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Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe) - Western Hwange National Park - Hwange National Park

8 Days / 7 Nights

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Introduction

Embark on an unforgettable 8-day Out of Africa Safari Adventure in Hwange National Park, enjoying the luxurious comforts of lodges. And discover the hidden treasures of the Sinamatella area, immersing yourself in the rugged beauty of the African wilderness at our mobile camp. With expert guides leading the way, this safari promises to be an adventure of a lifetime.

Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Ilala Lodge Hotel	Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe)	HB	1 Night
Hideaways Bumbusi Wilderness Camp	Western Hwange National Park	FI	2 Nights
Mobile Campsite - Sinamatella Area	Western Hwange National Park	FB+	2 Nights
Hideaways Nantwich, Hwange	Hwange National Park	FI	2 Nights

Key

HB: Half Board - Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

B&B: Bed and Breakfast

FB+: Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities

FI: Fully Inclusive - Bed, All Meals, Fees and Activities

Included

- 7 x Breakfast
- 6 x Lunches
- 7 x Dinner
- Accommodation and meals as mentioned in the itinerary or of similar standard
- Return airport transfers as specified in the itinerary
- Services of an English-speaking driver guide on the excursions specified
- Activities and excursions as mentioned
- Park entrance and river usage fees unless otherwise stipulated

Excluded

- Flights: International & domestic
- Pre and post tour accommodation
- Optional activities
- Drinks not mentioned
- Personal expenses such as gratuities, telephone calls, curios, travel insurance etc.

Additional Information

Unique Experiences

- You will be able to explore two different regions of Zimbabwe's biggest national park, experience the remote wilderness and grassy plains of wildlife rich area of northern Hwange National Park as well as the Mopane forest of the eastern region, with excellent game viewing all round.
- immersing yourself in the rugged beauty of the African wilderness at mobile camp in Sinamatella

Day 1: Ilala Lodge Hotel, Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe)

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.

Day Itinerary

On arrival at Victoria Falls Airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Discover the charms of this iconic town by visiting the vibrant markets whilst engaging with the friendly locals, and end off the day with a sunset voyage on the magnificent Zambezi River.

Overnight: Ilala Lodge Hotel [View iBrochure](#)

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 Wi-Fi 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. Experience new tastes, indulge in unusual flavours and enjoy delectable dishes at our award winning restaurant "The Palm"; dine in view of the spray of the majestic Victoria Falls! We have a tours desk in the hotel where you can book all your activities. Ilala Lodge also has a spa, where you can spoil yourself after that long safari! Activities



Activities

Sunset Cruise

Enjoy a brief history of the river with a cocktail in hand as you set out on the Sunset Cruise. Snack on delicacies from the high tea selection, as well as other delectable snacks, and be treated to any of the thirst-quenching beverages from the fully-stocked bar, while you take in the wild Zambezi.



Basis

Half Board - Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 2-4: Hideaways Bumbusi Wilderness Camp, Western Hwange National Park

Day Itinerary

After breakfast, a road transfer will take you to Bumbusi Wilderness Camp, Hwange immersing yourself in a different facet of the park. Kick-start your days with a guided bush walk amidst the early morning, breathing in the crisp air, or opt for a morning or afternoon game drives, offering remarkable encounters with wildlife.

Overnight: Hideaways Bumbusi Wilderness Camp

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There are few safari camps that are as unique and private as Hideaways Bumbusi Wilderness Camp. This camp's historical ruins site and secluded game viewing offer guests the chance to experience a Zimbabwean safari with a difference. Located in a reclaimed corner of Hwange National Park where gorges, riverines, and hills are ideal for safari lovers, especially those who enjoy exploring on foot. The camp is tucked beneath a lush forest of mahogany and jackalberry trees, which provide a shady escape for wildlife, especially elephants during the drier season. In addition to the walking and game drive experience, visiting the Bumbusi National Monument adds a historical richness to any safari and is located a short drive from camp.



Basis

Fully Inclusive - Bed, All Meals, Fees and Activities
All Drinks (excl Premium Brands & Sprints) Included

Day 4: Mobile Campsite - Sinamatella Area, Western Hwange National Park

Western Hwange National Park

Located in western Zimbabwe, Hwange National Park (formerly Wankie Game Reserve) is the largest natural reserve in the country and is famous for its rich diversity of wildlife. The northern and western areas of the park are different - the northern area is encompassed by the Zambezi watershed, while the western part consists of grasslands, marshes, and scattered woodlands. The natural seeps such as Nehimba and Shakwanki, where animals dig for water, are particularly notable. The park is home to one of the biggest elephant populations in the world, as well as around 100 mammal species, and several protected animals including the endangered wild dog, critically endangered black rhino, and rare roan and sable. Around 500 bird species also inhabit the area. Visitors can look forward to bush hikes, game drives, and horse riding safaris.

Day Itinerary

Today we drive to South to an the Sinamatella area - a remote and rugged region located in the northern part of Hwange National Park, Zimbabwe. It is known for its stunning natural beauty, including rocky outcrops and dramatic landscapes that are home to a variety of wildlife such as elephants, lions, leopards, and African wild dogs.

Here, you'll fully immerse yourself in the wild by staying at a mobile camp, allowing you to experience the raw beauty of nature up close and personal.

Embark on an off-road game drive along the banks of the Lukosi River, where you'll encounter a diverse array of wildlife,

Overnight: Mobile Campsite - Sinamatella Area

This back-to-basic, Hwange National Park Experience will take you back in time with the 'charisma and charm' of how the Safari Industry first began. During your stay in Hwange, you will stay in areas rarely visited by anybody else and encounter something that not many a safari enthusiast would ever get to experience, sleeping in tents under the star-lit night sky with nothing but the canvas wall of your tent separating you from the outside! Jackals barking, lions roaring as they advertise their presence to all and owls hooting, are just some of the night sounds that you can look forward to hearing during your four nights. Sitting around early morning fires are complete with a coffee and biscuits, or dinner around the evening fire, you will truly experience the romance the African wilderness has to offer.



Basis

Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities
All Drinks (excl Premium Brands) Included

Day 5: Mobile Campsite - Sinamatella Area, Western Hwange National Park

Day Itinerary

Today you will embark on a walking safari adventure along the Lukosi River, led by an expert guide, where you'll hopefully have the chance to track rhinos and witness the majesty of these magnificent creatures up close in their natural habitat.

Basis

Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities
All Drinks (excl Premium Brands) Included

Day 6-8: Hideaways Nantwich, Hwange, Hwange National Park

Hwange National Park

Hwange National Park is the largest reserve in Zimbabwe and is home to a variety of wildlife, including giraffes, lions, zebras and about 40 000 elephants. It is also a protected region for endangered species. The area stretches from sandy dunes and savannahs through to rocky terrain and forests.

Day Itinerary

Experience the thrill of adventure as we journey to our next lodge, situated in Northern Hwange, where you'll have two unforgettable days to explore the African wilderness through exhilarating game drives and immersive game walks.

Overnight: Hideaways Nantwich, Hwange [View iBrochure](#)

A hidden gem within a hidden gem, experience this unique and intimate eco-lodge reclaimed from a bygone era. Hideaways Nantwich Lodge has a history closely tied to that of Hwange National Park, as described here by acclaimed author Tony Park. Nantwich Lodge attracts true safari lovers who want to get off the beaten track and discover the pristine wilderness and abundant wildlife of Northern Hwange National Park in Zimbabwe. Perched up on a hill overlooking a large dam with resident crocodile and hippo, the game lodge boasts some of the best game viewing in the area. This remote safari lodge in Hwange National Park promotes conservation and responsible tourism by preserving the natural heritage of this great wilderness.



Activities

[Full-Day Game Drive](#)

Full Day Game Drive in the Hwange National Park with our trained guides. This activity includes lunch.



Walking Safari

Take part in a 3-hour game walk with our pro-guide in Hwange National Park. A walk through the bush allows guests to experience it from a completely different perspective than in a game safari vehicle. Our pro-guide will be sure to point out many interesting things not always visible to the naked eye and will ensure that guests are completely safe.



Basis

Fully Inclusive - Bed, All Meals, Fees and Activities
All Drinks (excl. Premium brands & Spirits) Included

Day 8: End of Itinerary

Day Itinerary

Enjoy your final breakfast before being transferred to Victoria Falls Airport for your onward flight. We hope to welcome you again on one of our next safari adventures.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Transport

Transfers

Date	Company	Pick Up	Drop Off	Time	Vehicle
		Victoria Falls International Airport [VFA]	Ilala Lodge Hotel		Transfer
		Ilala Lodge Hotel	Bumbusi Wilderness Camp		Transfer
		Bumbusi Wilderness Camp	Mobile Campsite - Sinamatella Area		Transfer
		Mobile Campsite - Sinamatella Area	Hideaways Nantwich, Hwange		Transfer
		Hideaways Nantwich, Hwange	Victoria Falls International Airport [VFA]		Transfer

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Travel Information

Safari Do's and Don'ts:

Jenman Safaris has extensive knowledge and experience in most African Countries. Throughout the many years we have learnt about a few "Do's and Don'ts" while travelling in and around Africa. We have therefore developed this list for you to read at your leisure. All tips are not always relevant to all the areas that you travel to – depending on your tour.

Due to a lack of transparent and credible regulation relating to ethically acceptable practices where captive wildlife is concerned, Jenman African Safaris has taken the decision not to support any activities that include physical contact with captive wildlife. We urge you to consider the ethical implications of taking part in any such activity that may be offered at your lodge.

Arriving for Safari

Get some rest on the first day of your arrival – you may need some time to adjust to a different time zone. Rather arrive a day early to rest and start off your tour refreshed and ready for adventure!

Currency

When you need to exchange your currency, avoid any exchanges on the street or in other areas that may seem suspect. Always note that even when people approach you with an, e.g., 50% premium exchange rate offer, this exchange is considered part of the black market and is illegal! Hotels, Camps and Lodges can change money, but sometimes the rate is slightly lower. We recommend that you visit an accredited Bureau de Change.

Credit Cards

Credit cards such as Visa and MasterCard are widely accepted in most areas as well as at bigger hotels and lodges.

Hospitals and Pharmacies

The larger towns in Southern Africa have pharmacies and hospitals, but you should always make sure you have enough of your medicine in case the pharmacies/hospitals don't stock them.

Telephone

In most areas you can call internationally – however please note that some of the smaller areas may not have these facilities and international phone calls are costly. Also, built up areas and towns do have cell-phone reception!

Passports, Documents and Valuables

Please make sure that you keep your passport, documents and any other valuables with you at all times! We recommend that a copy of these documents should be made and kept in another safe place in case something happens to the originals. Never leave valuables alone and remember you are on safari, so expensive and valuable jewellery is not necessary.

Safety

Every area (any where in the world) can be unsafe at times. Please take common precautions at all times and never walk alone, especially at night or in run-down areas!

Packing

Remember to always check the amount of luggage you are allowed to take on the plane as well as on the Safari Vehicle – they may differ. We recommend that a soft bag is used instead of a hard suitcase as it's preferable on safari. Most air flights allow for 20kgs and our scheduled safaris are limited to 15kgs per person. Don't forget to put luggage tags on your suitcases (for the airplane and the safari).

Luggage and Medication

Please be advised that you should put any medication that you need (e.g.: diabetes medication) into your hand luggage, even with the strict regulations, airlines will allow that as long as you have a letter from your doctor.

What to wear:

You are on safari and out in the bush so make sure that you are comfortably dressed with comfortable shoes. Always have a mix of clothing including: summer clothes, light raincoat, warm top and a hat.

Punctuality

Please be on time when you meet your vehicles for the game drives. If you run late you may delay the rest of the trip or miss something wonderful!

Climate

Always remember that the African Sun may look gentle but it is strong and can be harsh. Too much sun can lead to headaches, dehydration, nausea and dizziness. Rather look after yourself by using sun screen and a hat versus trying to get a nice African Tan.

Drinking Water

In built-up areas the water is safe to drink (mostly in South Africa) however, some areas it is not safe to drink the tap water at all! So we rather recommend that you drink bottled water at all times to prevent any illness. You may use the tap water to rinse your mouth when brushing your teeth! Ice is generally fine to consume, but sometimes it is better to be cautious. We advise you to rather drink bottled water at all times in Africa!

Food and drink

Africa is famous for its fruit and fresh vegetables – which can be enjoyed all around Africa. Fruit and Vegetables should be peeled before eating. Drinks (including spirits) and cigarettes can be bought in most areas but are normally quite expensive. On our Safaris we do provide most/all meals which are prepared by our guide or at a lodge.

Anti-malaria medication

A lot of areas in Africa are affected by Malaria – we strongly recommend that you take your anti-malaria medication. Take your medication exactly as its prescribed and directed, don't skip any medication! At the end of your safari, if at any time you develop influenza symptoms please consult your doctor immediately.

Power and Electricity

Most places (hotels, lodges) have electricity. But we always recommend that you should take a flash light with you on safari. Always remember if you plug something in (e.g.: One of your appliances) there may be a different voltage! The usual voltage is 220-240 AC. If your appliance does not match this voltage you need to bring a converter with as some lodges may not have a converter for you to use...

Photos

There will be many amazing photo's that you will want to capture along the way on your safari. But, you need to make sure you don't take any photos of any people without their permission. Also, never take pictures of anyone/anything in the military, police force, armed forces, government, presidents or airports.

Animals

The animals in the bush and the ones that you may see on safari are wild and should not be approached! Animals may roam freely around so be observant and cautious when walking from place to place.

Tipping

Tipping is not included in meals unless there is a service charge included in the bill – then you don't need to tip. Normal tipping is 10% of the bill for drinks and food. Tipping for guides and drivers are always appreciated and range from US\$5 and US\$10 per day...

Driver-Guide/Safari Guide

Your driver and guide is complete with experience, information and knowledge of all the areas that you will travel to. Be sure to ask them lots of questions and feel free to chat to them about anything.

We hope that our list of 'Do's and Don'ts' have been useful and helpful. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any more questions that we haven't covered in the above list...

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