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*Livingstone (Victoria Falls) - Chobe River Front*

*6 Days / 5 Nights*

*Group Size: 2-20 pax*

*Date of Issue: 21 September 2019*



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## Introduction

Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Protea Hotel by Marriott Livingstone	Livingstone (Victoria Falls)	FB+	3 Nights
<a href="#">Chobe Safari Lodge</a>	Chobe River Front	B&B	2 Nights

### Key

B&B: Bed and Breakfast

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

## Day 1: Protea Hotel by Marriott Livingstone, Livingstone (Victoria Falls)

### Livingstone (Victoria Falls)

Located a few kilometres from the Zambezi River in southwestern Zambia, the bustling town of Livingstone is famous as the home of the magnificent Victoria Falls. One of the original natural wonders of the world, the World Heritage Site is known locally as 'The Smoke that Thunders'. This spectacle is accessible from both Zambia and Zimbabwe and is an ideal place to combine game viewing and water sports. There is excellent fishing, a terrifying bungee jump and arguably the best commercial whitewater rafting in the world. Visitors can hike around the falls or try ziplining or the bridge swing. Those seeking more leisurely activities can take sunset cruises along the river, with champagne and snacks included, meander through the vibrant local Livingstone Market, or discover the region's history and archeology at the Livingstone Museum.

### Day Itinerary

- The host will coordinate activities during your stay and will plan with you on what activities you will be involved in. Below is the suggested list of activities.
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- Victoria Falls Tour on Zambian and Zimbabwean sides
- Mukuni Village Tours
- Curio Markets visit
- Museum tour
- Horse back trails
- Quad bike trails
- Micro Flights
- Helicopter Flights
- Elephant Rides
- Lion or Cheetah Encounter
- Sunset Cruise :16:30-18:30
- half a day or Overnight rafting experience level 5 rapids (lunch and overnight camping on the banks of the zambezi River)
- Game Drive - 05:30 and 15:00 hrs

### Overnight: Protea Hotel by Marriott Livingstone

On the outskirts of Livingstone lies a hotel that is just as worthy of marvel as the epic natural wonder that lies next to it. Here, you'll find Protea Hotel by Marriott Livingstone and if you travel just 10 km from this stunning hotel, you'll find the epic Victoria Falls or, as the locals affectionately call it, Mosi-oa-Tunya, "the smoke that thunders." It's a hotel that complements your travel style. Whether you're traveling for business or pleasure, there's never been a better location for a memorable escape. Protea Hotel by Marriott Livingstone has deluxe rooms with electronic door locks, digital safe, writing desk, free Wi-Fi access, international plug points, hair dryer, satellite television, direct dial telephones and more.



### Activities

Afternoon

Sunset Cruise

### Basis

Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities  
Tea, Coffee and Soft Drinks Included

### Included

- All Accommodation
- All Meals
- Mineral Water
- All activities
- Park fees
- Transport

### Excluded

- All alcoholic drinks
- Visa
- International flights
- Items of a personal nature

**Day 2: Protea Hotel by Marriott Livingstone, Livingstone (Victoria Falls)**

## Activities

Morning	Overnight Canoe Safari - On the Islands of Zambezi
Morning	Mukuni Village Tour
Afternoon	David Livingstone Museum

### *Mukuni Village Tour*

Mukuni village is close to the border gate and is home to about 6?000 people from the Leya community, who have lived in the Falls area for many generations. Guides are available to take you through the village to get an insight into the traditional lifestyle of rural Africans.

### *David Livingstone Museum*

Aside from a comprehensive collection of David Livingstone memorabilia the museum has interesting displays on the Stone Age people who first lived in this area and an African cultural section. Guided tours are available.

## Basis

Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities

Tea, Coffee and Soft Drinks Included

## Day 3: Protea Hotel by Marriott Livingstone, Livingstone (Victoria Falls)

### Optional

Other Activities of choice

Chobe Day Trip

### *Chobe Day Trip*

The ultimate safari experience unfolds on a day trip to Chobe National Park in Botswana, which boasts the world's largest elephant population. The game cruise on the Chobe River brings you close to brilliant bird life, pods of wallowing hippos, primeval crocodiles and elephants in their sheer number. The afternoon land-based safari heads deeper into the Park to spot the elusive big cats that call Chobe their home.

## Basis

Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities

Tea, Coffee and Soft Drinks Included

## Day 4: Chobe Safari Lodge, Chobe River Front

### **Chobe River Front**

The Chobe River forms the northern boundary of the Chobe National Park, renowned for its diverse and abundant game viewing opportunities. This section of the park is best known for its dense concentration of wildlife including



elephant and hippo populations, but the waters attract all manner of game including large herds of buffalo and the lions that prey on them. A visit to this area guarantees close encounters with an array of African wildlife. Visitors can look forward to some exciting activities such as: driving along the game-dotted river banks in a 4WD; cruising along the river in a motorboat, spotting rare birdlife and for a unique, luxury safari experience, hire a houseboat.

### Overnight: Chobe Safari Lodge [View iBrochure](#)

Chobe Safari Lodge is situated in Kasane on the banks of the Chobe River and shares a border with Chobe National Park. Right on the doorstep is the meeting of four African countries: Botswana, Namibia, Zimbabwe and Zambia. Chobe Safari Lodge therefore offers an excellent getaway location to Chobe, Victoria Falls or Caprivi.

The close proximity to Victoria Falls International Airport, Livingstone International Airport and Kasane International Airport makes it easily accessible, with daily road transfers or charter flights connecting all these airports with Chobe Safari Lodge. The lodge has been recently renovated; matching a magical lodge experience to the spectacular game viewing.



### Activities

Afternoon	Chobe National Park Game Viewing
Afternoon	Chobe Boat Cruise

#### *Chobe National Park Game Viewing*

The Chobe National Park in Botswana is only a 1¼-hour drive from Victoria Falls. It is one of the greatest game reserves in southern Africa, famous for its elephant numbers. The Chobe River and Caprivi flood plains provide a haven for huge herds of buffalo, elephant, zebra, wildebeest and impala which are followed closely by lions, hyenas and leopards and the bird life is exceptional.

#### *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.

**Basis**

Bed and Breakfast

**Day 5: Chobe Safari Lodge, Chobe River Front****Activities**

Morning	Chobe National Park Game Viewing
Morning	Chobe Boat Cruise

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**Basis**

Bed and Breakfast

**Day 6: End of Itinerary****Basis**

Bed and Breakfast

## Transport

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### Transfers

Date	Company	Pick Up	Drop Off	Time	Vehicle
		Harry Mwanga Nkumbula International Airport [LVI]	Protea Hotel by Marriott Livingstone		Transfer
		Protea Hotel by Marriott Livingstone	Chobe Safari Lodge		Transfer
		Chobe Safari Lodge	Harry Mwanga Nkumbula International Airport [LVI]		Transfer

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### Service Provider Directory

Service Provider	Ref. Number	Telephone	Address
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## Travel Information



This unique, peanut-shaped country, once known as Northern Rhodesia, offers visitors an authentic African experience complete with adrenalin pumping adventure sports, a variety of fascinating cultural activities, and an abundance of indigenous wildlife, which finds refuge in Zambia's vast national parks. Spend your evenings enjoying the spectacular site of the world's largest waterfall, the Victoria Falls, while sipping on sundowners after an exhilarating day of whitewater rafting down the rapids of the mighty Zambezi River. If that sounds a little too adventurous for your taste, take a houseboat cruise along the exquisite Lake Kariba while watching wild elephants drink at the riverbank as you try your hand at catching the elusive tiger fish. However you choose to spend your time in this unique country, you are bound to leave with a heavy heart and a desire to return again soon to this exceptionally beautiful Southern African country.

### *Banking and Currency*

#### **Currency**

Zambia's unit of currency is the Kwacha (ZMW), formally ZMK which was rebased in 2013. The denominations are K100, K50, K20, K10, K5 and K2. It is subdivided into 100 *ngwee*. Coins available are K1, 50 ngwee, 10 ngwee and 5 ngwee.

However, some prices are quoted in US\$. It is therefore possible to use dollars and pounds as well.

#### **Banking**

In the cities and larger towns, you can change cash and travellers cheques at branches of Barclays Bank and Standard Chartered Bank. Larger branches have ATMs that accept Visa. Foreign exchange offices are easy to find in cities and larger towns.

Banks are generally open on weekdays from 08h15 to 15h30 and 08h15 to 12h00 on Saturdays. Banks are closed on Sundays and public holidays.

### *Travel, Transport and Getting Around*

Proflight flies from Lusaka to Mfuwe (South Luangwa), to Livingstone and the Copperbelt and also does charters. Various air charter companies will fly to any of the many airstrips around the country and most of the areas worth visiting are accessible by air.

#### **Public Transport**

There are many taxis available. Prices are negotiable. There is a good bus service to Chipata, Livingstone, the Copperbelt and Harare, but they don't always follow strict schedules. The main bus terminus is in Dedan Kimathi Road in Lusaka where one can inquire about timetables. Other private bus companies offer more reliable services to Livingstone, Harare and Johannesburg.

## Travel by Bus

Long range buses frequently leave from Lusaka to all the main towns. The intercity bus terminal can be found one road up from Cairo Road at the station.

Minibuses and taxis, local transport – all painted blue – can be jumped on at pretty much any juncture. They're not expensive and you can always find a minibus that won't cost too much to buy all the seats in it to get your own private minibus to wherever you want to go but you'll have to negotiate.

## Travel by Road

Zambia has 38,763 kilometres of roads, about 10,000 kms of which are tarred and another 8000 kms are gravel road. The rest range from reasonable to bad dirt roads.

If you're doing a vehicle trip through Zambia it is a good idea to carry a range of tools and essential spares with you.

Be really careful, especially if travelling at night for road markings are usually non-existent. Do watch out for animals in the road, vehicles without lights, pedestrians, unannounced roadworks, bad drivers and broken down trucks with no warning triangles. If you see a tree branch in the road, slow down immediately – these are improvised warning triangles and there's bound to be a truck or car in the middle of the road up ahead.

Be sure to have all your vehicle papers on hand as you're bound to encounter a few roadblocks.

## *Food, Drink and Cuisine Advice*

Zambia's native cuisine is based on nshima, a cooked porridge made from ground maize normally accompanied by some tasty relish, perhaps made of meat and tomatoes, or dried fish. Safari camps will often prepare nshima if requested, and it is almost always available in small, local restaurants.

Camps, hotels and lodges that cater to overseas visitors tend to serve a range of international fare, and the quality of food prepared in the most remote bush camps is typically excellent.

Water in the main towns is usually purified, provided there are no shortages of chlorine, breakdowns, or other mishaps. The locals drink it, and are used to the relatively innocuous bugs that it may harbour. If you are in the country for a long time, then it may be worth acclimatising yourself to it. However, if you are in Zambia for just a few weeks, then try to drink only bottled, boiled, or treated water in town.

Out in the bush, most of the camps and lodges use water from bore-holes. These underground sources vary in quality, but are normally perfectly safe to drink.

## *Climate and Weather*

The rains in Zambia come mostly in December, January, February and March though the further north you are, the earlier the rains arrive and the later they leave. Eastern areas and higher areas generally receive more rain than western and lowland areas.

By April and May most of the rain has faded away, leaving a landscape that's still green, but starting to dry out. Nighttime temperatures start to drop, especially in higher and more southerly locations.

In June, July and August the nights become much cooler, but the days are clear and warm. Make sure you bring warm clothes to wrap up if you're out at night, as some nights get very cold! Most of Zambia's small 'walking bush camps' open at the start of June, when the roads have dried out sufficiently to allow access. This is the start of the 'peak season' for these countries – with often cloudless days and continually increasing game sightings.

Into September and October the temperatures climb: the lower-lying rift valleys – Lower Zambezi, Mana Pools and Luangwa Valley – can get very hot in October. However, you'll see some superb game as the animals concentrate around the limited water sources.

November is variable; it can be hot and dry like October, or it can see the season's first downpours. Often it's a very interesting month as you can see both patterns on successive days.

### *Clothing and Dress Recommendations*

Zambia has mild winters and the summer days can be scorching hot. Lightweight casual clothes can be worn all year round, with a jacket or jersey for early winter mornings and evenings.

On safari keep clothes to neutral colours - khakis, browns and greens. A sunhat, sunscreen, sunglasses and insect repellent are a must.

### *Electricity and Plug Standards*

Current is 220/240 volt at 50 cycles per second. Both square and round wall plugs are used.



Situated in the southern reaches of Africa, Botswana is renowned for its pristine wilderness areas characterised by deep lagoons, wetlands, lush palms, rugged hills and desert plains scattered with scrubland. The country's primary tourist drawcard is undoubtedly the vast red expanse of the Kalahari Desert and its remarkably beautiful Okavango Delta, the largest inland delta in the world. These natural wonders provide a tranquil haven for an abundance of African wildlife to thrive. Other highlights include the impressive Makgadikgadi Salt Pans, where visitors are privy to massive zebra migrations during the flood season; the Savuti plains, which host large prides of lions; and the Tsodilo Hills, where 4500 rock paintings form a unique record of human settlement over many millennia.

### *Banking and Currency*

#### **Currency**

Botswana's currency is Pula (which means 'rain' in Setswana). It is divided into 100 thebe (which means 'shield' in Setswana). Travellers' cheques and foreign currency may be changed at banks, bureaux de change and authorised hotels.

The US dollar, Euros, British Pound and the South African Rand are the most easily convertible currencies (and accepted by some establishments - but, generally, then an inflated rate of exchange will be applied).

### **Banking**

Seven main commercial banks, as well as a number of foreign exchange bureaux, operate in Botswana. Operating hours are Monday to Friday 08h30 to 15h30 and Saturday 08h30 to 10h45.

Full banking services are available in major towns, although ATMs are sprouting up all over the country. Most credit cards are accepted at hotels and restaurants. Cultural sites and community art and craft outlets usually only accept cash.

### *Travel, Transport and Getting Around*

Public transport in Botswana is geared towards the needs of the local populace and is confined to main roads between major population centres. Although cheap and reliable, it is of little use to the traveller as most of Botswana's tourist attractions lie off the beaten track.

Driving off the main roads in Botswana is only recommended to experts in 4x4 vehicles, that are equipped correctly. Most lodges offer transfers or they can be arranged. If, however, you will be driving in Botswana: your home driving licence will be accepted (with an official English translation if necessary; driving is on the left side of the road; and the national speed limit is on tarred roads is 120km/h and 60km/h in towns and villages.

### **Be sure to watch out for wild animals on the roads!**

There are major airports in Maun, Kasane and Gaborone, while smaller charter flights are used to get to the other top attractions and camps.

### *Food, Drink and Cuisine Advice*

Tap water is considered safe to drink, although outside main cities and towns, visitors are advised to check first and sterilise water if in any doubt. Bottled water is available in most tourist centres. Filtered water is available at most camps and shops offer bottled water - it is advised to be well stocked of bottled water if you are travelling off the beaten track. Milk is pasteurised, and dairy products, local meat, poultry, seafood, fruit and vegetables are generally safe.

Safari lodges and camps serve international-style cuisine, generally of an extremely high standard, along with local beer and imported wine and spirits. Good restaurants and bars can be found in main towns, often within hotels. Beef and goat are very popular meats. Elsewhere, food is more basic: millet and sorghum porridge are the local staples.

A discretionary 5 to 10% tip is typical for restaurant bills. In many places, a service charge is automatically added. It is customary to tip the game guide and lodge staff while on safari.

### *Climate and Weather*

Botswana's climatic pattern is typical of southern Africa, although its rainfall is less than countries further east. The rains in Botswana come mostly between December and March, when average minimum temperatures are in the low 20°s. Some days will be bright and sunny, some will have afternoon thunderstorms, and some will just be grey.

As with Namibia, April and May in Botswana are generally lovely, with the sky clear and the landscape green. Night

temperatures start to drop during these months, especially in the Kalahari. Note that places in and around the Okavango tend to have less extreme, more moderate temperatures than the drier areas of the Kalahari.

From June to August the night-time temperatures in drier areas can be close to freezing, but it warms up rapidly during the day, when the sky is usually clear and blue. It's now very much 'peak season' for most safari areas: the land is dry in most areas so the animals congregate around the few available water sources.

This continues into September and October, when temperatures climb again, drying the landscapes and concentrating the game even more. This is the best time for big game safaris – although October can feel very hot, with maximum temperatures sometimes approaching 40°C.

November is difficult to predict, as it can sometimes be a continuation of October's heat, whilst sometimes it's cooled by the first rains; it's always an interesting month.

### *Clothing and Dress Recommendations*

In summer, lightweight, lightcoloured cottons are preferable. Avoid synthetic materials and black clothing, as they increase perspiration and discomfort. In winter, wear trousers, long-sleeved shirts / blouses and jerseys. From May – August, night temperatures can fall below zero degrees Celsius, so warm jerseys and jackets are vital, especially on morning and evening game drives. Garments of neutral colours that blend with the bush and forest are advisable for safaris and game viewing. Bring a lightweight jacket and/or jersey for unexpected temperature changes or rain. Closed, comfortable walking shoes or gym shoes are a must in all seasons. Special attention should be given to protection from the sun. Bring a sunhat, good quality sunscreen, sun lotion and polarised sunglasses. Wide brimmed sun hats are essential.

### *Electricity and Plug Standards*

Electrical sockets (outlets) in Botswana are the "Type M " South African SABS1661 ("Large" 15 amp BS-546) sockets. This is actually an old British standard. The "Type M " South African plug and socket is not to be confused with the "Type D " Indian plug and socket. In pictures, they look very similar, but the South African type is much larger than the Indian type, and they are physically incompatible. If your appliance's plug doesn't match the shape of these sockets, you will need a travel plug adapter in order to plug in. Travel plug adapters simply change the shape of your appliance's plug to match whatever type of socket you need to plug into.

Electrical sockets (outlets) in Botswana usually supply electricity at between 220 and 240 volts AC. If you're plugging in an appliance that was built for 220-240 volt electrical input, or an appliance that is compatible with multiple voltages, then an adapter is all you need.

But travel plug adapters *do not change the voltage*, so the electricity coming through the adapter will still be the same 220-240 volts the socket is supplying. If you need to use appliances that are not compatible with 220-240 volt electrical input, you will need a voltage converter.

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