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THREE RIVERS

A camping safari is a very special experience, affording partakers the close contact with fauna and flora. Camp is set in the bush and for two weeks the cosy tents and the campfire become home and a place to relax. Stories are told, an exchange of experiences takes place or one might simply be carried away to dreamland when staring into the flames of the fire.

To provide you with a taste of what to expect on your trip, we commence with the Etosha pan. Here you are gently introduced to the African adventure and will for the first time encounter wild animals in their natural habitat.

The Kaudom National Park is situated in the Bushmanland. Meeting the native inhabitants of the Kalahari will provide food for thought as these people are masters of survival and have since ancient times lived in harmony with nature. Until as recent as a few decades ago they have been roving the Kalahari in search of food, digging for edible roots and hunting with bow and arrow. Their lifestyle has changed, as is visible in so many tribes that were exposed to the ways and means of modern civilization.

The Kaudom National Park is situated in an area previously known as the Kalahari basin and is reputed to be one of the 'wild-est' parks in southern Africa. Elephants, antelopes, zebras and, along with these, predators move along the migration routes in search of food.

The Popa Falls, the Mahango National Park, the Central Kalahari Game Reserve and Moremi are equally famous for their wildlife. Four of the 'Big Five' of Africa's wildlife are at home here. Vital principles of the animal way of life here are based on the fight for survival, preservation of species and dominance of the strongest.

The Okavango forms a boundary river to Angola and can be regarded as an angler's paradise, while the birdlife is incomparably abundant in the ideal habitat of papyrus forests and reeds. One should however not swim in the river as crocodiles and hippos frequent the waters.

The Horse Shoe at the Mashi River is an insider tip, not widely known even to experienced Africa tourists. Anything you ever associated with Africa lives here. Unhurriedly, gigantic elephant herds move towards the water to drink and to bathe peacefully amidst hippos and buffalo. White bones, bleached by the intense African sun, bear proof of the lions' nocturnal activities. Marabous proudly stride through the African bush, fulfilling their important duty they were awarded by nature. And at night at the campfire, when all else is quiet, the African Symphony manifests the surrounding wilderness and lack of civilization. Myths and legends come alive, but the shudders caused only kindle a craving for more adventure.

The Zambezi is one of the rivers that provide the Victoria Falls with water. Even David Livingstone was spellbound by the bombastic volumes of water which drop to a depth of 110m into the gorge below. The indigenous name "MOSI-OA-TUNIA", which means "THE THUNDEROUS SMOKE", springs from the sound of rolling thunder and the spray rising due to the constant anabatic winds.

Livingstone, the capital of old Rhodesia until 1935 and at that time subject to British rule, used to be a trans-shipment centre for mineral resources. This little town has now been revitalized and political changes in Zimbabwe have transformed Livingstone into a buzzing tourist centre.

Lofted above the Zambezi ravine and traditionally with a Gin/Tonic we sadly say goodbye.

See you back soon!!!

Daily itinerary for the 14 day safari

- Spectacular advanced Camping safari
- Experience three African rivers
- Unspoilt Caprivi
- Victoria Falls from the Zambian side

Day 01:

Windhoek - Ghaub guest farm (400km)
Travel on tar roads to the Ghaub guest farm at Tsumeb.
Via: Okahandja (Wood carving market, Herero graves)
Otjiwarongo
Otavi
Overnight at the Ghaub guest farm.

Day 02:

Ghaub - Sikereti (380km)
Drive to Tsumkwe, then on dirt tracks to Sikereti in the Khaudom National Park

Via: Grootfontein (museum)
Tsumkwe (Bushman Foundation)
Overnight in tents in the Sikereti rest camp.

Day 03:

Game spotting in the Khaudom National Park (140km)
Game drives through the Khaudom National Park.
Overnight in tents in the Khaudom rest camp.

Day 04:

Game spotting in the Khaudom National Park
Game drives through the Khaudom National Park.
Overnight in tents in the Khaudom rest camp.

Day 05:

Khaudom - Shamvura (60km)
50 kilometres through thick sand (3-4 hrs), then on good roads to Shamvura on the Okavango.
Boat travel on the river (optional)
Overnight in tents at Shamvura.

Day 06:

Shamvura – Popa Falls (70km)
Travel to the Popa Falls.
Game spotting in the Mahango National Park.
Overnight in tents in the N//goa Baca Camp.

Day 07:

Game Spotting in the Mahango National Park
Game drives in the Mahango National Park.
Overnight in tents in the N//goa Baca Camp.

Day 08:

Popa - Nambwa (220km)
Travel on mainly tarred roads to Nambwa on the Kwando (Mashi).
Game drives at the Horseshoe.
Overnight in tents at Nambwa on the banks of the Kwando.

Day 09:

Game spotting around the Horseshoe
Game drives in the Horseshoe area on the Kwando.
Overnight in tents at Nambwa on the banks of the Kwando.

Day 10:

Nambwa - Mamili park (140km)
Travel on gravel and dirt roads through the Mamili park.
Overnight in tents on the banks of the Linyanthi.

Day 11:

Game spotting in the Mamili park
Game drives through the park.
Overnight in tents on the banks of the Linyanthi.

Day 12:

Mamili park - Livingstone/Zambia (350km)
Travel on dirt and gravel roads via Katima Mulilo and Shesheke to Livingstone.
Border crossing to Zambia at Shesheke
Overnight in the Taita Falcon Lodge.

Day 13:

Livingstone and Victoria Falls
Sightseeing in Livingstone and the Victoria Falls
Travel through the small park at the Zambezi.
Overnight in the Taita Falcon Lodge.

Day 14:

Transfer to Livingstone Airport/Victoria Falls.

End of the safari.