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## Highlights of Victoria Falls

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*Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe*

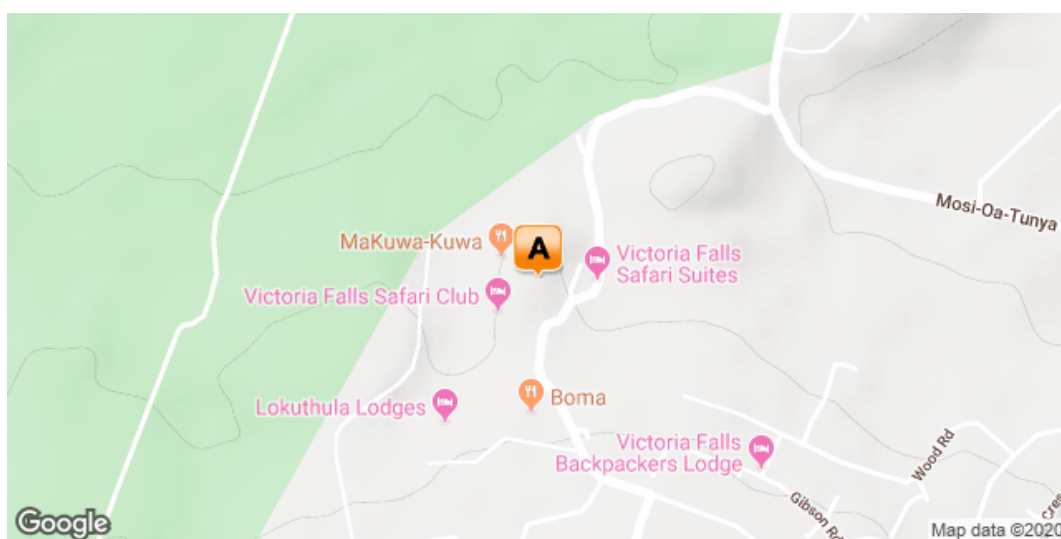
*6 Days / 5 Nights*

*2 Persons*

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## Introduction

Take a journey with us around the mighty Victoria Falls, as you spend 5 nights at a lodge on the banks of the Zambezi. This is your base as you explore the region, visiting and experiencing a range of activities to make this a relaxed trip to remember! Visit the Falls, enjoy a full day safari at Chobe National Park, enjoy boat cruises, fishing, night drives and more in the area!

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Accommodation	Destination	Duration
<a href="#">Victoria Falls Safari Lodge</a>	Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe	5 Nights

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## Price

- **ZAR 40 335** per person sharing | 2 adults

About **USD 2820** per person sharing.

## Included

- This is an all-inclusive safari; tour price includes park fees (unless for own expense), transport, activities (unless optional), accommodation, meals (unless for own expense), and your own personal, guide
- Arrival and departure Airport transfers
- Services of professional English Speaking guide-drivers
- Bottled water daily, along with morning tea/coffee
- This is a private, guided tour and will ONLY service you. Some activities will be with other clients, but the freedom of travel is mostly with you
- Comprehensive company insurance covering most aspects of the tour

## Excluded

- Pre-tour or post-tour accommodation, visas or personal travel insurance
- Both international and internal flights. We will quote the internal flights separately, based on dates and times of your personal itinerary
- Conservation fees for Victoria Falls Tour ( US\$ 30 per person entrance fee) and Zambezi Boat Cruise (\$10 per person, payable direct in cash)
- Personal shopping and curios
- Laundry and telephone calls
- Soft drinks & alcohol (we provide a fridge for drinks)
- Gratuities & tips
- Any other expense not listed as included above

## Day 1: Victoria Falls Safari Lodge, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe (Thu, 26 March)

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### Zimbabwe

A nation of spectacular natural beauty, friendly people and rich culture, Zimbabwe's status as one of Africa's leading safari destinations was dampened for years by its political instability. But now that the country is transcending its strife and returning to a state of equilibrium, it is once again emerging as a vacation highlight of the continent. Victoria Falls – known to locals as 'The Smoke That Thunders' – is one of the seven natural wonders of the world and the sheer power of this massive body of water plunging into the Zambezi Gorge is awe-inspiring and unforgettable. Lake Kariba, with its game-rich shores and islands, is an idyllic safari spot featuring mind-blowing sunsets; Hwange National Park is known for its huge herds of elephants; and a kayak trip down the Zambezi through the Mana Pools National Park will appeal to the intrepid traveller, providing close encounters with crocodiles, hippos and a host of other wildlife.

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### 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 microlights, 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.

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### Day Itinerary

On arrival at Victoria Falls Airport, be welcomed by your guide after border formalities, and transfer to your hotel for the next 5 nights.

Check in and relax. Enjoy the magnificent views and atmosphere of Victoria Falls Safari Lodge, enjoying dinner at the lodge this evening.

### Overnight: Victoria Falls Safari Lodge [View iBrochure](#)

Built on a plateau overlooking the Zambezi National Park, Victoria Falls Safari Lodge is just 4km from the majestic Victoria Falls and offers a unique wildlife experience.

We're proud to have been voted Best Safari Lodge/ Resort Hotel in Zimbabwe for 21 consecutive years and look forward to welcoming you to our wonderful destination. Our staff are warm and personable, and will ensure your holiday is hassle-free.

Built of thatch and timber, the lodge rises several levels, giving the impression of a vast open-plan tree house. Our rooms all have private balconies, most of which overlook a central waterhole, offering the opportunity to observe herds of buffalo, elephant and kudu, as the sun goes down, and hyenas later in the evening.

#### Dining

Dining options include the a la carte MaKuwa-Kuwa Restaurant, the more casual Buffalo Bar and The Boma – Dinner & Drum Show. The Boma Café, set in a tranquil garden setting and located close to the Lokuthula Lodges, offers breakfast and light meals until 4.30pm.



## Day 2: Victoria Falls Safari Lodge, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe (Fri, 27 March)

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### Day Itinerary

Enjoy a relaxed morning with breakfast at your lodge. Be picked up by your guide at your lodge, and transfer in the morning for a guided tour of the mighty Victoria Falls.

Enjoy some leisure time during the afternoon, with a visit to the Craft Market. In the evening, you'll enjoy a night drive experience with a bush dinner set out in the wilderness. Night drives are a great way to search for the nocturnal animals of the African bush. Return later in the evening to your lodge.

### Activities

Morning	Victoria Falls - The Falls
Dinner	Wild Horizons Evening Game Drive & Bush Dinner

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#### *Victoria Falls - The Falls*

One of the original natural wonders of the world, the Victoria Falls is breathtaking and not surprisingly a World Heritage Site. Known locally as 'The Smoke that Thunders' this spectacle is accessible from both Zambia and Zimbabwe. Unlike other waterfalls Victoria Falls has a natural catwalk across from the falls which provides for spectacular viewing.



#### *Wild Horizons Evening Game Drive & Bush Dinner*

During the drive guests may see the Big 5 along with a variety of antelope and exceptional bird life. Open four wheel drive vehicles venture on a safari along the shores of the scenic lake, and through basalt plains into teak forests. The Victoria Falls Private Game Reserve offers an excellent opportunity to see the rare and endangered Black Rhino. No evening game drive is complete without a stop for snacks and drinks. The evening game drive is special because guests have the opportunity to see nocturnal animals unlikely to be found during the day. After the exciting game drive, guests can sit down for a bush dinner to recap on the sightings.

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## Day 3: Victoria Falls Safari Lodge, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe (Sat, 28 March)

### Day Itinerary

This morning enjoy a relaxed one again, with breakfast at leisure at your lodge.

Today you head out on a half day fishing safari, exploring the Zambezi and having a go at catching Tiger Fish and other species that roam the waters. This is a very peaceful experience, as the Zambezi provides life-giving water to the bush and animals in the region.

Return in the afternoon to your lodge and relax. This evening you'll enjoy a wonderful local experience with dinner at the Boma, for fine local cuisine and traditional African drumming, dancing and singing.

### Activities

Morning	Zambezi Fishing Safaris
Dinner	The Boma Restaurant

### *Zambezi Fishing Safaris*

The ultimate fishing experience on the mighty Zambezi River.

With over 75 species, you can't go wrong with a fishing excursion on the Zambezi River. It offers one of the most exciting and challenging experiences for avid anglers: an opportunity to catch the Tiger Fish.

Rated by many sports anglers as the finest freshwater fighting fish in the world, this powerful and swift predator is sure to give you a run for your money.

The fishing starts at Kalai island about 9 km above the falls. We then move downstream between the islands looking for the best spot where the fish are found.

At 07h30 Minor Resort Hotel residents are collected by boat at the Royal Livingstone Hotel deck, and a road transfer will collect guests from accommodation venues in Livingstone town. Departure is at 08h00 from the Royal Landing Jetty for an exciting morning's fishing on the Zambezi. Both trips return at 12:00.

Non-fishing partners are welcome to join the river safari experience, special rates apply.

Maximum anglers 6, maximum anglers per boat 4 plus non-fishing partners

The rate includes return transport to your hotel, early morning tea and coffee, a light snack and cold beverages.



### *The Boma Restaurant*

The Boma – Dinner & Drum Show is a “must do” Victoria Falls dining and entertainment experience, specializing in traditional African food, drumming and dancing. The food is cooked and served in the style and quantity of a lavish feast, including irresistible desserts.



On arrival, you are dressed in a chitenge (traditional sarong) and welcomed into a vibrant atmosphere in which the tantalizing aromas of local dishes and game meat on the braai (barbecue) fill the restaurant, which is partially open to the star-filled African sky.

Your meal begins with a mouth-watering platter of starters whilst the buffet includes soup from the campfire, a range of salads, game meat cooked on a braai (barbecue), followed by desserts. Vegetarian options are also available, as well as local dishes such as peanut butter spinach

You can also look forward to outstanding performances by traditional singers and dancers, and enjoy an energizing interactive drumming show. A face painter, storyteller, hair braider and fortune teller also form part of this festive evening.




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## Day 4: Victoria Falls Safari Lodge, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe (Sun, 29 March)

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### Day Itinerary

Today you head out early in the morning to enjoy a full day's safari experience at neighbouring Chobe National Park in Botswana. Begin with a boat cruise on the Chobe river, watching from safety at the hippos and myriad of animals like Elephants, Buffalo, birds, crocodiles etc. that come to the river.

In the afternoon, you'll enjoy a open vehicle safari in Chobe National Park, searching for wildlife here. Return in the evening to your lodge for dinner and to relax.

### Activities

Morning	Chobe Boat Cruise
Afternoon	Chobe Safari Lodge Game Drive

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### *Chobe Boat Cruise*

The Chobe Boat Cruise is a wonderful way to experience the Chobe National Park. Puku and lechwe antelopes are common on the Chobe Floodplains and herds of elephants can be seen crossing the Chobe River to the islands. Other common sites are hippos and crocodiles basking in the sun. There are a variety of boating options for the Chobe boat cruises. Guests can join a standard cruise on a river cruiser taking about 30-40 people or have the opportunity to take a smaller boat and focus on photography and birding. The bigger boats have bars on board for drinks and soft drinks. All Chobe boat cruises depart from Kasane, the town which borders onto the Chobe national park. There are regular afternoon and morning departures.



### *Chobe Safari Lodge Game Drive*

Chobe Safari Lodge Game Drive offers guests the opportunity to view abundant species of animal life including elephants up close. There is also the possibility of encountering a large predator. The game drives have three departure times during the time, which all have a duration of approximately three hours. Alternative arrangements can be made to book either a half or full day drive with a picnic lunch.



## **Day 5: Victoria Falls Safari Lodge, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe (Mon, 30 March)**

### **Day Itinerary**

On your final full day, enjoy a relaxed one at leisure. Feel free to enjoy the comforts of the lodge, or to enjoy any of your own activities. Visiting Victoria Falls town is also something to enjoy.

In the evening, you'll enjoy a final send off with a dinner cruise on the mighty Zambezi River. Enjoy sun-downers as the animals come to drink in the evening, before a wonderful dinner on board.

Return to your lodge in the evening.

### **Activities**

Dinner	Wild Horizons Zambezi Dinner Cruise
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### *Wild Horizons Zambezi Dinner Cruise*

As the sun begins its descent, step on board our floating restaurant for an exceptional evening on the Zambezi River. Like the exquisite bird after which it was named "Malachite" is one of the Zambezi River's crowning gems. On the upper deck, guests are offered a glass of sparkling wine to sip as they settle into the plush cushioned furniture and relax before the journey along the Zambezi River begins; all the while looking out for the various birdlife and animals there are to be seen and then watching as one of Africa's famous sunsets erupts in the sky.

After the sun has sunk below the river line, dinner is served on the lower deck of the vessel exemplifying the hallmarks of exquisite cuisine prepared on board by two Chefs. The rich aroma of locally sourced, fresh ingredients wafts around diners as the dishes are plated.

Time seems to stand still as the boat gently glides along to the sound of water lapping up against her sides. Far removed from the glare of city lights and noise, the moon and stars shine brightly in the sky and an atmosphere of mystery and romance envelopes the evening's experience.

Departures: Daily, subject to availability

Minimum: 2 Maximum: 32



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## Day 6:      End of Itinerary (Tue, 31 March)

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### Day Itinerary

This morning is relaxed, as you enjoy breakfast at your lodge.

Transfer out to Victoria Falls airport for flights home or own itinerary.



## Transport

### Transfers

Date	Company	Pick Up	Drop Off	Time	Vehicle
26 Mar		Victoria Falls International Airport [VFA]	Victoria Falls Safari Lodge		Transfer
31 Mar		Victoria Falls Safari Lodge	Victoria Falls International Airport [VFA]		Transfer

### Urgent Contact Numbers

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### Terms and Conditions

#### Siya Phambile Expeditions Terms and Conditions

We quote prices for an entire trip. For full details of what is included, an itinerary will be sent to you.

- We require a 30% deposit on a trip's full value at least 60 days before the starting date of a trip
- This deposit is non-refundable after 60 days before the starting date of said trip
- We require the full amount for a trip at least 30 days before the starting date of a trip
- Trips cancelled after the date of payment in full will be subjected to a 90% cancellation fee

Private tours (i.e. tours reserved for ONLY you, and preventing others from joining the expedition) will increase the cost. A surcharge will be levied, where clients wish to reserve a tour for their exclusive use. It is highly personal though, with your own guide, so the extra costs are to compensate for this.