African Safari & Luxury Rail

SOUTH AFRICA ● ZIMBABWE

The Offer

Prepare for an adventure that hits every high note, from the thundering mist of Victoria Falls to the sophisticated streets of Cape Town. This 17-day journey is a masterclass in African wonder, designed for those who want to seek out the Big Five without sacrificing an ounce of style.

Your expedition begins at the award-winning Victoria Falls Safari Lodge. Picture yourself sipping on a sundowner as elephants wander to the nearby waterhole before you embark on a breathtaking sunset cruise along the Zambezi River. From the spray of the falls, you'll head to the 5-star Ivory Tree Game Lodge in the Pilanesberg Game Reserve. Here, search for lions, leopards and rhinos with expert rangers during exhilarating open-air game drives.

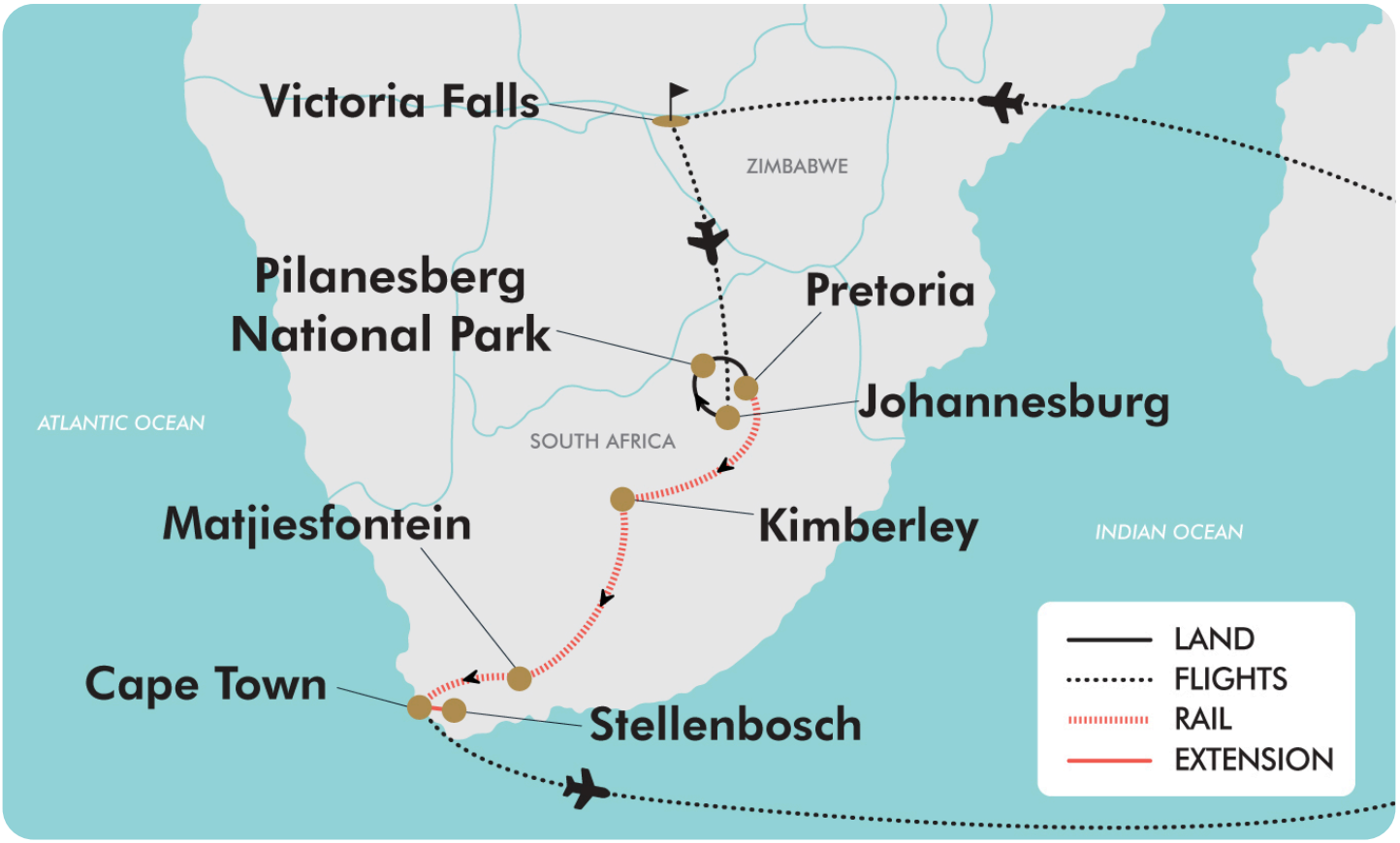
The glamour truly goes up a gear as you board the legendary Rovos Rail. Step back in time on the "Pride of Africa," a restored wood-panelled train where vintage elegance meets modern luxury. Enjoy fine dining and South African vintages as you glide through the Great Karoo, stopping to explore the diamond history of Kimberley.

The grand finale is the "Mother City," Cape Town. Whether you're marveling at nature's power or relaxing in a 5-star lodge, this is the ultimate African odyssey.

This bucket list adventure features return international full-service flights, an internal flight, a 3-night luxury rail experience, 11 nights of accommodation, 26 meals and more.

Choose Itinerary 2 to continue the adventure with a Stellenbosch extension. Immerse yourself in the charming Cape Dutch architecture surrounded by lush vineyards producing internationally recognised wines.

The Map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The Itinerary

Itinerary 1

Day 1 Australia (or New Zealand) - Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Today depart for Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe.

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Flight Scheduling will be outlined in your travel packs 4-6 weeks prior to departure. Some customers may have up to a 7 hour layover in Perth during the daytime.

Meals included: In-Flight

Day 2 Welcome to Victoria Falls!

Upon arrival into Victoria Falls you will be met and transferred to the lodge.

Check-in is from 14:00 onwards and should you arrive earlier, luggage can be stored at the hotel. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore this magnificent lodge and its beautiful surroundings. Situated on a plateau just 4 kilometres from majestic Victoria Falls, the award-winning Victoria Falls Safari Lodge is surrounded by the wilds of Africa and offers an unforgettable experience.

The sunset-facing rooms offer endless views of the African bush stretching to the horizon, which includes a waterhole frequently visited by elephants, buffalo, kudu and other wildlife, as well as a rich variety of birds.

Overnight: Victoria Falls Safari Lodge or similar, Victoria Falls
Meals included: None

Day 3 Victoria Falls - Guided Tour of the Falls - Zambezi Sunset Cruise

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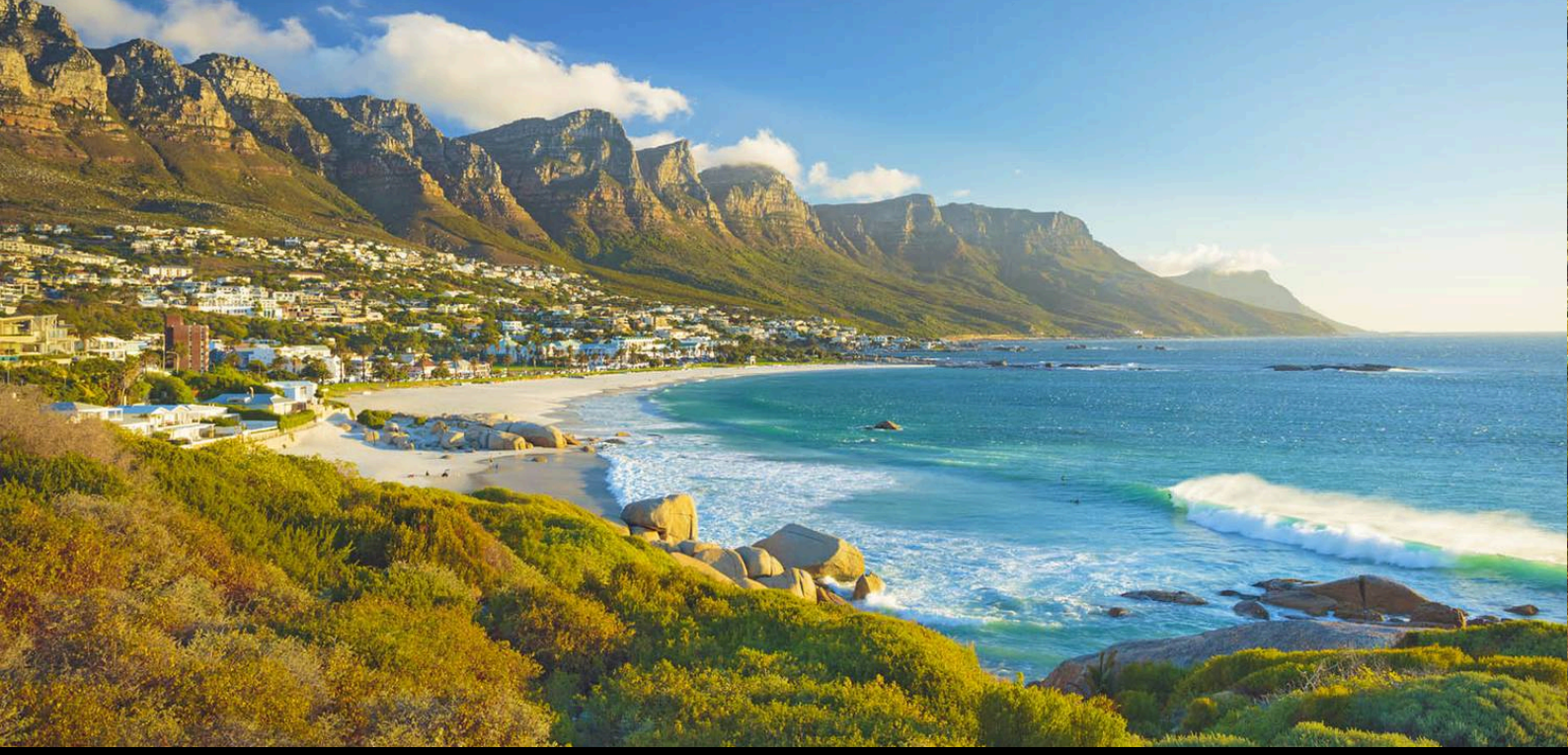
After the tour, return to the lodge. In the late afternoon, you will be transferred to the jetty for an exciting Zambezi Sundowner Cruise. The Zambezi Sunset Cruise is a superb way to relax and enjoy the spectacular beauty of the Zambezi River. Keep your eyes peeled to search for a variety of game including hippo,



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crocodile and elephants, as well as the many different bird species. The cruise includes snacks, beer, wine, local spirits and soft drinks.

Overnight: Victoria Falls Safari Lodge or similar, Victoria Falls
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 4 Victoria Falls - Day at Leisure

Enjoy a full day at leisure, relax at the lodge and make use of the great facilities. You can discover the famous Buffalo Bar, or swim in the two-tiered swimming pool overlooking the bushland. If a relaxing day isn't on the cards, choose to embark on a full day optional Chobe tour.

Optional Activity: Full-Day Chobe Safari Game Drive and Cruise

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Apart from the herds of elephants, Chobe also has lots more to offer. The Park hosts lions, leopards, buffalos and a whole host of antelopes like sable, puku, kudu, eland, roan and many others. The river is filled with big pods of hippos and some of the biggest crocodiles in Africa. Be picked up from your Victoria Falls hotel and transferred to the Kazungula border where a Botswana guide will meet you. Proceed straight to a morning cruise to spend the morning game viewing along the Chobe River. The cruise will end at around midday with a visit to a hotel on the riverbank for lunch (included). After lunch, board safari vehicles for an afternoon game drive in the Chobe National Park. Then its back to the Kazungula Border to be met by the Zimbabwean guide for a return transfer to Victoria Falls arriving in the evening. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Overnight: Victoria Falls Safari Lodge or similar, Victoria Falls
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 5 Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe - Johannesburg, South Africa

Today after breakfast, check-out of the lodge and be transferred to the airport for the flight to Johannesburg, South Africa. Upon arrival, make use of the complimentary shuttle to the hotel and enjoy the rest of the evening at leisure.

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Overnight: Radisson Hotel O.R Tambo Airport or similar, Johannesburg, South Africa
Meals included: Breakfast

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Day 6 Johannesburg - Ivory Tree Game Lodge

Depart at 10:00 this morning to be transferred to your five-star safari lodge in the Pilanesberg Game Reserve (approximately 210 kilometres). Arrive in time for lunch, served at 14:00, followed by your first afternoon game drive. Pilanesberg Game Reserve is set in the crater of a long extinct volcano, and ranks among the largest parks in South Africa. It is situated within the transition zone between the dry Kalahari and the wetter Lowveld vegetation, commonly referred to as Bushveld. Unique overlaps of mammals, birds and vegetation occur because of this transition zone. The fascinating combination of geology, landscape and rainfall gives rise to different patterns of vegetation - wide open grasslands, steep hill slopes, rocky outcrops, wooded valleys, thickets and thickly wooded gorges.

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Overnight: Ivory Tree Game Lodge or similiar, Pilanesberg Game Reserve, South Africa
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 7 Ivory Tree Game Lodge, Pilanesberg National Park

Begin the day with an early morning game drive through the reserve. Game drives are conducted in comfortable, open 4X4 Land Rovers accompanied by professional English speaking field rangers and trackers, ensuring an informative and detailed safari experience. Keep your cameras ready for some incredible photo opportunities. Return to the lodge mid-morning for breakfast and a little R&R before heading out again to search for more wildlife on an evening safari. Afterwards, wind down your evening with a few sundowners before dinner.

Overnight: Ivory Tree Game Lodge or similiar, Pilanesberg Game Reserve, South Africa
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 8 Ivory Tree Game Lodge, Pilanesberg National Park

Discover new and exciting areas of Pilanesberg Game Reserve and its diverse wildlife with another early morning and evening game drives.

Overnight: Ivory Tree Game Lodge or similiar, Pilanesberg Game Reserve, South Africa
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

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Day 9 Ivory Tree Game Lodge - Pretoria - Begin Rovos Rail Journey

After breakfast you will be picked up at 06:00 and transferred to Pretoria, (approximately 160 kilometres). After a welcome reception in Pretoria, board the train where you will begin your luxury three-night rail experience on board the famous Rovos Rail 'Pride of Africa' train, boarding will begin at 09:30. Guests need to be at the station no later than 08:00, please ensure that all baggage is accounted for, as there will not be time to turn around for missing luggage. The Rovos Rail company operates two restored classic trains, each with 20 renovated original coaches - some from before the 1920s!

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Overnight: Rovos Rail's Pride of Africa
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 10 Kimberley

Today, enjoy the scenery as you travel to Kimberley. Breakfast is served between 07:00 and 09:45. At approximately 10:00 you will arrive in Kimberley where you will board a bus for a guided tour of this historical city, including its Diamond Mine Museum and the extraordinary Big Hole on the outskirts of the city.

Return to the train at around 12.30 and enjoy lunch in the dining cars. Continue west onwards to Matjiesfontein this evening.

Overnight: Rovos Rail's Pride of Africa
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 11 Matjiesfontein

This morning, enjoy breakfast served in the dining cars until 10:00. The train travels through the Karoo, a vast semi-desert region that was once an enormous inland sea. Over millions of years, volcanic matter was ground down and deposited as silt upon the seabed to form what geologists call the Karoo system.

After lunch, there is a chance for you to disembark the train at Whitehill Siding and walk the 5 kilometres into Matjiesfontein. A member of staff will accompany the group. Disembark for an opportunity to stroll through the historic village. Of special interest is the museum on the platform and a collection of historic cars and railway carriages to the right of the Lord Milner Hotel.

Overnight: Rovos Rail's Pride of Africa
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

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Day 12 Matjiesfontein - Cape Town

This morning, enjoy breakfast aboard the train until 09:30 before arriving at Cape Town Station around 10:00. Upon arrival into Cape Town, you will be met and transferred to the hotel where you can enjoy an evening at leisure. The Cape Milner is an oasis in Cape Town where you can enjoy modern comforts away from home. Situated in the trendy central suburb of Tamboerskloof at the foot of Table Mountain, The Cape Milner Hotel is close to the V&A Waterfront as well as the pristine white beaches of Camps Bay and Clifton. The hotel is a short 5-10 minute drive/taxi to the pristine white beaches of Camps Bay and Clifton and 5-8 minute drive/taxi from the V&A Waterfront.

Overnight: Cape Milner Hotel or similiar, Cape Town, South Africa
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 13 Cape Town – Day at Leisure

Enjoy a free day at leisure to experience the vibrant city of Cape Town. Alternatively, you can take part in an optional activity (not included).

Optional Activity: Cape Town Half Day City Tour

Situated below Table Mountain, Devil's Peak and Lion's Head, Cape Town offers a rich cultural and industrial heritage, grand splendour and an assurance of activity & excitement. This optional tour is a geographical and cultural extravaganza, showing you Cape Town, from its historical beginnings to the dazzling, modern city it is today. The tour commences with a visit to Table Mountain (weather permitting; cable car fee not included). Enjoy panoramic views over the Mother City and Robben Island in the distance lying sleepily in Table Bay harbour. In the heart of the city enjoy a short walk through the Company Gardens. From squirrels to a variety of plant life, it's just a happy place to soak up some 'Cape Town vibes' and enjoy the aviaries and fishponds.

On the Wale Street end of the garden you will find a monument which was created to commemorate the life and work of Desmond Tutu, lovingly referred to by South Africans as "The Arch" and a tribute to the values of the South African Constitution. Arch for Arch was installed beside historic St. Georges Cathedral aka "People's Cathedral" for its role in the resistance against apartheid. Step inside the Slave Lodge which explores the history of these unwilling immigrants and how they have contributed to the richness and diversity of South African history. As you drive through the city you shall get a feel for the cultural melting pot that it is. End the tour with a stop at Truth Café, a 'steampunk inspired' artisan coffee shop serving all hand-roasted coffees in a vintage cast-iron drum (any drinks and meals for own account). Return to your hotel upon completion of the tour where you may enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Overnight: Cape Milner Hotel or similiar, Cape Town, South Africa
Meals included: Breakfast

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Day 14 Cape Town - Full-Day Peninsula Tour

This awe-inspiring tour (approximately 9 hours) to the towering headland known as Cape Point encompasses magnificent beaches, breathtaking views, and picturesque coastal villages. The Cape Peninsula is one of the world's most scenic areas and stretches from the city centre all the way to Cape Point. In Simon's Town you will stop for the chance to see penguins and enjoy some lunch (not included).

Note: The drive via Chapman's Peak is subject to the road being open. Ou Kaapse Weg (mountain pass in Cape Town) will be used as an alternative route when necessary.

Overnight: Cape Milner Hotel or similiar, Cape Town, South Africa
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 15 Cape Town - Day at Leisure

Take this day at your own leisure with the opportunity to explore all that Cape Town has to offer or choose to embark on an optional excursion.

Optional Activity: Full Day Cape Winelands Tour

This morning after breakfast depart on a full day Cape Winelands Tour. This delightful drive winds its way to the heart of the Cape Winelands, through superb mountain ranges, vineyards and Cape Dutch homesteads. Head to the heart of South Africa's wine industry, Stellenbosch. Beautiful and culturally rich, the region is steeped in South African history. Walk down the canal-lined avenues, in the shade of giant oak trees and beautifully preserved historic buildings. Enjoy the first wine tasting of the day at the Waterford Estate or similar.

Travel over the Helshoogte Pass to the town of Franschhoek, historically dating back to the 17th century when the French Huguenots arrived. Billed as the Gourmet Capital of South Africa, this charming town in a most picturesque valley retains a French Huguenot style. Enjoy a wine tasting before enjoying the fabled culinary skills of the Franschhoek chefs at one of the many award winning restaurants (lunch is not included). Onward to Paarl, one of the Cape's first farming districts. The town is set at the foot of the cluster of remarkable granite domes from which it takes its name. The stop for the day is at a wine estate on the Paarl wine route. Return to the bustle of city life after an enthralling day in the countryside, arriving back at the hotel early evening. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Overnight: Cape Milner Hotel or similiar, Cape Town, South Africa
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 16 Cape Town, South Africa - Australia (or New Zealand)

Today you will be transferred to Cape Town Airport for your return flight back to Australia (or New Zealand).

Trip Only option (No international flights)

If you selected the Trip Only option, your tour ends after hotel checkout in Cape Town. You will be responsible for your onward travel arrangements from here.

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Meals included: Breakfast; In-Flight

Day 17 Arrive in Australia (or New Zealand)
Please note: Some flights may arrive +1 day later.

Meals included: None

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Itinerary 2

Day 1 Australia (or New Zealand) - Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

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Overnight: Victoria Falls Safari Lodge or similar, Victoria Falls
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Day 5 Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe - Johannesburg, South Africa

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Day 6 Johannesburg - Ivory Tree Game Lodge

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Day 14 Cape Town - Full Day Peninsula Tour

This awe-inspiring tour (approximately 9 hours) to the towering headland known as Cape Point encompasses magnificent beaches, breathtaking views, and picturesque coastal villages. The Cape Peninsula is one of the world's most scenic areas and stretches from the city centre all the way to Cape Point. In Simon's Town you will stop for the chance to see penguins and enjoy some lunch (not included).

Note: The drive via Chapman's Peak is subject to the road being open. Ou Kaapse Weg (mountain pass in Cape Town) will be used as an alternative route when necessary.

Overnight: Cape Milner Hotel or similiar, Cape Town, South Africa
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 15 Cape Town - Day at Leisure

Take this day at your own leisure with the opportunity to explore all that Cape Town has to offer or choose to embark on an optional excursion. Optional Activity: Full Day Cape Winelands Tour This morning after breakfast depart on a full day Cape Winelands Tour. This delightful drive winds its way to the heart of the Cape Winelands, through superb mountain ranges, vineyards and Cape Dutch homesteads. Head to the heart of South Africa's wine industry, Stellenbosch. Beautiful and culturally rich, the region is steeped in South African history. Walk down the canal-lined avenues, in the shade of giant oak trees and beautifully preserved historic buildings. Enjoy the first wine tasting of the day at the Waterford Estate or similar. Travel over the Helshoogte Pass to the town of Franschhoek, historically dating back to the 17th century when the French Huguenots arrived. Billed as the Gourmet Capital of South Africa, this charming town in a most picturesque valley retains a French Huguenot style. Enjoy a wine tasting before enjoying the fabled culinary skills of the Franschhoek chefs at one of the many award winning restaurants (lunch is not included). Onward to Paarl, one of the Cape's first farming districts. The town is set at the foot of the cluster of remarkable granite domes from which it takes its name. The stop for the day is at a wine estate on the Paarl wine route. Return to the bustle of city life after an enthralling day in the countryside, arriving back at the hotel early evening. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Overnight: Cape Milner Hotel or similiar, Cape Town, South Africa
Meals included: Breakfast

The Itinerary

Itinerary 2

Day 16 Cape Town - Stellenbosch

This morning transfer to the nearby town of Stellenbosch where you will spend the next two nights in your quality guesthouse accommodation.

Check in will be available from 14:00 onwards and luggage storage will be available until check-in. The remainder of the day is free at leisure. Stellenbosch is a university town in South Africa's Western Cape province. It's surrounded by the vineyards of the Cape Winelands and the mountainous nature reserves of Jonkershoek and Simonsberg. The town's oak-shaded streets are lined with cafes, boutiques and art galleries. Cape Dutch architecture gives a sense of South Africa's Dutch colonial history, as do the Village Museum's period houses and gardens. If there's one thing that Stellenbosch is renowned for, it's wine. There are hundreds of estates scattered around the outskirts of the town, many of which produce world-class wines.

Overnight: Bonne Esperance or similar, Stellenbosch
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 17 Stellenbosch - Day at Leisure

Today is free at leisure or alternatively take part in an optional wine tour offered by your hosts (not included). This can be booked through the hotel accommodation upon arrival.

Overnight: Bonne Esperance or similar, Stellenbosch
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 18 Stellenbosch - Cape Town - Australia (or New Zealand)

Today you will be transferred to Cape Town Airport for your return flight back to Australia (or New Zealand).

Trip Only option (No international flights)

If you selected the Trip Only option, your tour ends after hotel checkout in Stellenbosch. You will be responsible for your onward travel arrangements from here.

Meals included: Breakfast; In-Flight

Day 19 Arrive in Australia (or New Zealand)

Please note: Some flights may arrive +1 day later.

Meals included: None

Tour Inclusions

HIGHLIGHTS

- Experience a once-in-a-lifetime small-group tour through South Africa
- Witness the awe-inspiring beauty of Victoria Falls
- Stay at the award-winning Victoria Falls Safari Lodge
- Look out for hippos, crocodiles and elephants on a sunset cruise along the Zambezi River
- Stay a night in Johannesburg, South Africa's capital city
- Go on safari within the magnificent Pilanesberg Game Reserve
- Enjoy three nights on safari at the 5-star Ivory Tree Game Lodge
- Experience up to 5 safari game drives with qualified rangers
- Search for elephants, rhinos, lions, buffalo and leopards in open-air 4x4 vehicles
- Spend 3 nights in a suite on Rovos Rail's luxurious 'Pride of Africa' train
- Travel by rail to Kimberley in the Northern Cape Province
- Visit the Diamond Mine Museum and Kimberley's 'Big Hole'
- Discover the historical village of Matjiesfontein
- Experience a full day Cape Peninsula Tour
- Visit the playful local residents at Simon's Town Penguin Colony
- Relax with a day at leisure in vibrant Cape Town

FLIGHTS

- Return international full-service flights (economy class), surcharges may apply (Excludes Trip Only option)
- One-way internal flight (economy class) from Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe to Johannesburg, South Africa

RAIL

- 3-night luxury rail experience onboard Rovos Rail's Pride of Africa
- All meals plus alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages onboard

ACCOMMODATION

- 8 nights of 4-star hotel accommodation
- 3 nights at a 5-star safari lodge

DINING

- 26 meals included
- Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages onboard the Rovos Rail

ESSENTIALS

- National park entrance fees
- English-speaking guides on day tours
- Qualified safari field rangers and trackers on safari
- Airport taxes and surcharges

TRANSPORT

- Transportation by private air-conditioned vehicles
- Open-air 4x4 vehicles while on safari drives
- Luxury Rovos Rail from Pretoria to Cape Town

TRANSFERS

- Return airport transfers (Excludes Trip Only option)

ITINERARY 2: 19 DAY STELLENBOSCH EXTENSION PACKAGE

All of Itinerary 1 inclusions, plus the following:

- 2 nights in the wine region of Stellenbosch
- Enjoy 2 additional meals
- Discover Stellenbosch with a free day at leisure
- Return transfers from Cape Town to Stellenbosch

Important Information

**Please note: All information provided in this brochure is subject to both change and availability. Prior to purchase please check the current deal for up-to-date information. If you have already purchased this deal, the terms and conditions on your Purchase Confirmation apply and take precedence over the information in this brochure.*

Booking Information

After purchase, you will receive a receipt and a Purchase Confirmation, directing you to an online Passenger Information Form. You must complete the Passenger Information Form within 72 hours of purchase.
Any special requests, preferences and optional extras MUST be clearly stated in your Passenger Information Form. Any change requested after submitting your Passenger Information Form cannot be guaranteed, is strictly subject to availability and will incur surcharges as outlined in the Schedule of Fees below.

Please note: All countries and territories have different entry requirements in relation to vaccinations, quarantine/isolation periods and travel restrictions. Due to the evolving nature, we would ask all of our customers to monitor, meet and adhere to the specific requirements of their intended destination(s) in the lead-up to and immediately before travel, as well as any requirements post-travel upon their return.

Our Policies

Cancellation & Refund Policy

By placing a booking with us, you acknowledge the following important information:

- **we act as your booking agent** ; TripADeal is a booking services provider, and curates the Travel Offers available on our website. We act as your booking agent, and we receive payment for the Booking Services as part of the booking price, however, we do not provide any of the Travel Services (flights, accommodation, tours or other products or services) included in your booking – the Travel Services are provided by a number of third party Travel Suppliers.
- **each booking is unique** ; our Travel Offers are made up of a variety of different components and are, during the booking process, uniquely tailored to suit your requirements, for example, departure dates and ports, flight and room upgrades, tour inclusions, etc.
- **changes/modifications to your booking may not be possible** ; once your booking has been made, changes or modifications may not be possible, and where possible, may incur a fee. It is important to ensure that the information you provide during the booking process is accurate and up to date, and that you read the Travel Offer carefully before placing your order.
- **Travel Offers are a package** ; our Travel Offers have been curated into package offerings and must be used as a package – individual components cannot be used independently of the full package offering.
- **our Travel Offers are generally non-refundable** ; in order to provide great value Travel Offers, we work with a variety of Travel Suppliers to find the best deals – this often means the Travel Suppliers' offerings are non-refundable to ensure the best price. We recommend that you obtain travel insurance as soon as you make a booking with us.

To read more about our Cancellation and Refund Policy, please click here.

General Terms & Conditions

By placing your booking with us, you acknowledge and agree to our Terms & Conditions, Privacy Policy and Cancellation Policy.

Offer Essentials

This Travel Offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 19 September 2027.
Minimum group size 2, maximum group size 14 per vehicle.
This Travel Offer is priced per person based on a twin share.

Departure Dates & Surcharges

See checkout for live dates and availability.

Single Traveller Supplement

For solo travellers, a mandatory single supplement applies:

- 17-Day Pullman Cabin: $5,300
- 17-Day Deluxe Cabin: $6,200
- 19-Day Pullman Cabin: $5,600
- 19-Day Deluxe Cabin: $6,500

Please note: Accommodation for single customers who are travelling on a tour or cruise package may be in a single room, depending on availability.

Child Policy

- No child discounts are offered. The full price applies to all children travelling with their parents.
- Valid for children 12 years old and over.

Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors are allowed.

Flights

(Flight information for options excluding Trip Only)

Departure Cities

Melbourne, *Sydney, *Brisbane, *Adelaide, *Perth or *Auckland

Departure City Surcharges

- Sydney: $50 per person
- Adelaide or Brisbane: $150 per person
- Perth: $250 per person
- Auckland: $450 per person

International Flight(s)

Full-service Airline(s)

- Cabin Class: Economy Class

Please note: We cannot accommodate one-way flights. Travellers must take all included flights within the package, and any flights intentionally forfeited will result in later flights being subject to cancellation.

Please note: From Australia, the flying journey to your destination may take up to 28 hours, with up to 2 stops. This is provided as a guide only - actual flight duration can vary depending on availability and airline

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schedules. Your booking's final details will be confirmed to you via email once available.

From Auckland, the flying journey to your destination may take up to 32 hours, with up to 2 stops. This is provided as a guide only - actual flight duration can vary depending on availability and airline schedules. Your booking's final details will be confirmed to you via email once available.

Domestic Flight(s) Used

- Cabin Class: Economy Class
- Route: Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe to Johannesburg, South Africa

Domestic Flight Information

Baggage allowance per person:
1 x 20kg of checked baggage
1 x 7kg of carry on baggage

Johannesburg or Tambo Airport New Baggage Restrictions

The following new rules will apply to checked baggage:

- Only regular-shaped bags may be checked in. This means that the bags must have at least one flat surface to be accepted.
- Round or irregular-shaped bags will not be allowed.
- Bags with long straps will not be allowed.

Preferred Airline Surcharge

- Cabin Class: Economy Class
- Emirates: $300 per person
- Singapore Airlines: $420 per person

Please note:

- *Preferred airlines are subject to availability. If we are unable to fulfil your request, the above extra cost will be refunded.*
- *On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed.*
- *In the event that a purchased stopover package and a purchased preferred airline upgrade are not compatible, you will have the option to receive a refund for the preferred airline upgrade or be offered an alternative stopover city option, e.g if you choose to fly with Singapore Airlines you cannot stopover in Dubai.*
- *Preferred airline refers to the marketing carrier and could include codeshare partners.*

Arrive Early and Stay Behind Options

Fly out and return home up to 60 days pre and post your tour dates.

Arrive Early

Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe - From $300 per person, subject to availability.

Stay Behind

Cape Town, South Africa - From $300 per person, subject to availability.

Please note:

This option incurs a fee for adjusting the departure or return dates. This fee does not include extra nights' accommodation, meals and/or airport transfers, which will be at your own cost.
In addition, airport transfers listed as an inclusion on the Travel Offer are considered void in the event that you select an Arrive Early/Stay Behind option. As such, you will need to arrange your own transfers at your cost.
We strongly advise against booking any pre or post-tour travel arrangements/ accommodation until TripADeal confirms your flight details. If you choose to book before confirmation, we recommend opting for refundable reservations or having backup plans in case the tour does not proceed.
Internal Flights: If you select to Arrive Early or Stay Behind into a city other than the one where the tour begins or concludes (where applicable), the package will include an internal flight to your destination. This offer applies only to the cities listed in our Arrive Early & Stay Behind Options. If you wish to forfeit this flight, please advise our friendly team at the time of purchase.
Please note that the package's cost does not change when you choose to forfeit your connecting flight.

Please note: If you request to fly into cities not listed in our "Arrive Early & Stay Behind Options", we may be able to customise your itinerary. If possible, the flight's cost will be charged as an extra.

Cancellations & Changes: Flight booking changes or cancellations after air tickets have been issued are not guaranteed and may incur additional fees and fare difference, subject to the airline cancellation and change policies. Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.
High-Season: A high-season Arrive Early or Stay Behind can be purchased for an additional charge, subject to availability. For pricing, please refer to the cart.
+ 60 days: You can fly out up to 60 days before your package's start date, and/or return home 60 days after your package's end date. Should you wish to fly out or return home for more than 60 days from the tour, please contact us to request availability. Additional costs may apply.
Estimated dates: Your estimated departure, return, and arrival dates are all subject to availability and may vary. The confirmed schedule for all flights will be provided when you receive your flight tickets.
High season surcharges apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:

- 3rd April 2026 - 20th April 2026
- 26th June 2026 - 17th July 2026
- 18th September 2026 - 9th October 2026
- 12th December 2026 - 18th December 2026
- 19th December 2026 - 3rd January 2027
- 4th January 2027 - 26th January 2027
- 19th March 2027 - 28th April 2027
- 19th June 2027 - 18th July 2027
- 11th September 2027 - 10th October 2027
- 10th December 2027 - 19th December 2027
- 20th December 2027 - 3rd January 2028

Stopover Packages

- Dubai

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- Singapore

Includes:
- 2, 3 or 5 nights in 4-star accommodation
- Daily breakfast
- Return airport transfers

For pricing, please refer to the payment cart at checkout.
- When a pre and post-tour stopover is chosen, the same stopover location must be chosen each way, due to the airline used.
- When selecting to Arrive Early for your tour in conjunction with a Stopover Package, your fly out date from home will take place before the stopover.
- When selecting to Stay Behind after your tour in conjunction with a Stopover Package, your stopover will take place before your final flight home.
- Stopover packages are subject to availability.
- In the event that a purchased stopover package and a purchased preferred airline upgrade are not compatible, you will have the option to receive a refund for the preferred airline upgrade or be offered an alternative stopover city option, e.g if you choose to fly with Singapore Airlines you cannot stopover in Dubai.
- Blackout dates apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:

2027
Hong Kong Rugby 7's: end March/ beginning April - (dates tbc)
Singapore Grand Prix: 30 September - 05 October 2027 (dates are still tbc)
Doha Grand Prix: end November 2027 (dates are tbc)
Abu Dhabi Grand Prix (for Dubai): 21 - 26 October 2027 (dates are still tbc)
Christmas and New Years Eve - 20 December 2027 to 3 January 2028

Flight Class Upgrades

Business Class: For pricing, please refer to the payment cart at checkout.

Please note:

- *Flight upgrades are subject to availability and pricing changes (if we cannot fulfil your request, the upgrade cost will be refunded).*
- *On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed.*

Outbound Flights

Please note: Due to flight scheduling and availability, some departures may occur on Day 0. Affected customers must be available to depart the day before. Flight times will be indicated on your final documents, issued 4-6 weeks before departure.

Missed Flights

If you fail to arrive for your outbound flight, you risk all flight and land arrangements in your destination being automatically cancelled by the airlines and land operator, respectively. Additional fees may apply to reinstate these services. If you miss your flight for whatever reason, please contact us as soon as possible to make arrangements.

Trip Only Option

If you choose to remove international flights from your package, your holiday may be shorter, as travel days for flights are not included in the Trip Only package. You will receive an email confirmation when minimum numbers have been met and the departure is guaranteed.
We recommend making further travel arrangements, such as flights, after you have received confirmation of a guaranteed departure.
TripADeal assumes no liability for financial losses incurred due to travel arrangements made prior to confirmation of guaranteed departure.
Note: The Trip Only Package does not include return international airfares or airport transfers. At the conclusion of the tour, you will be responsible for booking your own onward travel.
Click here for full Trip Only terms and conditions (see section 4.1)

Rail

Rovos Rail: Pullman Suites

The Pullman suites accommodate one or two passengers and have an en-suite bathroom with shower, toilet and basin. During the day, the suites have a comfortable sofa setting with a conversion to double or twin beds for the evening. A dedicated host or hostess is available at all times and services the suites daily.

Amenities

- En-suite with shower, toilet and basin
- Fold-up writing desk
- Luggage shelf
- Cupboards
- Safe
- Air conditioning
- Small fridge
- Tea facilities
- Bespoke amenities
- Shaver plugs (2-pin)
- Robes and slippers
- Hairdryer (fixed or plug-in)
- USB ports
- Internal telephone system
- Room service

Rovos Rail: Deluxe Suites

The Deluxe Suites accommodate one or two passengers in double or twin beds and have their own lounge area and en-suite bathroom with shower, toilet and basin. A dedicated host or hostess is available at all times and services the suites daily. A bar fridge is filled with the on-board beverages of the passenger's choice.

Amenities

- En-suite with shower, toilet and basin
- Small lounge area
- Writing desk
- Luggage shelf
- Cupboards
- Safe
- Air conditioning
- Bar fridge
- Tea facilities
- Bespoke amenities
- Robes and slippers
- Hairdryer (fixed or plug-in)
- Shaver plugs (2-pin)
- USB ports
- Internal telephone system
- Room service

Please note:

Important Information

- *Rovos Rail cabins may be a double, twin (separated or side-by-side) or bunk.*
- *There is a dress code for the Rovos Rail journey. Days on board are smart casual: neat, conventional yet relatively informal in style, combining casual and formal clothing pieces whilst evening attire is more formal: for gentlemen, a jacket and tie is a minimum requirement while for ladies, a cocktail/evening dress is suggested.*

Luggage

It is possible to store luggage in your suite under the bed or above the door on a luggage rack, which provides ample space for storage.

Accommodation

Standard 17-Day Package: 4 & 5-Star Properties

- Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe: Victoria Falls Safari Lodge
- Johannesburg, South Africa: City Lodge Hotel O.R Tambo Airport
- Pilanesberg Game Reserve, South Africa: Ivory Tree Game Lodge
- Cape Town, South Africa: Cape Milner Hotel

Luxury Rail Experience

Rovos Rail's 'Pride of Africa'

Extension 19-Day Package

All of the above plus:
Stellenbosch, South Africa: Bonne Esperance

Please note: Accommodation/rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type and are subject to availability based on seasonality. In the instance a property is not available, a similar standard of accommodation will be provided. Properties will be confirmed and included in your travel pack, which you will receive 4-6 weeks before travel.

Extra Nights

Not available.

Please note: If you are interested in booking additional nights of accommodation pre or post-tour, please wait until you receive your travel documentation approximately 4-6 weeks before departure for the confirmed list of hotels. If booking your own additional accommodation directly with the hotel, please be aware that you may be required to change rooms at the start/end of your tour.

Maximum Room Capacity

2 people.

Triple Share

Not available.

Bedding Configuration

Twin or double (subject to availability).

Optional Tours/activities

- Day 4: Optional Activity: Full Day Safari Game Drive in Chobe National Park - $460 per person
- Day 13: Optional Activity: Cape Town Half Day City Tour - $175 per person
- Day 15: Optional Activity: Full Day Cape Winelands Tour - $260 per person

Please note:

- *The optional tours listed above must be purchased on checkout or over the phone before submitting your passenger information form (subject to availability).*
- *Some tours require minimum numbers to operate.*

Exclusions

- Visa fees and requirements
- Domestic transfers and flights not stated in the deal offer
- Meals/beverages not stated in the deal offer
- Optional gratuities/tipping
- Optional activities/tours
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance
- Any costs associated with an interruption to your tour as a result of an airline schedule change or cancellation
- Mandatory city tax

Please note: Return international flights and transfers to and from the tour are not included in the Trip Only option.

Gratuities / Tipping

Zimbabwe:

Gratuities (tips) are not included for the services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour. The recommended tip is $6 USD (approximately $8.50 AUD) per person per day. This covers the guide/leader and the driver and will be collected on tour.

South Africa:

Gratuities (tips) are not included for the services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour. The recommended tip is 118 South African Rand (approximately $10 AUD) per person per day. This covers the guide/leader and the driver and will be collected on tour.

Rail:

Gratuities (tips) are not included for the services of staff on Rovos Rail. The recommended tip is 237 South African Rand (approximately $20 AUD) per person per day and will be collected on tour.

Please note: Tipping for services provided is always a matter of personal discretion; however, please be aware that many locals consider tipping part of their normal remuneration, and they may approach you for payment; there's no need to be intimidated by the request.

Other Important Information

TOUR GUIDE VS. TOUR LEADER

Tour Guide:

Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role entails providing commentary, routing the tour, and seeing that people have a good time. They are a licensed, qualified expert who supplies specific information on the history, art, architecture and culture of the city/village/attraction where they are guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves it at the end of the tour; they do not travel with the group.

Tour Leader:

An experienced person tasked with ensuring the smooth operation of tours, as

well as providing practical support to passengers throughout the whole trip. Their role primarily includes assisting with accommodation, transportation between locations, and communication with tour guides at each stop. A tour leader may provide general guidance around a city or village and offer information on the place visited on the bus. However, they are not required to have specific art, architecture, or historical knowledge. They are not allowed to provide a guided tour or commentary of a city/village/attraction once there and, if caught doing so, can be fined.

Please note: Tour leaders/guides are not a standard inclusion in all travel offers. Tour leaders/guides will only be made available when required to enhance the experience of the destination featured.

CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

Johannesburg Area

Johannesburg is situated on the highveld plateau and has a subtropical highland climate. The city enjoys a sunny climate, with the summer months (October to April) characterised by hot days followed by afternoon thundershowers and cool evenings, and the winter months (May to September) by dry, sunny days followed by cold nights. Temperatures in Johannesburg are usually fairly mild due to the city's high elevation, with an average maximum daytime temperature in January of 25.6°C, dropping to an average maximum of around 16°C in June. The UV index for Johannesburg in summers is extreme, often reaching 14-16 due to the high elevation and proximity to the equator.

Cape Town

Cape Town has a Mediterranean-style climate: wet and cool winters, dry and warm summers. The annual average temperature in Cape Town is a delightful 17°C.

Victoria Falls

In the area of Victoria Falls, the climate is sub-tropical, with a mild and dry winter from mid-May to mid-August (during which, however, nights are cold), and a hot, muggy and rainy summer from mid-November to mid-March. The rains occur in the form of downpours or thunderstorms. Between September and November, before the rainy season, there is a hot period, which is in fact the hottest of the year, with temperatures easily reaching 35°C, and sometimes up to 40°C, even though the humidity is not as high as in summer. October is the hottest month of the year. On the contrary, in winter, when during the day the weather is nice, the temperature at night may approach freezing (0°C).

Please note: The amount of water at Victoria Falls (waterfall) will depend on the seasonality.

Weather

We always suggest referring to an online source for the most up-to-date weather information for your destination/s.

FLIGHTS

Seat Selection & Frequent Flyer Points:

We do not arrange seat selection. It is essential to highlight that some airlines do not allow pre-selected seats. We strongly suggest you contact the airline directly with seating allocation requirements and/or arrive at the airport earlier to arrange your seating. While we do not add frequent flyer member details to bookings, you can do this directly with the airline once you have your flight information.

Dietary Requests

Meal options and availability differ between airlines and routes therefore not all dietary requests can be accommodated. If your flight includes meals we will select the most suitable option available based on the dietary requirements you have specified. All meal requests are subject to airline approval and are not guaranteed, therefore we recommend preparing for your flight by bringing appropriate food for yourself, as required.

Passport Validity:

Customers must provide valid passport details either at the time of purchase or no later than 90 days before the departure date. Failure to do so may result in the cancellation of the booking. Customers will be responsible for any costs and fees incurred in this instance.

COACH TOUR

Meals:

For meals not included, the tour leader (when available) will offer assistance with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. It is your responsibility to notify us of any dietary requests/requirements.

Please note: We will do our best to meet your requests/requirements; however, we cannot guarantee that we will always be able to.

Luggage:

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on tour. You must carry your own luggage from the vehicle to the hotel room and back to the vehicle. The driver will assist with the uploading and unloading of bags from the vehicle.

OTHER

Mobility:

If you require wheelchair access please contact our friendly sales and service team to inquire on your behalf.

Fitness Level Required:

Adventure (and spontaneity) create some of the best travel memories. Bear in mind, your home schedules and timings might not be adhered to on tour - it's all part of the fun!
A moderate level of fitness will be required.
Expect a moderate pace of touring with a focus on guided tours that may include full days with extended activity, guided city tours or nature walks. You will require a general level of fitness for unassisted navigation of stairs and inclines, longer distances with possible periods of standing when visiting sites, walking on sloping,

uneven ground or elevations. You will be responsible for your own luggage and have the ability to board all modes of transport without assistance. Please note: Many areas may be inaccessible to wheelchairs or mobility scooters, where the unassisted use of personal walking sticks and other aids may be required. Although some assistance may be available, every traveller should be self-reliant during all aspects of their travel.

Please note: It is expected that every traveller must be self-reliant and able to undertake all aspects of their own travel. Please speak to your booking agent about your personal circumstances and any assistance requirements to ensure this tour is right for you.

Please note: If you have any concerns, please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

Yellow Fever:

A valid international certificate of vaccination against Yellow Fever is required in many countries. You may need to present this on arrival at the airport or border crossing. Some countries will refuse entry if you are unable to present your certificate. It's also common for your home country to request a Yellow Fever certificate upon arrival.
You must check with your doctor well before leaving home about the Yellow Fever requirements for the countries you'll be visiting.

Sightseeing:

Please note: If entry to a site is affected by changes in operating hours or public holiday closures, your itinerary, where possible, may be adjusted, or a similar activity will be offered in its place (subject to availability).

Wildlife sighting:

TripADeal cannot guarantee animal sightings on tour. Wildlife are unpredictable and factors such as weather conditions, predatory fear and animal movements can impact sightings.

Shopping:

Shopping overseas can be a daunting and confusing experience, especially when there is a language barrier. Please be very cautious when foreign currencies and prices are involved. If paying by credit card, please pay close attention to the amount you are being charged and keep all your receipts.
Do not make any purchases you are not comfortable with or feel pressured into. If you are uncertain or need assistance with the language barrier, please seek assistance from your Tour Guide/Leader. Please refer to our Terms and Conditions regarding shopping for further information.

Visas

South Africa

A tourist visa for South Africa is not required for stays up to 90 days if travelling on an Australian or New Zealand Passport. Travellers must ensure their passport is machine-readable and contains at least two blank pages.

Mandatory Traveller Declaration

As of 1 July 2026, the South African Revenue Service (SARS) requires all travellers entering or departing South Africa by air, land or sea to complete a mandatory online Traveller Declaration before travelling.
Please ensure that all information submitted is accurate and keep a copy of your electronic confirmation available during your journey.
Access the online Traveller Declaration here: SARS Traveller Declaration Portal

Zimbabwe

A tourist visa is a strict requirement when travelling to Zimbabwe on an Australian or New Zealand Passport. Visa options, including Single Entry, Double Entry, and the KAZA Uni-Visa, are available for purchase either online prior to departure or upon arrival at the port of entry (Visa On Arrival - VOA). All visa fees are payable in US Dollars cash (Please bring the exact amount in USD cash). Travellers must consult their full itinerary to determine the correct visa type required, as border crossings or overnight stays in neighbouring countries will affect the validity of a Single Entry, Double Entry or KAZA Uni-Visa.

New Zimbabwe Immigration Requirements

To streamline and speed up the immigration process on arrival, the Zimbabwe Immigration Department has implemented an online immigration declaration form that must be completed by all travellers prior to arriving at any Zimbabwean border post, including Victoria Falls Airport. This new online process replaces the manual immigration declaration form and is aimed at improving the guest experience at border control.
Travellers should complete the online arrival form at the official e-visa site or scan provided QR codes at airports.
If travellers can't fill it out beforehand, there are fallback options: Completing it on arrival via your own device (if there is Wi-Fi)
Using devices provided by immigration at the point of entry

Please note: Manual paper forms have been phased out at major ports. While fallback kiosks and Wi-Fi are available at the airport for those unable to complete the form in advance, this can result in significant processing delays. We strongly recommend completing the declaration and saving a digital screenshot or printed copy of the confirmation before departure.

Important:

- *Please start arranging your visa three weeks before departure to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.*
- *Visa rules are subject to change. Please check with the nearest embassy, consulate or immigration department of the destination/s you are visiting once you receive your travel documentation to ensure you have the most up to date information.*

Important Information

- *It is your responsibility to be travel-ready and ensure that you are aware and comply with any destination or travel requirements, including the validity of all required travel documents.*
- *Passengers who are not Australian citizens must also check with the respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required.*
- *It is also important to note that some areas of employment, such as journalism, government authorities and charity organisations, may have additional restrictions in applying for visas. This may, in turn, affect the type of application required.*

Travel Insurance

Embarking on your next trip is exciting, and while you hope the unexpected does not happen, it is best to be prepared. We strongly recommend you take out travel insurance when making your booking. Whether it's a potential medical emergency, a flight cancellation, a delayed suitcase, or an unforeseen event, it's important to ensure you're adequately protected. For more information or advice visit https://www.tripadeal.com.au/travel-insurance

Schedule Of Fees

Voluntary Changes

This includes booking changes requested by you, including but not limited to those changes requiring an airline ticket or a Purchase Confirmation reissue.

- Changes - $100 per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/ cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

Name Changes Due To Passenger Error

- If the incorrect name has been provided, charges of $100 per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/ cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

Supplier Fees

In the event the tour package you have purchased is unable to proceed, and/or a Travel Supplier is unable to fulfil the tour due to external circumstances (Limitation of Liability e.g. a Force Majeure event), there may be a fee or amount of money that is withheld by our Suppliers and is unrecoverable. This may be due to non-refundable airline tickets, cancellation penalties with cruise cabins or unrecoverable payments with our land/ accommodation partners. If refunds are not available from Suppliers, we will endeavour to obtain a travel credit on the best terms available and communicate these outcomes to you. In the event we are unable to obtain a refund or travel service credit, or part thereof, this cost is passed on to the customer as a Supplier Fee.