-focused, eco conscious safari camp

Located on the banks of the Zambezi River

Activities include morning & afternoon game drives, walking safaris, bird watching, catch and release fishing & Canoeing
The Ngwana Club for kids

Quick facts

4 rooms (including 2 family rooms)

Maximum 12 people

Pool

En suite

Bar

Solar power

Battery charging facilities in rooms

Private deck

Indoor/outdoor shower

Private plunge pool

Guide tent

Air conditioning

Roll top bath

Child policy: All ages



Safari Costs

Total per person cost based on 5 guests travelling in shared accommodation: \$35,000USD

This cost includes:

- * Meet, greet, and assistance in Johannesburg and Cape Town on arrival and departure

- * All airport, airstrip, & lodge transfers

- * Accommodations as per the itinerary

- * Breakfast while in Johannesburg, Cape Town, and Victoria Falls

- * All meals while on safari

- * Internal Flights (Cape Town-Singita-Kruger-Johannesburg-Victoria Falls-Hwange-Mana Pools-Harare-Johannesburg) - subject to change until ticketed

Business Class on the following flights: Johannesburg-Victoria Falls; Harare-Johannesburg

- * A full-day with your private guide in Cape Town for the family with a hike on Table Mountain, a cooking class in a private home Bo Kaap and enjoying a traditional lunch, and biking; includes lunch at a local eatery

- * A half-day, Privately guided surf day to include surfing at Muizenberg, Kalk Bay, and stand up paddle, kayak near penguins

- * Privately guided in Johannesburg with Robin Binkes, on the first day you are there including visiting Soweto, the Apartheid museum, and a local school project Robin has set up.

- * One day Privately guided to Cradle of Humankind just outside of Johannesburg with Howard Geach -specialist in paleo-anthropology exploring caves & and hands-on access to the Malapa dig site which is closed to the public but Howard has special access to get you in. This is an active dig site where the famous Australopithecus sediba was unearthed in 2008.

- * \$200 Budget for optional activities at The Falls

- * All Park and Conservation fees

- * Laundry while on safari

- * Fuel surcharges



Safari Costs

- * Safety Fee
- * All service fees & taxes
- * Passenger and public liability insurances
- * Expert guidance & assistance throughout
- * 24-hour on-the-ground assistance
- * International wire payment fees for all flights, transport, hotels, camps and services
- * Customized Final Document Package

This cost does not include:

International flights (except inter-Africa flights; South Africa-Zimbabwe-South Africa included), activities not mentioned such as sporting tickets, drinks not mentioned, tips, visas, travel insurance, items of personal nature or anything not noted in the above including any Covid tests that might be needed at time of travel.