

Victoria Falls and the Chobe Game Reserve



There can be no better way to end your African adventure than a visit to the magnificent Victoria Falls and a wildlife safari at one of the animal kingdom's hotspots on the Chobe River in nearby Botswana.

Your hotel at Victoria Falls will be the four star Kingdom Hotel, a short walk from the railway station and the Victoria Falls itself. Included during your visit will be a tram ride to the famous Victoria Falls bridge, a hosted visit to the Falls and a sunset cruise on the mighty Zambezi River. End your Africa adventure with an unforgettable wildlife experience at the Chobe game reserve. Photograph wildlife with the experts from their specialist vehicles and boats. No need to take the big lens with you, a Nikon DSLR camera and lens are included at no extra cost.

Two dates are available. The first departure leaves Johannesburg the day following the end of the Sandstone international festival, and the second date leaves Johannesburg after the arrival of the charter steam train a few days later.

Saturday, 13 April and Wednesday, 17 April 2019

Fly to Victoria Falls, arriving around lunch time. You will be met by our local representative and transferred to your hotel. Later this afternoon, join a tram trip from Victoria Falls Station to the famous bridge over the Zambezi River. The bridge carries both road and rail over the border between Zimbabwe and Zambia, when built in 1905 it was the highest railway bridge in the world - an engineering marvel of the time and still impressive today.

Overnight: The Kingdom Hotel, Victoria Falls. (B)

Sunday, 14 April and Thursday, 18 April 2019

Enjoy a hosted tour of the famous Victoria Falls this morning, included will be an informative introduction to the Falls and a walk through the rain forest to a viewpoint overlooking the famous railway bridge. Your rain forest visit will be followed by a visit to the big tree, a Baobab under which David Livingstone probably sat, and a craft market visit. After a break for lunch and a leisurely afternoon, transfer to the banks of the Zambezi River above the 'Falls for a sunset cruise, snacks and sundowners are included as you watch the sun set over the river and distant Ilala Palms.

Overnight: The Kingdom Hotel, Victoria Falls. (B)

Monday, 15 April and Friday, 19 April (Easter) 2019

Today is a free day at Victoria Falls. Time to relax or join numerous activities in the area, including helicopter flights, game drives, village tours and much more. Victoria Falls town is a short stroll from the hotel and for the less energetic there are a number of pools at the hotel (with signs asking you to beware of small crocodiles!)

Overnight: the Kingdom Hotel, Victoria Falls (B)

On Friday, 19 April, there is an opportunity to join an optional stream train dinner train to the Bridge and Jafuta Siding. The locomotive should be the Bushtracks Class 14A Garratt #512, the five course dinner will be provided by the Victoria Falls Hotel. (This is a scheduled service and space is limited to 44 diners, bookings are subject to availability.) As the train only runs on Wednesdays and Fridays, it cannot be offered on 15 April.

Tuesday, 16 April and Saturday, 20 April 2019

Option one: Airport transfer

After a leisurely breakfast, transfer to Victoria Falls airport for your flight to Johannesburg. This will connect with most overnight flights to Europe.

Wildlife and the Chobe River

The last part of our African experience is a splendid three-night visit to a lodge on the Chobe River in Botswana, an opportunity to see Africa's magnificent wildlife including herds of elephant that love the river.



After breakfast, transfer by road to your lodge on the banks of the Chobe river, about 80 kilometres distant in Botswana. The Chobe River is a tributary to the Zambezi, with the two great rivers coming together at Kazungula, a few kilometres down stream from the town of Kasane. The Chobe National Park is one of the best reserves in Africa for wildlife photography. Not only can you enjoy your photography from land and water, but the animals tend to be more relaxed in the Chobe than many other places.

Check in to the Pangolin Chobe Lodge, the closest lodge to the national park. This stylish 14 room lodge has the photographer in mind with magnificent views, particularly at sunset. The lodge is decorated with stunning wildlife photographs and there is a special photo editing desk in the bar area. A Nikon D7000 camera and Sigma 150 to 600 mm zoom lens can be used at no extra cost during your stay and the SD memory card is included free so that you can take those outstanding images home with you.

Your first game activity will be this afternoon. The lodge will offer activities on the photo boat, and their selection of custom-built vehicles including the mighty Unimog. Along with photographic activities, they also have several other boats and vehicles which can be used by clients not wishing to do photography specifically, but rather general game viewing instead. The choice is yours as to whether you would like to join the photo safari or standard game activity. The Pangolin Chobe Lodge is designed to be enjoyed by photographers and non-photographers alike.

Overnight: Pangolin Chobe Lodge. Full board, all local drinks, two activities per day and park fees are included.

Wednesday, 17 April and Sunday, 21 April 2019

A morning and afternoon game drive or boat trip are included today, with ample time to relax at mid-day. The lodge has a swimming pool, lounge and bar.

Overnight: Pangolin Chobe Lodge. Full board, all local drinks, two activities per day and park fees are included.

Thursday, 18 April and Monday, 22 April 2019

Enjoy another morning and afternoon game activity today. The final mix of water and land activity will be determined by wildlife activity at the time,

but you should expect two land based and four water based trips during your stay.

Overnight: Pangolin Chobe Lodge. Full board, all local drinks, two activities per day and park fees are included.

Friday, 19 April (Easter) and Tuesday, 23 April 2019

Your last game trip will be this morning before breakfast and an included transfer to Kasane Airport for the South Africa Airlink departure to Johannesburg (flight not included).

Breakfast, activity and airport transfer included.

There is an opportunity to spend one more night at the Pangolin Lodge, with your transfer to Kasane Airport on 20 April.

Prices:

The prices listed here may change at any time due to cost increases or foreign currency adjustments.

Victoria Falls, 13. - 16. or 17. - 20. April 2019

1.089 Euro Per person sharing

358 Euro Single use of a twin or double room

Your package includes: Airport transfers at Victoria Falls. Accommodation at Victoria Falls for three nights, bed and breakfast. Tram ride to the Victoria Falls bridge. Hosted tour of the Victoria Falls. Sunset cruise on the Zambezi River.

Your Package does not include: Lunch and dinners. Items of a personal nature. Flights. Visas.

Optional dinner train with a Garratt steam locomotive

Only available on 19 April 2019:

288 Euro per person.

Chobe National Park, 16 - 19 or 20 - 23 April 2019

1.820 Euro Per person sharing

379 Euro Single use of a twin or double room

Your Package includes: Your transfer from Victoria Falls to Chobe. Accommodation at Pangolin Chobe Lodge for three nights, all inclusive. Two game activities daily. Transfer from lodge to Kasane airport. (Victoria Falls airport transfers on request – extra cost).

Your Package does not include: Items of a personal nature. Flights. Visas.

Extend your stay at Chobe, Available on 19 April 2019

493 Euro Per person sharing.

116 Euro Single room supplement.

One additional day at Chobe, All inclusive.