

FULL ITINERARY

ZAMBEZI WORLD HERITAGE SAFARI - ZIMBABWE
VICTORIA FALLS - MANA POOLS - HARARE
9 nights / 10 days

START POINT: Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, SA END POINT: Johannesburg, SA

A unique exploratory safari takes us through two UNESCO World Heritage Sites on the legendary Zambezi River, boundary of Zimbabwe and Zambia. The first site is Victoria Falls, a 100m high breathtaking cascading waterfall that defies belief. The second site includes Mana Pools National Park on the lower Zambezi; a sublime game viewing paradise. We journey deeper here with time in a fly-camp at the ultra-remote Chitake spring, a bonanza-magnet for game in the dry season.

DAYS 1 -3:

Using the exclusive facilities of Victoria Falls River Lodge as a base, we have three days to explore the incredible hotspot of the region. The waterfall is the obvious highlight and half-day excursions along the mile-wide chasm come standard. Other activities may include white water rafting, river boating, scenic flights, adventure sports or cultural tours.

DAY 4:

Depart by air charter to Mana Pools on the lower region of the Zambezi. A road transfer brings us to Camp Mana, a classic tented safari base, perched in the edge of a forest overlooking the Zambezi floodplain. Accommodation is in en-suite Meru tents, ala Hemingway of old ... an understated safari-luxurious, small and intimate camp, ideal for our tailored encounters.

DAYS 5-7:

We drive to the remote Chitake Spring in a remote enclave of the reserve. In the dry season the spring is the only water source for many miles around and often produces incredible, thrilling close up encounters with big game. Its normal to encounter elephant, lion, buffalo, wild dog and a host of other species as they come down to drink. These days are an exclusive and unique wildlife experience. The fly-camp is fully serviced and facilities are simple dome tents and open air bucket showers and chemical loos.

DAYS 8-9

Return to Camp Mana to enjoy the semi-permanent facilities and magnificent surrounds. Two full days of game viewing, either by vehicle or on foot. Canoeing on the Zambezi is optional. Game encounters are incredible and a special highlight would be tracking wild dog on foot. Elephant, lion, buffalo, giraffe and a host of antelope normally referent the waterholes and floodplains.

DAY 10:

Air charter back to Harare to connect with international flight to Johannesburg where the safari ends.

OPTIONAL MODULES THAT COULD BE INCLUDED:

1. A Botswana safari through the Okavango, Linyanti or Chobe ending at Victoria Falls to co-incide with departure.
2. Similarly, a safari in Zambia to the magnificent Luangwa Valley
3. An extended stay at Mana to visit Matusadona or do a multi-day canoeing excursion.
4. An overland trip through Zimbabwe to Hwange National Park and into Botswana and Kasane (Chobe National Park)
5. A South African package of your choice could be included before or after the safari.

WHAT MAKES THIS SAFARI UNIQUE?

1. A combination of secluded and intimate safari camps and unique destinations.
2. The mighty Zambezi, 4th largest river in Africa
3. Two World heritage Sites (Victoria Falls and Mana Pools)
4. Exploring Victoria Falls in the flood season makes it the widest cascading waterfall on earth.
5. "Flight of the Angels" scenic flights over the Falls.
6. Boat/fishing trips exploring islands and backwaters of the Zambezi above the Falls.
7. White water rafting on the Zambezi - the most breathtaking rapids in the world.
8. The exquisite and seldom visited Mana Pools National Park with superb game viewing.