

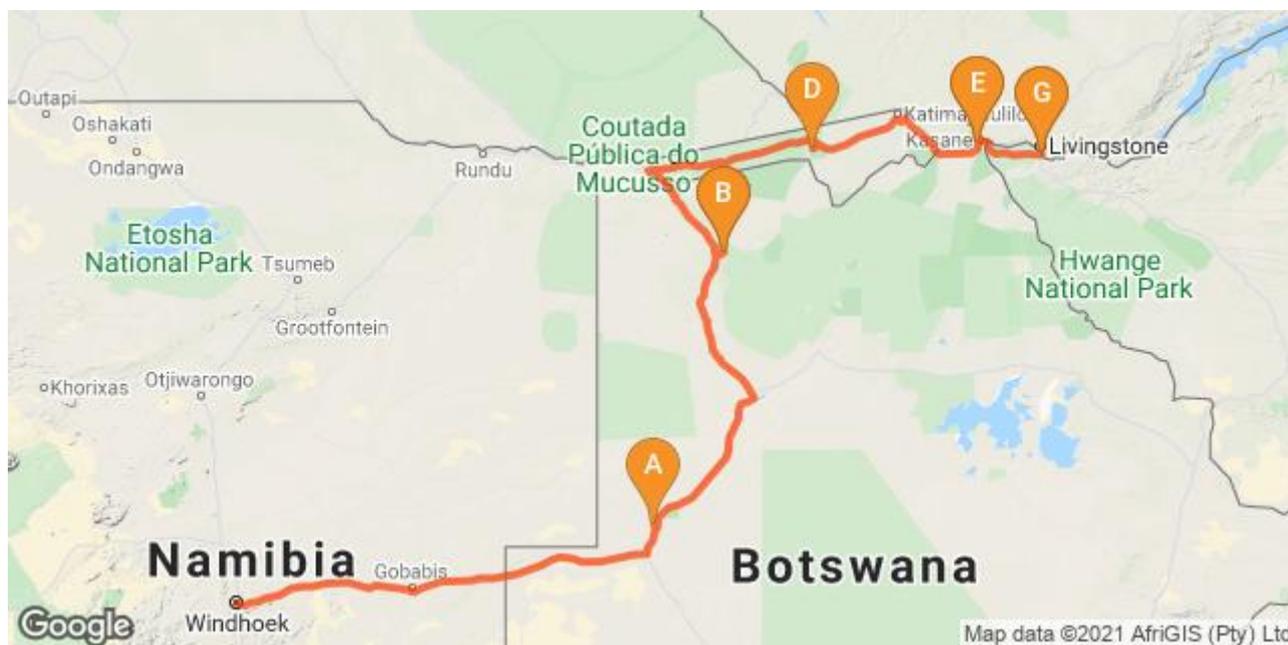


2021 & 2022 - SCH 9 day Delta Falls Camping safari (selected Fri departure)

Ghanzi - Gobabis - Guma Lagoon - Zambezi Region - Kasane - Chobe National Park - Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe)

9 Days / 8 Nights

Group Size: Minimum 1 guest Maximum 14 guests



Introduction

Interact with the San People in Botswana, visit the western side of the Okavango Delta, travel through the Caprivi Strip, game viewing in Chobe National Park before arriving in Victoria Falls..

Departs: from Windhoek selected Friday mornings.

Ends: in Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe) on a Saturday morning early.

Important note: guests needing visas for Namibia & Botswana, these need to be multiple entry visas.

2021 Departure dates

Nov	Dec	Jan 22	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct
13	-	-	-	12	09	07	04	02	13	10	08
	-	-	-	26	23	21	18	16	27	24	22
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Rates valid: 01 November 2020 - 31 October 2021: NAD20 472.00 / person

2022 Departure dates

Nov	Dec	Jan 22	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct
19	-	-	-	11	08	06	03	01	12	09	07
	-	-	-	25	22	20	17	15	26	23	21
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Pricing is per person sharing – as tours tend to run full, we have limited packing space on the vehicles, tents are bulky items and as such we do require people of same gender to share.

Single tents may be supplied for those with valid health reasons, no single supplement payable.

Can this tour be combined with others: Yes, it can!

- Northern Adventure tour (7 days) Okonjima, Etosha National Park, Twyfelfontein, Swakopmund
- 6 day Taste of Namibia
- 14 day Namibian Experience (SN)

Our team start their return journey back to Windhoek early Saturday morning, arriving home mid to late afternoon on Sunday. Should any guests wish to return to Namibia these will be a charge of NAD3150.00 per person for this transfer. We stop over on route back in either Rundu or Grootfontein where we camp, two lunches, 1 dinner and 1 breakfast are included in the cost

Start	Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Room Type	Duration
Day 1	Ghanzi Trail Blazers	Ghanzi	L&D	1x Campsite	1 Night
Day 2	Guma Lagoon Campsite	Guma Lagoon	FB	1x Campsite	1 Night
Day 3	Guma Lagoon Campsite	Guma Lagoon	FB	1x Campsite	1 Night
Day 4	Mukolo Camp	Zambezi Region	FB	1x Campsite	1 Night
Day 5	Chobe Safari Lodge Campsite	Kasane	FB	1x Campsite	1 Night
Day 6	Chobe Safari Lodge Campsite	Kasane	FB	1x Campsite	1 Night
Day 7	Shearwater Explorers Village	Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe)	B,B&L	1x Campsite	1 Night
Day 8	Shearwater Explorers Village	Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe)	B&B	1x Campsite	1 Night

Key

B&B: Bed and Breakfast

B,B&L: Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

L&D: Lunch and Dinner

FB: Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

Included

- Professional guide
- Camp assistant

- All transport whilst on tour
- Meals as specified
- Camping equipment (does not include sleeping bag / pillow / stretcher)
- National Park entrance fees
- Campsite fees

Excluded

- Sleeping bag – can be rented for a daily fee of NAD45.00
- Stretcher - can be rented for a daily fee of NAD55.00
- Pillow
- Alcoholic beverages, soft drinks & bottled water
- Personal travel insurance - **compulsory**

Day 1: **Ghanzi Trail Blazers, Ghanzi**

Situated 300 kilometres southwest of Maun and just north of the Trans-Kalahari highway, which runs from Lobatse in Botswana to Walvis Bay in Namibia, the small town of Ghanzi is sometimes referred to as the 'Capital of the Kalahari'. It serves as the administrative centre of the Ghanzi district which covers a vast area of cattle ranches and farmland in the west of Botswana. The Ghanzi area has a number of lodges that focus on cultural tourism as well as wildlife viewing - here you can experience the fascinating world of the San Bushmen as they explain to you how they forage, hunt and find water in this harsh environment.

Day Itinerary

Day 1 - Friday

Route: Windhoek to Ghanzi Trailblazers

Distance: 521 km

Collection time: 07h30 – 08h00 from any accommodation within the City of Windhoek

Journey: Leaving Windhoek our journey takes us due east to the heart of Namibia's cattle country, our last stop before arriving at Buitepos as we cross the border into Botswana. A late afternoon arrival at our campsite, the guests of Ghanzi Trail Blazers have the opportunity to get a glimpse of a San/Bushman culture that is fast disappearing.

Overnight: Ghanzi Trail Blazers

Ghanzi Trail Blazers caters for visitors who wish to have a genuine glimpse of a fast disappearing unique and ancient culture. It offers a number of activities to interact with the San Bushman, and to discover how they survived in the Kalahari. Ghanzi Trail Blazers is located approximately 5.6 km away from the main road, far enough away to capture the real African bushveldt.

Activities

Morning	Gobabis
Afternoon	Ghanzi

Gobabis

Set in the heart of eastern Namibia's 'Cattle Country', the town of Gobabis is the district capital of the Omaheke region. This town features a rich heritage and cultural diversity. It is the centre of a thriving cattle farming area and has earned the nickname the 'Little Texas' of Namibia. Like most towns in Namibia, Gobabis has an interesting history, which is documented in the local Gobabis Museum. Opened on request, visitors will find a collection of historic artifacts inside, while old agricultural implements are displayed on the grounds. Visitors can also view the beautiful traditional dress of the local Herero and Damara women while strolling through town, enjoy excellent bird watching in the surrounding areas and jump on the back of a traditional Damara-nama donkey cart for a ride. Don't miss a visit to the Harnas Wildlife Foundation, a sanctuary for big cats and a variety of endangered wildlife.

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Basis

Lunch and Dinner

Included

Meals: Light lunch and dinner – camping style

Day 2: Guma Lagoon Campsite, Guma Lagoon

Guma Lagoon is found in northern Botswana. This wonderful retreat on the banks of the Okavango River is a dream destination for animal lovers and outdoor enthusiasts, providing a range of sights and activities. Not only can visitors enjoy premium bird watching (200 native species) and freshwater fishing opportunities (both spin and fly-fishing), but Guma Lagoon is also a fantastic base for self-guided game drives and traditional dug-out canoe (mokoro) trails, which allow you to navigate the palm islands and waterlily beds of the scenic Okavango. Other key activities include bush walks, forest trails and star gazing. Finally, note that accommodation is provided exclusively through Guma Lagoon Camp – and so advance booking, particularly for the self-catering units, is highly recommended.

Day Itinerary**Day 2 - Saturday**

Route: Dqae Qare San Lodge to Guma Lagoon

Distance: 395 km

Journey: An early morning as we join the San people on a bush walk, they are renowned for their extraordinary knowledge of the Kalahari for both plants and animal tracking. Our journey today takes us north, our camp is situated along the banks of the Guma Lagoon on the northwestern side of the Okavango Delta in Botswana.

Overnight: Guma Lagoon Campsite

Guma Lagoon Campsite is located on the shores of the lagoon and is a short distance from the Guma Airport. Guests have access to seven campsites of varying sizes. Smaller size campsites are suitable for individual families while larger

sites are suitable for large groups with multiple tents. All campers have access to a fully equipped self-catering kitchen and a private bathroom. Campers may also dine at the on-site restaurant which offers a variety of meals.

Included

Meals: Breakfast, light lunch and dinner – camping style

Day 3: Guma Lagoon Campsite, Guma Lagoon

Day Itinerary**Day 3 - Sunday**

Route: Guma – day out on the waterways

Journey: This morning we meet our team of Mokoro Polers who we'll spend the day with (a traditional dugout canoe, locally known as a mokoro, was the mode of transport chosen by the Okavango's first inhabitants, the Bayei and Banoka people). From the lodge it's a boat transfer that passes through a narrow meandering channel will get you to the start of your mokoro experience. Hop onto a fiberglass or wooden mokoro (seats two people), from here you will be poled through the tranquil channels that link the extensive flood plain system to the main river. Water lily beds, palm islands and papyrus stands abound making for the most scenic of experiences. On one of the larger islands you will have time to have your lunch and a guided walk. There is always a chance of seeing large herds of red lechwe bounding through the water and passing elephants feeding amongst the lush wetland vegetation. After lunch we wend our way back to the Mokoro station and end with short motorboat ride back to camp.

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Included

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Day 4: Mukolo Camp, Zambezi Region

The Zambezi Region, also known as the Caprivi Strip, is the name given to the little finger of Namibia that extends eastwards between Angola and Botswana all the way across to Zimbabwe and creates the only spot on the planet where four countries meet. The region lies in the middle of one of Africa's largest and most well-known game-viewing areas. The abundance of water supplied by the Zambezi, Okavango, Kwando and Chobe Rivers sustains a large variety of animal and bird species. There are four Namibian reserves and no fences preventing the animals from moving between the countries. Visitors can enjoy abundant game-viewing opportunities and soak up the natural splendour of this scenic region.

Day Itinerary**Day 4 - Monday**

Route: Guma lagoon to Mukolo Campsite

Distance: 375 km

Journey: Today we travel north to Shakawe and cross the border back into Namibia and through the Bwabwata National Park – Caprivi Strip – the name given to the little finger of Namibia that extends eastwards between Angola and Botswana all the way across to Zimbabwe. The abundance of water supplied by the Zambezi, Okavango, Kwando and Chobe Rivers sustains a large variety of animal and bird species. There are four Namibian reserves and no fences preventing the animals from moving between the countries. Our campsite is a little piece of paradise with a beautiful view of the floodplains of the Kwando River.

Overnight: Mukolo Camp

With an exquisite view of the Kwando River floodplains, the Mukolo Camp is situated on the Zambezi strip of Namibia. Accommodation consists of a variety of campsites and self-catering cabins. Each campsite has a braai area and bathroom. The cabins feature a fully equipped kitchen and a private bathroom. Other amenities include an outdoor swimming pool, a bar and internet access.

Included

Meals: Breakfast, light lunch and dinner – camping style

Day 5: Chobe Safari Lodge Campsite, Kasane

Tucked away in the north-eastern corner of Botswana, on the banks of the famous Chobe River, the scenic little town of Kasane rests on the doorstep of the spectacular Chobe National Park. There are no boundary fences separating the village from the park and game such as elephant and hippo are often spotted roaming around the town. If on the lookout for elusive game, pay a visit to the Sedudu Valley Road, where large dead trees provide temporary homes for leopards. Within Kasane, an ancient baobab tree stands on display, once serving as a local prison. Visitors can look forward to a multitude of activities including: enjoying a game drive through the park, taking a sunset cruise down the Chobe River, visiting a local village or jumping on a day trip to the breathtaking Victoria Falls.

Day Itinerary

Day 5 - Tuesday

Route: Mukolo Campsite to Kasane (Botswana)

Distance: 240 km

Journey: After breakfast we visit Lizauli village where traditional arts and crafts are practised. Aside from the fascination of the actual attractions – an iron forge, a grain store, and various carvers and basket weavers – a visit here gives a good opportunity to sit down and talk to some local people about their way of life. This is just one of several important community projects in this area. A short stop will be made in the town of Katima Mulilo before crossing back into Botswana to Chobe Safari Lodge on the banks of the Chobe River.

Overnight: Chobe Safari Lodge Campsite

The famous Chobe Safari Lodge campsite offers individual sites scattered amongst the riverine forest close to the Chobe River. Each site has its own power point and is close to one of the modern ablution facilities. The Sedudu Bar overlooks the river and floodplains and is well known as “the” sundowner spot in the region.

Included

Meals: Breakfast, light lunch and dinner – camping style

Day 6: Chobe Safari Lodge Campsite, Kasane**Day Itinerary****Day 6 - Wednesday**

Route: Chobe National Park

Journey: We're up early today as we join a game drive within the Chobe National Park with the opportunity to view the abundant elephant and other big game species up close, and also the possibility of an encounter with one of the large predators (approximately 3 hour duration). Return to our campsite for lunch and time to enjoy the pool and surrounds before boarding our Chobe River cruise we you're likely to have one of the finest game viewing experiences in Africa. With over 80 000 elephants in the park alone they are a very frequent sighting. Hippo, water birds, buffalo, crocodile and puku are also viewed from the river.

Overnight: Chobe Safari Lodge Campsite**Activities**

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Chobe National Park is situated in the far northeast of Botswana, bordered to the north by the mighty Chobe River. It is the second-largest national park in Botswana and features four distinct ecosystems: the Savuti Channel in the west; the Linyanti Swamps in the northwest; the arid hinterland in between and Serondela in the extreme northeast with fertile plains and thick forests. This diversity of habitats provides a sanctuary to an astonishing array of African wildlife, most notably the impressive, shifting migratory population of more than 50 000 elephants. Visitors are also likely to spot lions, leopards, hyenas, wild dogs, impala, waterbuck, kudu, zebra, wildebeest, giraffes, and warthog. The park is also famous for its wonderful riverboat safaris, making Chobe an essential destination for any avid safari enthusiast.

Included

Meals: Breakfast, light lunch and dinner – camping style

Day 7: Shearwater Explorers Village, Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe)

Victoria Falls is one of the world's most impressive waterfalls. It is set on the magnificent Zambezi River which creates the border between Zambia and Zimbabwe. These spectacular falls can be easily visited and viewed from the Zimbabwean side. Considered to be the world's widest waterfalls, Victoria Falls measures an impressive 1708 metres in width. The small town of Victoria Falls, which lies adjacent to the waterfalls, serves as a great base from which to explore the many attractions this area of Zimbabwe has to offer. The surrounding area provides a wide range of adrenalin-filled activities for adventure lovers. Visitors can look forward to an array of wonderful activities including: scenic flights, micro lighting, white water rafting, bungee jumping, kayaking, and once-in-a-lifetime expeditions into the incredible Chobe National Park.

Day Itinerary

Day 7 - Thursday

Route: Kasane to Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe) – Shearwater Explorers Village

Distance: 82 km

Journey: Today we travel to the border at Kazungula – an area where four countries meet namely Namibia, Botswana, Zambia & Zimbabwe. After completing border formalities, it is a short drive to the town of Victoria Falls.

'Mosi-ao-Tunya' (The smoke that Thunders) is located on the border between Zimbabwe and Zambia and is considered to be one of the largest waterfalls in the world. With columns of spray and mist, not to mention the roar of the water, the spectacular sight is not to be missed. After settling into our campsite your guide will accompany you on an excursion to the Victoria Falls National Park to view this natural wonder.

Overnight: Shearwater Explorers Village

Located merely 400m from the Victoria Falls, 100m from the epicenter of the Victoria Falls town with its craft and craft & curio markets, bohemian cafes and overlooking a natural African bush panorama the Shearwater Explorers Village is the perfect "Base Camp".

Comprising of 5 bespoke Overland camping sites modern ablution facilities and 16 private chalets, the Village represents affordable accommodation at its finest – clean, cool, relaxing, elegant, excellent traditional food, ice cold drinks and exceptionally friendly hosts ready to welcome you and guide you through your Victoria Falls experience.

Activities

Victoria Falls - The Falls

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One of the original natural wonders of the world, the Victoria Falls is breath-taking 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 spectacular viewing.

Included

Meals: Breakfast and light lunch – camping style

Excluded

Dinner for own account

Day 8: Shearwater Explorers Village, Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe)

Day Itinerary

Day 8 - Friday

Route: Victoria Falls

Journey: Victoria Falls has a wide variety of optional activities for you to do today. These range from kayaking on the upper Zambezi, all manner of adventure on or near the Zambezi River (Rafting / Bungee Jump / Bridge Slide / Bridge Swing / Historical Bridge Tour / Sunset Cruise / 12 min Helicopter Flight / Game Walk / Game Drive.) Alternatively stroll around the town and craft markets or pop into the Victoria Falls hotel for afternoon high tea.

Overnight: Shearwater Explorers Village

Included

Meals: Breakfast – camping style

Excluded

Lunch and dinner for own account.

Day 9: End of Itinerary

Day Itinerary**Day 9 - Saturday**

Route: Tour ends in Victoria Falls after an early breakfast.

Your safari team leave you today as they head back to Windhoek, Namibia, this is a two-day journey and covers around 1430 km. For those flying out from Windhoek, you are most welcome to join our team, an overnight stop is made around half-way (camping) with arrival back on Sunday afternoon. This does carry a fee.

Included

Breakfast.
