### GRAND ZAMBEZI

### THIS JOURNEY TAKES US THROUGH SOME OF ZIMBABWE’S

### MOST MAGNIFICENT GAME RESERVES.

Join our small-group lodge safari through Zambia, Botswana, and Zimbabwe, starting in Livingstone and ending in Victoria Falls. Explore diverse ecosystems, encounter iconic wildlife, and witness the natural wonder of the Zambezi River as it flows over the falls. Led by expert guides and staying in comfortable lodges, this is a once-in-a-lifetime adventure you won't want to miss.

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# HIGHLIGHTS

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| **Livingstone:** | Arrival in town, gateway to your safari experience. Victoria Falls tour from Zambian side. | **Zambezi River:** | Pontoon cruise on the stunning Zambezi River |
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| **Chobe:** | Morning game drive in the national park Sunset game cruise on the Chobe River | **Victoria Falls:** | Tour of the Victoria Falls Sunset cruise experience, on the mighty Zambezi River. Various optional activities available |
| **Hwange:** | Full-day game viewing in Hwange National Park |  |  |
|  | Half-day game drives on private concession |  |  |
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**QUICK FACTS**

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| **Tour type:** | Small group lodge safari | **Meals:** | 12 x Breakfast |
|  |  |  | 08 x Lunch |
| **Duration:** | 13 days |  | 08 x Dinner |
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| **Start:** | Livingstone, Zambia | **Vehicle:** | Suitable touring vehicle |
| **End:** | Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe |  | according to group size. |
|  |  |  | 2x4 vehicle for transfers |
| **Countries** | Zambia, Botswana & |  |  |
| **visited:** | Zimbabwe | **Group Size:** | Min. 4\* / Max. 12  \*Guaranteed departures with no minimum pax available |

# DEPARTURE DATES 2024

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| **MONTH** | **TOUR START** | **TOUR END** | **TYPE** | **MONTH** | **TOUR START** | **TOUR END** | **TYPE** |
| **May** | 12/05/2024 | 24/05/2024 |  |  | 09/08/2024 | 21/08/2024 | D |
| **June** | 01/06/2024 | 13/06/2024 | D | **September** | 01/09/2024 | 13/09/2024 |  |
|  | 21/06/2024 | 03/07/2024 |  |  | 22/09/2024 | 04/10/2024 | D |
| **July** | 22/07/2024 | 03/08/2024 |  | **October** | 08/10/2024 | 20/10/2023 |  |
|  | 28/07/2024 | 09/08/2024 | D | **December** | 16/11/2024 | 28/11/2024 |  |
| **August** | 03/08/2024 | 15/08/2024 |  |  | 03/12/2024 | 15/12/2024 |  |

D - German guided departures / GD - Guaranteed departures

# ITINERARY

**B** = Breakfast **L** = Lunch **D** = Dinner

## DAY 1 & 2: LIVINGSTONE, ZAMBIA B

On arrival into Livingstone International Airport, you will be met and transferred to your lodge.

The next day we continue our trip south to the Victoria Falls, referred to by the Kololo tribe as Mosi oa Tunya, or "the Smoke that thunders," while taking in breath-taking views from the Zambian side. Cap off an incredible day with a serene sunset cruise along the mighty Zambezi River, basking in the warm afterglow and tranquillity of the African landscape.

**Accommodation:** Radisson Blu Mosi-Oa-Tunya, Livingstone Resort or similar (suites with en-suite bathrooms, restaurant, bar & swimming pool)

**Day 1:**

**Lunch:** For your own account

**Dinner:** For your own account

**Day 2:**

**Breakfast:** At Radisson Blu Mosi-Oa-Tunya, Livingstone Resort or similar

**Lunch:** For your own account

**Dinner:** For your own account

## DAY 3 & 4: LIVINGSTONE, ZAMBIA TO CHOBE, BOTSWANA BLD, BLD

Our adventure begins with a hearty breakfast before we embark on the next leg of our journey. We'll make our way across the border into Botswana through the town of Kasane onto our lodge in the Greater Chobe region, one of the most biodiverse and wildlife-rich areas in Africa. Here, we'll be staying in a comfortable lodge that offers the perfect blend of luxury and adventure. Once we arrive, you'll have the option to take a sunset game drive, where you'll have the chance to spot some of the region's most iconic animals, including elephants, lions, giraffes, and more.

The next morning is spent on the concession, in search of African wildlife. In the afternoon we enjoy a relaxing sunset cruise along the Chobe River.

**Distance:** 85 km **Departure:** 9h00

**Accommodation:** Camp Kuzuma or similar (rooms with en-suite bathrooms, swimming pool and bar)

**Day 3:**

**Breakfast:** At Radisson Blu Mosi-Oa-Tunya, Livingstone Resort or similar

**Lunch:** AtCamp Kuzuma or similar

**Dinner:** At Camp Kuzuma or similar

**Day 4:**

**Breakfast:** At Camp Kuzuma or similar

**Lunch:** At Camp Kuzuma or similar

**Dinner:** At Camp Kuzuma or similar

## DAY 5 & 6: CHOBE, BOTSWANA TO HWANGE, ZIMBABWE BLD, BLD

Today we make our way across the border into Zimbabwe and onto our lodge located in a private concession in the heart of Hwange National Park. Here we will spend the next two nights in this wildlife rich area. On arrival you will have the opportunity to partake in an optional half day game drive (at an additional cost). The next day you will get to explore the park on a full day game drive. Hwange National Park is one of Africa's finest havens for wildlife and is home to massive herds of elephant, buffalo, and zebra and has a very large concentration of giraffe. It is also home to many predators and endangered species plus varied birdlife.

**Distance:** 81.2 km **Departure:** 08h00

**Accommodation:** Nantwich Lodge or similar (Rooms with en-suite bathrooms, swimming pool and bar)

**Day 5:**

**Breakfast:** At Camp Kuzuma or similar

**Lunch:** At Nantwich Lodge or similar

**Dinner:** At Nantwich Lodge or similar

**Day 6:**

**Breakfast:** At Nantwich Lodge or similar

**Lunch:** Lunch pack from Nantwich Lodge or similar

**Dinner:** At Nantwich Lodge or similar

## DAY 7 & 8: HWANGE NATIONAL PARK, ZIMBABWE BLD, BLD

Today we make an early start as we travel East through the park to our next lodge. In the coming two days, you'll have the chance to delve deeper into our exploration of African wildlife. The first day offers an afternoon game drive, followed by a full-day game drive on the second day.

**Distance:** 178 km **Departure:** 07h00

**Accommodation:** Camp Silwane or similar (Meru-style canvas tents with en-suite bathrooms and swimming pool).

**Day 7:**

**Breakfast:** At Nantwich Lodge or similar

**Lunch:** Lunch packs from Nantwich Lodge or similar

**Dinner:** At Camp Silwane or similar

**Day 8:**

**Breakfast:** At Camp Silwane or similar

**Lunch:** Lunch pack from Camp Silwane or similar

**Dinner:** At Camp Silwane or similar

## DAY 9 & 10: HWANGE NATIONAL PARK TO ZAMBEZI RIVER, ZIMBABWE BLD, BLD

After enjoying a delicious breakfast, we will embark on a scenic journey to our next lodge nestled on the banks of the the Zambezi river. Over the next two days, you will enjoy guided game drives on the camp's concession, which is situated only 30km from the lodge, providing an opportunity to experience the diverse and rich wildlife of the area. Birding enthusiasts can indulge in the vibrant birdlife of the region while fishing enthusiasts can try their hand at catching the elusive tiger fish. In addition, guests can experience an unforgettable sunset pontoon cruise on the stunning Zambezi River, providing a tranquil and stunning end to a day filled with adventure.

**Distance:** 168 km **Departure:** 07h00

**Accommodation:** Simwenge River Lodge or similar (Rooms with en-suite bathrooms, swimming pool and bar).

**Day 9:**

**Breakfast:** At Camp Silwane or similar

**Lunch:** At Simwenge River Lodge or similar

**Dinner:** At Simwenge River Lodge or similar

**Day 10:**

**Breakfast:** At Simwenge River Lodge or similar

**Lunch:** At Simwenge River Lodge or similar

**Dinner:** At Simwenge River Lodge or similar

## DAY 11 & 12: ZAMBEZI RIVER TO VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE B, B

Get ready to embark on a delightful adventure as we journey towards the magnificent Victoria Falls and spend a leisurely afternoon indulging in one of the many exciting optional activities that the charming town has to offer.

Experience the awe-inspiring Victoria Falls from a new perspective as we embark on a tour from the Zimbabwe side, providing a fresh and breath-taking vantage point of this natural wonder. After a day filled with adventure, unwind and take in the stunning views of the Zambezi River on a tranquil sunset cruise, the perfect way to end an unforgettable day.

**Distance:** 115 km **Departure:** 07h00

**Accommodation:** Ilala Lodge or similar (rooms with en-suite bathrooms, swimming pool, bar & restaurant)

**Day 11**

**Breakfast:** AtSimwenge River Lodge or similar

**Lunch:** For your own account

**Dinner:** For your own account

**Day 12**

**Breakfast:** AtIlala Lodge or similar

**Lunch:** For your own account

**Dinner:** For your own account

## DAY 13: VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE B

As our exciting safari expedition draws to a close, savour a delicious breakfast before bidding farewell and departing for Victoria Falls Airport. We hope to welcome you again one day on another of our African adventures.

**Distance:** 30 km **Departure:** 07h00

**Breakfast:** At Ilala Lodge or similar

# PRE-DEPARTURE INFORMATION

# DEPARTURE:

The Grand Zambezi departs from Radisson Blu Mosi-Oa-Tunya, Livingstone Resort or similar.

**Please note that the daily departure times are a guideline only and are subject to change due to seasonal variations, as well as unforeseen circumstances. The final decision rests with your guide who will advise you at what time you will be departing each day.**

On the evening of day 1, there will be a meeting presented by your guide, at 6pm, at your lodge. It is imperative that all clients attend this meeting so as not to miss out on any critical information.

Whilst it is our every intention to adhere to the above mentioned itinerary, there may on occasion be a necessity to make alterations in order to make the tour more enjoyable or practical. Therefore please treat the itinerary as a guide only.

# TRANSPORT:

Jenman African Safaris uses fully equipped Toyota Land Cruisers, Mercedes All-Terrain vehicle, 12-seater 4x4 safari vehicles or other appropriate vehicles with comfortable seating, large windows for game viewing, a music and PA system. We endeavor to ensure that air-conditioning is provided, however we are unable to guarantee this for vehicles travelling through Namibia. All luggage, besides hand luggage and photo equipment, is carried on the vehicle or trailer roof racks to ensure maximum comfort in the vehicle. Some game drives may be conducted in open-sided safari vehicles. For transfers between Kasane and Victoria Falls or Hwange and Victoria Falls (or vice versa), 2x4 vehicles may be utilised.

# 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 with en-suite bathrooms.

# MEALS:

### Where included most breakfasts and dinners will be enjoyed in the restaurants of the various accommodation establishments. Please advise us of any special dietary requirements in advance.

# VISAS:

The onus is on the client to organize all visas required to visit the countries stated on the itinerary. 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 travelling with Jenman African 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.

# MAKING YOUR TRAVELS MEANINGFUL:

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