

AFRICAN BUNDU SAFARIS

NCV – CAPE TOWN TO VICTORIA FALLS

CAMPING

Summary: This 20 day camping adventure is one of the most popular safaris. Setting out from Cape Town, you will begin by experiencing the Cederberg Mountains and beautiful Namaqualand of South Africa. From here you will cross into Namibia to experience the Fish River Canyon, Sossusvlei Dunes, Swakopmund as well as the Etosha NP. Crossing then into Botswana, you will venture into the wilderness of the Okavango Delta as well as spending time spotting animals in the Chobe National Park. From here, journey up to the mighty Victoria Falls where you will enjoy the awe inspiring falls and great adventure activities!

Price: R12 950 with a US\$295 local payment. The Local payment is an amount that needs to be paid in cash, in the currency specified, to your guide on the morning of departure. This tour has a R660 compulsory single supplement.

Start/End: Cape Town / Vic Falls

Accommodation: Twin share or single tents. Camping in public campsites, with clean but shared ablutions. Passengers should bring their own towels etc.

Departure Dates: Every Sunday, Monday, Wednesday and Friday starting from the 2 January 2011.

This Safari runs in reverse at a cost of R11 950 per person sharing, US\$295 LP and R660 single supplement. Vic Falls to Cape Town.



Itinerary

Day 1 South Africa – Cederberg Mountain Region

Leaving Cape Town we make our first stop at Table View and take photos of Table Mountain from across Table Bay. This spot is the most popular angle for Table Mountain photos! We then travel to



the Cederberg region for a guided walk after setting up camp. As you make your way through the hills behind camp you will be introduced to some indigenous flora and fauna along with some cave paintings. This afternoon our guide will give a full briefing on the tour.

Meals: Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Gekko's Backpackers

Day 2 Namaqualand – Gariep (Orange) River

An early start, then we head north via the distant town of Springbok, best known for its diamonds, copper and spring flowers. We then proceed to our camp located right beside the Namibian border. The camp is situated on the riverbank that forms the border between South Africa and Namibia. If the current is not too strong you may be able to swim across into Namibia, but you'll have to come back and get your passport stamped if you intend on travelling through the country!

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Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Fiddlers Creek Campsite

Day 3 Namibia – Gariiep (Orange) River - Fish River Canyon

This morning there's the chance to see the beautiful river valley by canoe or just relax at camp.

After lunch we cross the border and travel to the Fish River Canyon. After a scenic walk along the edge of the canyon we enjoy our dinner while watching the sunset.

This is also a fantastic photo opportunity. Optional Activities: Half-Day Canoe Adventure.



Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Hobas Campsite

Day 4 Namib-Naukluft National Park

We arrive at the Namib-Naukluft National Park and set up camp,

then enjoy a short hike into the Sesriem Canyon. Tonight enjoy the star-studded sky and enduring silence of the Namib Desert, only occasionally interrupted by the call of a Jackal or, a rather unique lizard, the barking gecko!

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Sesriem Campsite

Day 5 Sossusvlei Dunes - Namib-Naukluft National Park



This is our earliest morning as we prepare for our hike up Dune 45 to marvel at the sunrise. Later, we join a local expert on a guided hike of the unique desert ecosystem and learn how the bushmen survived in the harsh desert conditions.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Solitaire Campsite



Day 6 Swakopmund

After a brief photo stop while crossing the Tropic of Capricorn, we travel onto Namibia's Atlantic coast and the adventure capital, Swakopmund. Often there are flamingos at the Walvis Bay lagoon, just before we arrive in Swakopmund. You will be briefed on the many optional activities available here and then there is time to explore the town before dinner out at one of the local restaurants. Optional Activities: Dinner out.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Villa Wiese Hostel (Dorm Room)

Day 7 Swakopmund

The whole day is free to relax, explore or partake in one of the many activities available here. Most popular are Quadbiking in the Dunes or Tandem Skydiving. On a clear day's skydiving you can see all the way to the next day's destination! Taking a walk around Swakopmund's shops and having a leisurely lunch is also a great way to spend your day. Optional Activities: Quad



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biking, Sand boarding, Sky Diving, Dolphin Cruise, Scenic Flights, Fishing, Dinner out etc.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Overnight: Villa Wiese Hostel (Dorm Room)

Day 8 Spitzkoppe

Leaving the coast we drive through arid landscapes to Spitzkoppe Mountain. The enormous limestone monoliths dominate the otherwise flat landscape and we set up camp in the wild plain at the base. This afternoon there is an included walk to explore the unique rock formations and san rock art. The more adventurous among us may want to try some climbing mountain behind camp for some stunning views of the landscape.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Spitzkoppe Community Campsite

Day 9 Himba Tribes

After some early morning exploration we continue north and drive towards Kamanjab. Today we have the chance to experience life within a Himba tribe. The Himba are a pastoral people and predominantly breed cattle or goats. They are easily recognisable by their unique style of dress. The Himba have been extremely diligent about upholding the roots of their culture, but they are also very curious about visitors to their home.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Kamanjab Camp



Day 10/11 Etosha National Park

Etosha is the venue for some of the most unique game viewing experiences in Africa. The sparse grasslands allow great opportunities to see animals normally hidden in dense vegetation. You may even see some of the amazing animals crossing the road in front of your truck! We will go on various game drives, and spend our evenings at the abundant water holes for some excellent game photography. Optional Activities: Night or Dawn Drives in safari vehicles.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Halali and Okaukuejo

Day 12 Windhoek

After an early morning game drive we set off towards Windhoek, the Capital city of Namibia. On the way we stop at a popular craft market where you can barter for handmade gifts to take home. Windhoek is not only the capital; it is also the cultural, social and economic centre of the Namibia. On arrival in Windhoek there is a short city tour. Joe's Beer House is an exciting dining experience for our optional dinner out. Optional Activities: Dinner out.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Monteiro Campsite

Day 13 Botswana - Ghanzi

An early start, then we cross into Botswana and drive to Ghanzi. After setting up camp we meet

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with a local Bushman (San) community and experience some traditional tribal dancing. There are also some traditional bushman huts that you have the opportunity to stay in for a nominal fee.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Ghanzi Trail Blazers

Day 14 Maun

Our journey takes us from Ghanzi towards Maun. Maun is the gateway to the Okavango Delta and this afternoon we will prepare for this excursion, packing small 2-night bags. There may be opportunity this afternoon to visit the local crocodile farm or take a scenic flight. Optional Activity: Crocodile Farm visit

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Sitatunga Camp



Day 15/16 Maun – Okavango Delta

This morning we board the big 4x4 truck that will take us in to the Delta, in high-water season it is sometimes necessary to take a boat to the poling station where we meet up with the members of a local community who will be showing us their homeland. We spend 2-night bush camping in the wilderness and, if the water level allows, we will take a mokoro (traditional canoe) trip through the waterways. We will also be going on some nature walks in the hope of seeing some wild animals in their natural habitat. Optional Activity: Scenic flight over the Delta (time allowing).



Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Bush Camp

Day 17 Gweta

We leave the Delta behind us and travel east to Planet Baobab. You can explore the bush around our campsite, lounge by the pool and view some of the region's oldest Baobab trees.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Planet Baobab Campsite

Day 18 Botswana - Chobe National Park

We travel to Chobe and this afternoon we take an included sunset river cruise, as the animals are best spotted from the Chobe River. Elephants, Hippo, Crocodiles, Eland and many other creatures reside in Chobe so keep your cameras at the ready.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight: Thebe River Safaris

Day 19 Zimbabwe - Victoria Falls

On arrival in Victoria Falls we have time to plan the next day's adventure activities before we visit the spectacular Victoria Falls and experience the thundering of the mighty Zambezi. An optional dinner out is a friendly way to end



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your tour with all the new friends you've made along the way. Optional Activities: Chobe morning game drive, Sunset Cruise, Dinner out, White Water Rafting, Bungee Jump, Elephant Excursion, Walking with Lions, Horse Riding and much more...



Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight: Savannah Lodge (Dorm Rooms)

Day 20 Victoria Falls

Officially your tour finishes after breakfast but most people will spend the day White Water Rafting, a not-to-be-missed experience of a lifetime! Vic Falls offers many exciting alternatives such as a walk with lions or a bungee jump from the bridge that joins Zimbabwe with Zambia. Optional Activities: White Water Rafting,

Bungee Jump, Elephant Excursion, Walking with Lions, Horse Riding, Dinner out.

Meals: Breakfast
