

Botswana & Victoria Falls & Rovos Rail Itinerary

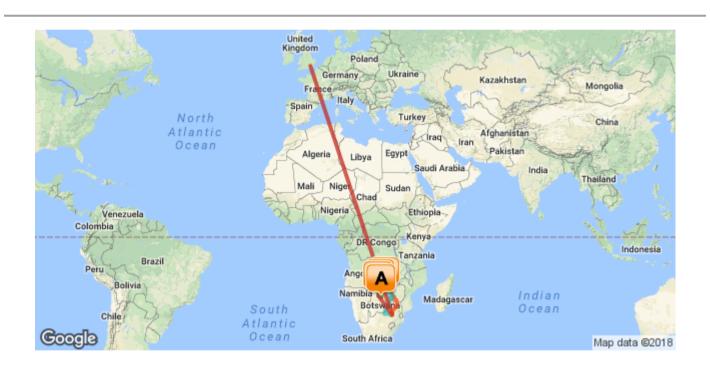
Makgadikgadi Pans National Park - Moremi Game Reserve - Savuti - Chobe National Park - Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe - Pretoria

16 Days / 15 Nights

2 Persons

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Overview

Accommodation	Destination	Nights	Basis
<u>Leroo La Tau</u>	Makgadikgadi Pans National Park	3	FI
Camp Xakanaxa	Moremi Game Reserve	3	FI
Savute Safari Lodge	Savuti - Chobe National Park	2	FI
<u>Ilala Lodge</u>	Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe	2	B&B
Rovos Rail		3	FB+

Key

B&B: Bed and breakfast

FB+: Dinner, bed, breakfast, lunch and activities daily

FI: Fully inclusive

Day 1: Travelling (Wed, 30 May)

Travelling

Day 2-5: Leroo La Tau, Makgadikgadi Pans National Park (Thu, 31 May to Sun, 3 June)

Makgadikgadi Pans National Park

Situated in northeastern Botswana, the Makgadikgadi Pans National Park covers an impressive 3900 square kilometer area and is brimming with natural wonders including the largest tree in Africa, a world famous 5300-year-old Baobab. Game viewing is at its best during the wet season when the plains teem with an extraordinary diversity of wildlife. The rains transform the salt pans into a magnificent lake attracting an abundance of wildlife and, most spectacularly, large flocks of gloriously pink flamingos. The area is renowned for its massive herds of wildebeest and zebra which migrate to the park en masse followed by a variety of predators including lion, cheetah and hyena. Popular activities include game drives, bird watching, exploring the salt pans on 4WD or quad bikes, tours of Gweta Village, and fascinating bush walks to historic sites guided by experienced Bushmen trackers.

Overnight: Leroo La Tau View iBrochure

Leroo La Tau rises majestically above the Boteti River which stretches across the western border of the Makgadikgadi Pans National Park. The park, populated by up to 30,000 zebra and wildebeest closely accompanied by predators, offers guests the chance to experience the exhilaration of seeing large concentrations of game and the resultant predator interaction. The lodge offers a raised hide above the river where guests can enjoy the spectacular wildlife sightings that we've come to expect in this part of Botswana. With just 12 thatched luxury chalets all overlooking the magnificent Makgadikgadi Pans National Park, each with en-suite bathrooms. There is a dining room, reading room and bar in the main lodge, expansive wooden decks and a plunge pool, where guests can immerse themselves seamlessly into the ultimate wildlife experience in Botswana. Having explored the area and enjoyed a spectacular wildlife phenomenon on guided day and night game drives, guests can retire after dinner to a splendid fireplace overlooking the river.





Included

Fully Inclusive - Double Suite

Day 5-8: Camp Xakanaxa, Moremi Game Reserve (Sun, 3 June to Wed, 6 June)

Moremi Game Reserve

Situated in the east of the Okavango Delta, Moremi Game Reserve ranks as one of the most beautiful reserves in Africa. It covers more than 4871 square kilometres of pristine wilderness, and the varied terrain includes savannah, winding waterways, and dense forest. This diverse ecosystem supports an incredibly wide spectrum of wildlife, ranging from large herds of buffalo, wildebeest and zebra, to the rare sitatunga and lechwe antelope, lion, cheetah and packs of wild dog in the open grasslands. The birdlife is prolific and includes most of the 550 bird species recorded on Botswana's national bird list. A range of luxury lodges in the reserve offers visitors the perfect base to experience this corner of paradise.

Overnight: Camp Xakanaxa View iBrochure

Camp Xakanaxa is located on the banks of the Khwai River on the Xakanaxa Lagoon, in the heart of the Moremi Game Reserve. It offers guests an authentic, year round Okavango Delta land and water safari experience. The camp accommodates twenty four guests in twelve spacious all canvas, classic Meru style luxury safari tents, with en suite showers and hand basins. Situated around the fringe of the lagoon, every tent has a private viewing deck with comfortable loungers. The stylish main buildings extend over the Khwai River and are set on raised platforms to maximize the views over the surrounding lagoons and islands. The elegant lounge and dining rooms, built of local timber, reed and thatch, feature a small library, expansive sundeck, plunge pool and sala with day bed.





Included

Fully Inclusive – Double Meru style safari tent.

Day 8-10: Savute Safari Lodge, Savuti - Chobe National Park (Wed, 6 June to Fri, 8 June)

Savuti - Chobe National Park

Savuti, also known as Savute lies in the heart of Botswana's beautiful Chobe National Park.

This dynamic wilderness is a sweeping expanse of savannah brooded over by several rocky outcrops which guard a relic marsh and the dry channel that was once its lifeline. The Savute goes through wet and dry cycles, where wild dogs hunt in the dry river channel where crocodiles swam only twenty years ago. Visitors to this spectacular area can spot abundant wildlife including: a variety of birds, elephants, antelope, lion prides, black-backed jackal, bat-eared foxes, tsessebe, kudu, hyena, cheetah Cape buffalo herds, and thousands of migrating zebra and wildebeest.

Overnight: Savute Safari Lodge View iBrochure

Located on the banks of the Savute channel, Savute Safari Lodge is intimate, accommodating only 24 guests in cool thatched timber and glass suites.

The area is renowned for its population of bull elephant and for the unique interaction of the resident predator species. The close proximity of wildlife translates itself into the recently refurbished, modern African décor.





Included

Fully Inclusive - Double Luxury Suite

Day 10-12: Ilala Lodge, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe (Fri, 8 June to Sun, 10 June)

Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Resting on the southern banks of the Zambezi River at the western end of the eponymous falls, this popular tourist town is compact enough to walk around and makes an ideal base for travellers exploring the seventh wonder of the world, the unfathomably vast Victoria Falls. About two thirds of the falls can be viewed from the Zimbabwean side and, while the falls are undoubtedly the star attraction, the area provides both adventure seekers and sightseers with plenty of opportunities to warrant a longer stay. Popular activities include scenic flights over the falls in helicopters or micro lights, bungee jumping off the Victoria Falls Bridge, white-water rafting (seasonal), and day trips to Chobe National Park. The town itself offers some excellent accommodation and restaurant options as well as an eclectic variety of African curios and authentic art sold by friendly Zimbabwean locals who are wonderfully welcoming and eager to help you enjoy your stay.

Overnight: Ilala Lodge <u>View iBrochure</u>

The warmest of welcomes awaits you at Ilala Lodge Hotel. A gracefully distinguished ambiance. Attentive yet discrete service that always comes with a smile. The sublime surroundings of our boutique hotel will reawaken your senses while the power of the majestic Victoria Falls renews your spirit. Relax in luxurious style. Listen to the meditative rhythm of the great Zambezi as you drift off to sleep. As morning comes, gently awake and lift your head to see the spray of the majestic Victoria Falls across the unspoiled horizon — and let your soul sigh. Feel at ease in our elegant and spacious rooms with African Teak furniture, soft, crisp linen — all en-suite facilities, bathroom with separate shower, air conditioning, overhead fan, satellite TV, hair dryer, tea & coffee making facilities, free WiFi and a safe. 56 rooms in total including 2 Executive Suites, 2 Standard Suites, 20 Deluxe rooms and 32 Standard rooms. The view from your room looks across the lawns to the National Parks where elephant, warthog, impala or the occasional buffalo might be passing by or simply grazing on the lawn or in the tree line.





Included

Bed & Breakfast - Standard Double Room

Day 12: Rovos Rail (10-13 June) – Victoria Falls to Pretoria

Overnight: Rovos Rail

View iBrochure - Rovos Rail has earned an international reputation for its truly world class travel experiences. Exceptional train safaris combine some of Africa's most magnificent scenery with travel aboard an authentically refurbished Edwardian-style train, accommodating up to 72 guests in the most spacious train suites in the world, each with their own en-suite bathroom and subtle modern conveniences. The nine scheduled journeys begin or end at Rovos Rail Station, the headquarters and private station of this independent railway company, which is situated in Pretoria.





Included
Full Board and Activities – Drinks (Local Brands) Included – Double Pullman Suite





The Pullman Suites (±7 sq metres/±76 sq feet) are equipped with a comfortable sofa-seat during the day with a conversion to double or twin beds for the evening, and also have an en-suite bathroom with shower. The wood-panelled rebuilt sleeper coaches, remodelled and refurbished to mint condition, offer every modern convenience and comfort. In the en-suite bathrooms, original fittings combine with the modern technology of hot showers, hair dryers and shaver plugs. The spacious suites offer passengers the opportunity to travel in privacy, comfort and luxury, with fittings and facilities that are of the highest standard. All are equipped with a writing surface and a personal safe for valuables. There is also a bar fridge filled with beverages of the passengers' choice and room service is available 24 hours a day.

Day 15: Departure (Wed, 13 June)

Transport

Flight Information – Economy Class Flights.								
Date	Flight	Airline	Departure Airport	Time	Arrival Airport	Time		
30 May	SA235 (Scheduled)	South African Airways	Heathrow Airport	19:00	Johannesburg OR Tambo Airport	07:05 (31 May)		
30 May	SA8300 (Scheduled)	South African Airways	Johannesburg OR Tambo Airport	11:45	Maun Airport	13:15 (31 May)		
31 May	*Charter		Maun Airport		Leroo La Tau			
03 Jun	*Charter		Leroo La Tau		Camp Xakanaxa			
06 Jun	*Charter		Camp Xakanaxa		Savute Safari Lodge			
08 Jun	*Charter		Savute Safari Lodge		Kasane Airport			
13 Jun	SA234 (Scheduled)	South African Airways	Johannesburg OR Tambo Airport	20:00	Heathrow Airport	06:25 (14 Jun)		

^{*} Charter flight times to be confirmed at time of booking. Strict luggage allowance for the light aircraft flights of 20kg per person to include hand luggage and must be in soft bags.

Transfers

Date	Company	Pick Up	Drop Off	Time	Vehicle
08 Jun		Kasane Airport	Ilala Lodge		Private Transfer
10 Jun		Ilala Lodge	Pretoria Station		Private Transfer
13 Jun		Pretoria Station	Johannesburg OR Tambo Airport		Private Transfer

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Costing:

 Holiday Price:
 £13,626.00

 Taxes:
 £938.00

 Grand Total:
 £14,564.00

The quotation is subject to availability and valid for 7 days and is based on current rates of exchange applying any special offers applicable.

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Please note that for any light aircraft flights there is a restriction of up to 20kgs per person to include hand luggage and this must be in soft-sided bags (baggage sizes also limited). The bags must be completely flexible and have not solid frames or wheels. Due to the sizes of the small aircrafts there is a maximum passenger weight of 100kg per person. If you are over this weight please advise us, as there may be an additional cost.

Travelling with Children under 18 to South Africa - The new immigration rules introduced by South Africa in June 2015 relating to travelling with children remain in force. Parents travelling with children (under 18) will be asked to show the child's full unabridged birth certificate. Please read the attached details for entry requirements about travelling with children to South Africa and click on the link below for further information https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/south-africa/entry-requirements

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