

# A Walker's World

*Don't just see the world. Experience it.*

## 21 or 24 DAY SAFARI FROM CAPE TOWN TO VICTORIA FALLS & v.v

**A small group lodge safari through South Africa, Namibia, Botswana and Zimbabwe.**

Explore the vibrant city of Cape Town and then either travel up the West Coast via the Cedarberg Mountains, Orange River, Ai-Ais and Fish River Canyon OR fly up to Walvis Bay with spectacular aerial views of the west coast. Experience breath-taking sand dunes in Sossusvlei and encounter animated creatures at Cape Cross Seal Colony. Continue to Etosha for wonderful game viewing. Practice your wildlife spotting in the outstanding Okavango Delta and Chobe National Park in Botswana, before ending your safari at Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe.



21 Day



24 Day

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Cape Town - City tour including visit to Table Mountain; Constantia wine tasting; Full day peninsula tour
- Cedarburg - Rooibos tea tasting experience in Clanwilliam
- Orange River – Half day canoe trip
- Fish River Canyon – Visit to Ai-Ais hot springs. Enjoy sunset view over canyon
- Sossusvlei – Visit the world's highest sand dunes and Sesriem Canyon
- Swakopmund – Charming coastal German town – optional activities
- Cape Cross – Visit to Cape Fur Seal breeding colony
- Spitzkoppe – View ancient rock art and walk amongst the boulders
- Omaruru – Wine tasting at local distillery
- Kamajab Visit an Ova-Himba village
- Etosha – Full day game drives
- Okavango Delta – Traditional mokoro excursion and bush walk

- Caprivi Strip – Game viewing in Mahangu National Park
- Chobe – Game drive and sunset cruise on the Chobe River
- Victoria Falls – Sunset cruise on the Zambezi River



**21 DAY ITINERARY** - Day 4 - Fly Cape Town International Airport to Walvis Bay.

Day 5 & 6 – Move inland to Namib Naukluft National Park and meet up with the rest of the group that have driven from Cape Town (their Day 8 & 9)

## **24 DAY ITINERARY**

### **DAY 1 CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA**

On arrival in Cape Town, you will be met and transferred to your hotel. You have the remainder of the day at leisure to explore the city. Accommodation at The Townhouse or similar.

### **DAY 2 CAPE TOWN**

This morning you will be collected and taken by cable car, up the legendary Table Mountain for spectacular views of the Mother City and the surrounding peninsula (weather dependent). Back to the city, you will see the Company Gardens, Greenmarket Square, the SA Museum and colourful and picturesque Malay Quarter known Bo-Kaap. Lunch is at a local wine estate in Constantia.

In the afternoon, we suggest a visit to the V&A Waterfront, situated in the heart of Cape Town's working harbour, offering an abundance of indoor shopping and entertainment at leisure.

Accommodation at The Townhouse or similar

### **DAY 3 CAPE TOWN**

Today we explore the Cape Peninsula. Travelling along the Atlantic Seaboard via Sea Point, Clifton and Camps Bay, we stop at Maiden Cove look-out point before continuing to Hout Bay. Here you have the option to take a boat trip to Seal Island (seasonal and not included in the cost). We carry on over Chapman's Peak, one of the world's most breath-taking coastal drives, to Cape Point and the Good

Hope Nature Reserve. In the afternoon we travel on to Simon's Town, a village with charming Victorian architecture, a naval base and a large penguin colony at the beautiful Boulders Beach. Kindly note the reserve entrance fee at Boulders Beach carries an additional cost.

Accommodation at The Townhouse or similar

#### **DAY 4 CAPE TOWN TO CEDARBERG MOUNTAINS, SOUTH AFRICA**

An early start takes you to the beach on the Atlantic Ocean to have a last look at Table Mountain across the bay. After lunch head towards the Cedarberg Mountains, where you overnight in Clanwilliam, one of the ten oldest towns in the country. On arrival you can enjoy a local favourite of Rooibos tea tasting. Rooibos is indigenous to the Western Cape and has major nutritional and health benefits.

Accommodation at Clanwilliam Lodge or similar

#### **DAYS 5 & 6 CEDARBERG TO ORANGE RIVER, NAMIBIA**

Travelling up the West Coast, we pass through some magnificent mountain ranges on our way to the Orange River. If you are travelling in spring you will see the spectacular carpets of wildflowers in the famous Namaqualand region. Later in the afternoon we will reach the Orange River, the natural border between South Africa and Namibia. The next day the only travelling is done in a canoe. Put your feet up and relax as the currents take you downstream the Orange River – mind the rapids though!



Accommodation at Felix Unite Camp Provenance or similar

#### **DAY 7 AI-AIS & FISH RIVER CANYON, NAMIBIA**

Today we head to Ai-Ais, where we stop for lunch. Here thermal water rich in sulphates and fluorides and with a temperature of approx. 60°C gushes forth from the hot springs. In the Nama language, "Ai-Ais" means "burning water". We then proceed to our accommodation which is situated close to the Fish River Canyon, the second largest canyon on earth. Later in the evening we take in another perfect African sunset with the magnificent views and scenery along the edge of the canyon.

Accommodation at Canyon Roadhouse or similar



#### **DAYS 8 & 9 SOSSUSVLEI, NAMIBIA**

Moving inland travel towards the Namib Naukluft National Park, where you meet up with the rest of the group that flew from Cape Town. The next morning, wake up early to visit the world's highest sand dunes at Sossusvlei and Deadvlei. The dunes are absolutely spectacular and provide for fantastic photo opportunities. With luck, there may even be water in the vlei (lake). Stop to view the Sesriem Canyon, which was carved millions of years ago by the Tsauchab River.

Accommodation at Agama River Camp or similar

### **DAY 10 & 11 NAMIB NAUKLUFT NATIONAL PARK TO SWAKOPMUND, NAMIBIA**

Day 7 is spent driving through the Namib Naukluft National Park to return to the charming coastal town of Swakopmund. Home to some of the rarest plant and animal species in the world, the Namib-Naukluft Desert is a must-see when on a Namibian safari. Animals of this harsh landscape include the oryx, springbok and Hartmann's Mountain Zebra. On the morning of day 8, follow the barren Atlantic Coast out of Swakopmund to visit Cape Cross – the largest breeding place of the Cape Fur Seals. The rest of the afternoon can then be spent at your leisure.

Accommodation at Hotel A La Mer or similar

### **DAY 12 DAMARALAND, NAMIBIA**

Leaving the cold Atlantic coastline behind, head inland across the desert plains to Spitzkoppe, an iconic group of curved granite mountains with vivid colours. After a walk amongst the boulders to view the ancient Bushmen paintings and engravings, continue on to the town of Omaruru where you will be staying overnight. In the afternoon stop at a local distillery and small wine cellar in Omaruru to taste some of the home-grown produce. Once a mission station, the settlement has great historic significance and has evolved into an artistic hub for local crafts and small industries.

Accommodation at Omaruru Guest House or similar

### **DAY 13 OMARURU AND HIMBA VILLAGE, NAMIBIA**

Today journey towards Kamanjab where you spend the afternoon exploring Himba Village. This is a journey of cultural exchange where you will begin to learn and understand the ways of the last traditional tribe in Namibia – the Ova-Himba

Accommodation at Oppi Koppi Guesthouse or similar

### **DAY 14 KAMANJAB TO ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK, NAMIBIA**

After our cultural experience in Kamanjab, we head to Etosha National Park. Etosha Game Park was declared a National Park in 1907 and it is home to approx. 114 mammal species, 340 bird species, 110 reptile species, 16 amphibian species and, surprisingly, one species of fish.

Accommodation at Okaukuejo or similar

### **DAYS 15 & 16 ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK, NAMIBIA**

We fill the next two days with game drives in the hopes of spotting lion, leopard, elephant and rhino as well as cheetah, giraffe, zebra and the numerous different types of antelope the park has to offer. Our nights are spent at the flood lit waterholes encountering the park's various nocturnal animals as they come to drink.

Accommodation at Okaukuejo



### **DAY 17 ETOSHA TO KAVANGO RIVER, NAMIBIA**

Our journey continues east as we drive along the Caprivi Strip to the town of Rundu. We make our way to Kaisosi River Lodge and spend a relaxing afternoon at our lodge on the banks of the Kavango River. Optional activities such as a visit to the Mbunza Living Museum, a traditional cultural school and communal business for the local Kavango people, or a sunset cruise are available. Alternatively, just relax by the pool with a sundowner listening to the sounds of Mother Nature

Accommodation at Kaisosi River Lodge or similar

### **DAYS 18 & 19 KAVANGO RIVER TO OKAVANGO DELTA, BOTSWANA**

We leave Namibia for Etsha 13, on the western border of the Okavango Delta in Botswana. Unlike other deltas, it flows into the Kalahari Desert without reaching the coast, which makes it unique. The next day is spent exploring the network of water pathways floating through thick vegetation in mokoros (traditional dugout canoes), discovering a variety of birds and wildlife. We stop at a secluded island to take a 1½ hour guided walk hoping to spot elephants, waterbuck or other animals living in this water filled paradise.

Accommodation at Guma Lagoon Camp or similar

**OPTIONAL ACTIVITY:** 30 minute helicopter flight over the Delta – must be pre-booked



### **DAY 20 OKAVANGO DELTA TO CAPRIVI, NAMIBIA**

Leaving Botswana, we drive up the western border of the Okavango Delta before crossing back into Namibia and driving through the Caprivi to our camp on the banks of the Kwando River. Enroute to camp you will go on a game drive to the Mahangu National Park which is rich in fauna and flora. In the park you have the chance of spotting game such as sable and roan, elephants, hippos, buffalos, and many types of antelope. For bird watchers the Mahangu National Park offers more than 420 different bird species.

Accommodation at Camp Kwando or similar

### **Day 21 & 22 CHOBE NATIONAL PARK, BOTSWANA**

The next morning we head along the Caprivi and cross the border back into Botswana to Kasane, the gateway to the Chobe National Park, which is the second largest national park in Botswana covering 10,566 km<sup>2</sup>. After settling in to our lodge, you will have the remainder of the day at leisure or to partake in optional activities.

The next day, we rise early for a morning game drive in the Chobe National Park, which has one of the greatest concentrations of elephant found on the African continent. In the afternoon we go on a cruise on the Chobe River, a truly unforgettable experience and one of the best ways to view the wildlife and the spectacular sunset.



Accommodation at Chobe Safari Lodge or similar

### **DAY 23 CHOBE NATIONAL PARK TO VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE**

Continuing our trip, we leave Botswana and drive to Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe. In the afternoon we have a relaxing sunset cruise on the mighty Zambezi River, basking in the afterglow of the day. The rest of the day may be spent at leisure or partaking in one of the many activities on offer (at own expense).

Accommodation at A' Zambezi River Lodge or similar

#### **OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES:**

15 Minute Helicopter Flight  
Flying Fox (Cable Slide)  
22 Minute Helicopter Flight  
Gorge Swing  
Boma Dinner incl. transfers

Zip Line  
Guided Tour of the Victoria Falls  
Horse Back Safaris (novice)  
Dinner Cruise

Sunset bike tour  
Canoeing (Full day)  
Whitewater rafting (full day)

### **DAY 24 VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE**

Our safari ends after breakfast, when you will be transferred to Victoria Falls Airport.





*Microlight flight over Victoria Falls*

## **21 DAY SCHEDULE – ENGLISH SPEAKING DEPARTURES 2020**

### **Northern Experience:**

20 January, 03 February, 17 February, 09 March, 01 April, 18 May, 08 June, 04 July, 26 July, 24 August, 08 September, 10 September, 05 October, 13 October, 18 November, 16 December

### **Southern Experience:**

18 January, 21 April, 04 May, 20 June, 07 August, 05 September, 24 October, 09 December

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18 January, 21 April, 04 May, 20 June, 07 August, 05 September, 24 October, 09 December

**Safaris require minimum 4 participants. Maximum 12 participants on tour.**

## **2020 COST PER PERSON IN USD - 21 & 24 DAY ITINERARY**

Share twin/double	US\$4,685
Single room supplement	US\$1,135
Park fees & Activities	US\$200 per person (day to day operational costs on the road e.g. fees at national parks, entrance fees to some attractions, local guides, food markets)

### **COST INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation in mid-range hotels, lodges and camps in rooms with private ensuite facilities
- MEALS: 24 Day: Breakfast daily, 19 Lunches, 11 Dinners (21 Day: Breakfast daily, 14 lunches, 7 dinners)
- All transport in fully kitted out vehicle
- Game drives and activities as stated in the itinerary
- Park entrance fees
- Transfers on arrival ex Cape Town Airport and on departure day to Victoria Falls Airport
- Services of an experienced local guide
- 21 Day Itinerary - Flight from Cape Town Airport to Walvis Bay Airport or v.v.

### **PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:**

- Optional activities
- Tips & gratuities
- Visas if required
- Items of a personal nature
- Refreshments

### **TRANSPORT:**

Vehicles are fully equipped Toyota Land Cruisers, Sprinters, 12-seater 4x4 safari vehicles or other appropriate vehicles with comfortable seating, large windows for game viewing, a music and PA system and air-conditioning to be determined by the company. All luggage, besides hand luggage and photo equipment, is carried on the vehicle or trailer roof racks to ensure maximum comfort in the vehicle. For transfers between Kasane and Victoria Falls (or vice versa), 2x4 vehicles may be utilised.



The latest Mercedes All-terrain touring vehicles (Sprinters) provide a smoother trip with vehicle features like: air-conditioning; onboard fridge; charging facilities, PA system; radio. These vehicles seat 10 – 15 passengers.

### **TRAVELLING TIMES AND DISTANCES:**

All travelling times are affected by road conditions, border crossings, detours and weather conditions, therefore on certain days travelling times may be longer than anticipated especially where there is a lot of distance to be covered. Please keep in mind that the time it takes to travel 100 km in your home country is not equivalent to the time it takes to travel 100 km on African roads, therefore we encourage you to sit back and enjoy the spectacular scenery Africa has to offer. Where possible additional stops will be made to ensure your travelling comfort at all times.

### **ACCOMMODATION:**

We make use of mid-range typical African standard lodge accommodation. Accommodation is situated either in National Parks, on the banks of a river, or in other places of interest. The accommodation will be a mix of lodges, chalets and tented camps. All of them offer a private bathroom with a shower/bath and toilet. Some properties have swimming pools and/or bar and restaurant areas.

### **MEALS:**

Where included most breakfasts and dinners will be enjoyed in the restaurants of the various accommodation establishments, however on certain nights the guide will provide an authentic meal for the group, which will be enjoyed together in the evening, often around a camp fire. Please advise us of any special dietary requirements in advance.

### **TIPPING GUIDELINE**

Allow US\$5 – 8 per day per person  
Additionally for local guides US\$2–3  
Restaurant waiters/waitresses 10 – 15% of bill  
Polers Okavango Delta BWP 50 - 100

### **VISAS:**

It is your responsibility to ensure you have the necessary visas required to visit Zimbabwe, Botswana, Namibia and South Africa prior to departure. Please note that travellers entering Botswana will be required to present a valid international health certificate of vaccination for yellow fever should they originate from or have travelled through countries which have been declared yellow fever infected areas within the preceding 6 months.

### **TRAVEL INSURANCE:**

Please note that travel and cancellation insurance is mandatory for every guest booked on these safaris. All insurance is solely the responsibility of our guests. Please ensure you arrange your own insurance with protection for the full duration of your journey to cover personal injury, damage and loss of personal items including but not limited to camera equipment and other electronic items, medical expenses, repatriation expenses and loss of luggage, etc. Please speak to your travel agent if you require assistance.

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