Private Plane Safari

Botswana & Zambia 1

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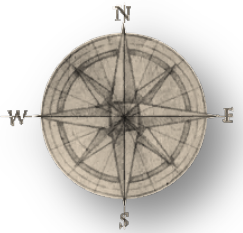
Trip Summary & Routing



LEGEND:	
	Game Reserves/National Parks
	Arrival & Departure Destination

TRIP SUMMARY: 10 NIGHTS / 11 DAYS	
BOTSWANA & ZAMBIA	
Day 1, 2 & 3	Chiefs Camp, Okavango Delta
Day 4 & 5	Chobe Chilwero Lodge, Chobe National Park
Day 6 & 7	Sussi & Chuma Lodge, Bordering Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park, Livingstone
Day 8, 9 & 10	Puku Ridge Tented Camp, South Luangwa National Park
Day 11	Depart for home from Johannesburg International Airport

Safari starts in Johannesburg, South Africa

Private charter flight to Chief's Camp, Okavango Delta - stop off en-route in Maun to clear customs and immigration.

Okavango Delta – Chief's Camp – 3 Nights

Included: All meals, local beverages, laundry service, daily activities, private guide & private vehicle

Okavango Delta

A maze of sparkling lagoons, meandering channels with papyrus-fringed banks and overgrown islands teeming with wildlife, Botswana's Okavango Delta lies like a sparkling jewel spread over the thirstlands and heart of the Kalahari Desert. The core protected area of the Okavango is the 1 million acre Moremi Game Reserve, the first nature reserve proclaimed by an African tribe on their own land and named in honour of one of the early chiefs. The central part of the Reserve is dominated by the 250 000 acre Chief's Island which used to be the sacred hunting ground of the tribal chiefs. Explore the Okavango Delta on game drives, while mokoro (dug-out canoe) trips are seasonal and motorised boat excursions and bush walks are offered in some areas only.

Named after Chief Moremi, Sanctuary Chief's Camp is located in the world-renowned Moremi Game Reserve. Chief's Island is one of the many islands created by the seasonal floodwaters of the Okavango Delta and is well-known for some of the finest game viewing in Southern Africa. The ten luxury thatch and tented bush suites are nestled in a jackalberry and sausage tree woodland, each boasting their own private dining area, outside seating area, plunge pool, and beautiful bathrooms which offer a spacious outdoor shower and a large bath tub. The main area houses a bar area, orientation room, fitness centre, swimming pool, sitting room, curio shop, library, reception and both indoor and outdoor dining areas. Chief's Camp Website

Private charter flight to Chobe National Park.

Chobe National Park – Chobe Chilwero Lodge – 2 Nights

Included: All meals, local beverages, laundry service, daily activities, private guide & private vehicle

Chobe National Park

This National Park was proclaimed in 1967 and its 2,75 million acres is home to arguably the largest single elephant population in Africa (65 000) along with a host of other herbivores and carnivores. The habitat is mostly broad-leaved woodland with most of the game concentrating along the Chobe River – itself a tributary of the Zambezi – in the north of the park. This river forms the international boundary with Namibia and its confluence with the Zambezi a few miles downstream of the town of Kasane is unique in being the meeting point of 4 countries – namely Botswana, Namibia, Zambia and Zimbabwe. Game-viewing activities include game drives, boat trips and fishing (the latter in Namibian waters).

Chobe Chilwero Lodge

Sitting above the Chobe River, this small 'boutique lodge' comprises just 15 spacious chalets and offers unparalleled panoramic views across the islands and floodplains. Each chalet features a private garden with a hammock as well as en-suite facilities that include a bath, indoor and outdoor shower. The public areas offer extensive indoor and outdoor dining areas, a library with satellite television, a curio shop, swimming pool and spa. Chobe Chilwero Lodge Website

Private charter flight to Livingstone, Zambia – followed by a road transfer to the lodge.

Bordering Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park, Livingstone – Sussi & Chuma Lodge – 2 Nights

Included: All meals, local beverages, laundry service, daily activities, private guide & private vehicle

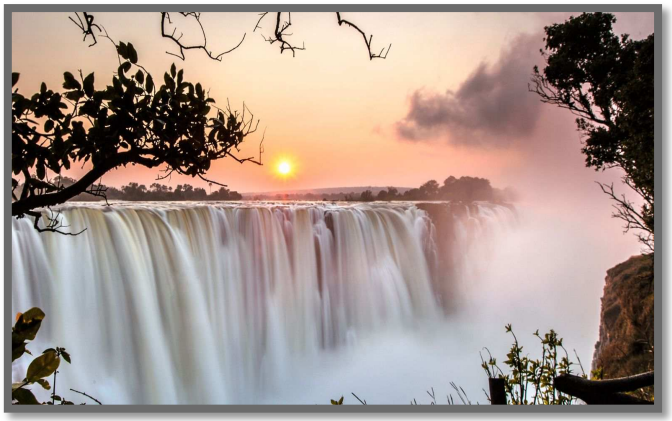
Livingstone and Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park

The town of Livingstone has become Zambia's tourist capital. It is a bustling town of 200 000 people and is the only place in the country that has maintained its name given by the British when the country was a colony, all other names having been changed to local African names since independence. This is testament to the reverence with which the local people still hold the name of David Livingstone, the famous missionary / doctor / explorer who spent a lot of time in the area and was the first European to see the Falls, naming them in honour of Queen Victoria. Most visitors are drawn to the historic town for Victoria Falls, but the town has attractions of its own, most notably an interesting colonial history combined with a very African ambience. The Livingstone Museum, housing a collection of David Livingstone memorabilia including letters, clothing, and medicine box, is the oldest museum in Zambia. Highlights also include Tonga ritual artifacts, a life-size model African village, and displays depicting the transition to independence. There are a number of adventure sports in and around Livingstone and the Falls and river cruises on the Zambezi.

Livingstone is situated a short distance from the Victoria Falls, the largest single waterfall in the world by volume in peak flood and a member of the old Seven Natural Wonders of the World (the new Seven Wonders excludes this waterfall). Described by the Kololo tribe living in the area in the 1800's as 'Mosi-oa-Tunya' – meaning 'The smoke that thunders' – Victoria Falls are a spectacular sight on the Zambezi River, bordering Zambia and Zimbabwe. Columns of spray can be seen from many miles away as 750 000 tons of water plummet over the edge every minute at the height of the flood season. The Falls are 1 mile (1,5km) wide and average 330 feet (100m) high. The wide basalt cliff, over which the falls thunder, transforms the Zambezi from a wide placid river to a ferocious torrent cutting through a series of dramatic gorges. Facing the Falls is another sheer wall of basalt, rising to the same height and capped by mist-soaked rain forest. A path along the edge of the forest provides the visitor who is prepared to brave the tremendous spray with an unparalleled series of views of the Falls. One special vantage point is across the Knife-Edge Bridge where visitors can have the finest view of the Eastern Cataract and the Main Falls as well as the Boiling Pot where the river turns and heads down the Batoka Gorge. Other vantage points include the Falls Bridge and the Lookout Tree that commands a panoramic view across the Main Falls. Mosi-oa-Tunya NP, a protected area of 16,500 acres literally abuts the town and is home to a wide diversity of animals – including the country's only white rhino – but lacks predators.

Sussi & Chuma Lodge

This beautiful lodge comprises 12 luxury 'tree-houses' that are built into the canopy of majestic ebony trees lining the river bank, 12 km's upstream of the Victoria Falls. The air-conditioned rooms all with their own private viewing deck boast superb views over the white waters of the Zambezi. The main lodge commands prime position overlooking a magnificent stretch of rapids and comprises a lounge, bar, dining room, pool, spa, and numerous decks overlooking the river. Sussi & Chuma Lodge Website



Road transfer to Livingstone International Airport, connecting by private charter flight to Mfuwe Airport, followed by a road transfer to the camp.

South Luangwa National Park – Puku Ridge Tented Camp – 3 Nights

Included: All meals, local beverages, laundry service, daily activities, private guide & private vehicle

South Luangwa National Park

The Luangwa Valley – comprising a number of National Parks of which South Luangwa NP is considered to have the finest game viewing – is the gem in Zambia's tourist crown. The region is home to 60 mammals and over 400 bird species. The lifeblood of the valley is, of course, the Luangwa River – considered to be one of Africa's last virgin rivers with no disturbance or off-take from source to mouth – that supports high densities hippo and crocodile

and an equally impressive array of bird and mammal species along its banks. It is renowned for it's leopard, lion, buffalo and elephant sightings in addition to rare birds such as the Pel's fishing-owl. The Luangwa is flanked by mopane woodland, scrub, savannah and low hills that result in this high biodiversity.

Puku Ridge Camp

Perched on an escarpment overlooking a floodplain, the intimate Puku Ridge Camp offers stunning vistas with perfect game sighting opportunities. Constructed to blend into their surroundings, each of Puku Ridge's seven luxury tents have wrap-around views of the floodplains. Generous and comfortable, each tent has an en-suite bathroom with bath tub and shower, as well as an outdoor shower, and a private viewing deck. Puku Ridge Camp Website

Road transfer to Mfuwe Airport, followed by private charter flight to O.R. Tambo International Airport, Johannesburg

The Safari ends in Johannesburg

End of services

Tour is inclusive of the following:

- Private safari guide services for the entire itinerary
- Private vehicle at all safari destinations
- All accommodation costs
- All meals, beverages, game-viewing activities and excursions as detailed in the itinerary
- Laundry costs where this service is included
- Private charter flights throughout the itinerary
- Airport departure taxes for commercial flights
- All road transfers to / from hotels, lodges and airports
- Park and conservation fees
- Local taxes and levies

Tour is exclusive of the following:

- Flights to and from Africa
- Private trip and medical insurance cover
- Visa costs
- Personal purchases
- Telephone, internet, business centre and room service charges
- Meals as noted such as lunch and dinner at city hotels
- Premium beverages (unless otherwise noted)
- Excursions not detailed on the itinerary
- Laundry costs where this service is not included
- Airport departure taxes not included in air ticket cost
- Gratuities
- Any other costs of a personal nature
- Credit Card Fees
- New taxes, levies, fuel or industry increases that are beyond the control of Beat About The Bush Safaris.

Tour is offered in the following options but can be customised for differing party sizes*

Private Tour – 4 People	Private Tour – 6 People
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* Please enquire for confirmed prices due to currency fluctuations.