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SAMPLE ITINERARY

Ultimate Bucket List: Southern Africa

Johannesburg · NamibRand · Sabi Sand · Victoria Falls · Okavango Delta · Cape Town · Franschhoek

19 NIGHTS · LUXURY TO SUPER-LUXURY

Four countries, nineteen nights and most of the list: the Namib Desert, leopards in the Sabi Sand, Victoria Falls, the Okavango Delta, Table Mountain and two closing nights on a working farm in the winelands.



20 Days / 19 Nights

Ultimate Bucket list - Southern Africa 4 countries , 18 nights : Luxury

Trip summary

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DAYS	ACCOMMODATION	AREA	BASIS
Day 1 – 2	InterContinental Johannesburg O.R. Tambo (1 night)	Johannesburg	B&B
Day 2 – 6	andBeyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge (4 nights)	NamibRand Nature Reserve	FB+
Day 6 – 9	Kirkman's Kamp (3 nights)	Sabi Sand Nature Reserve	FB+
Day 9 – 12	The Royal Livingstone by Anantara (3 nights)	Victoria Falls, Zambia	B&B
Day 12 – 15	andBeyond Nxabega Okavango Tented Camp (3 nights)	Okavango Delta	FB+
Day 15 – 18	Twelve Apostles Hotel & Spa (3 nights)	Cape Town	B&B
Day 18 – 20	Babylonstoren Farm Hotel (2 nights)	Franschhoek	B&B

What's included

- 19 nights accommodation as listed
- Bed & breakfast in Johannesburg, Victoria Falls, Cape Town and Franschhoek
- Game drives, guided walks and mokoro excursions
- Full board plus on safari — meals, activities and local drinks
- All regional flights, charters and road transfers
- Desert nature drives and stargazing at the observatory

Day by day

DAY 1 – 2

Johannesburg

1 night · InterContinental O.R. Tambo

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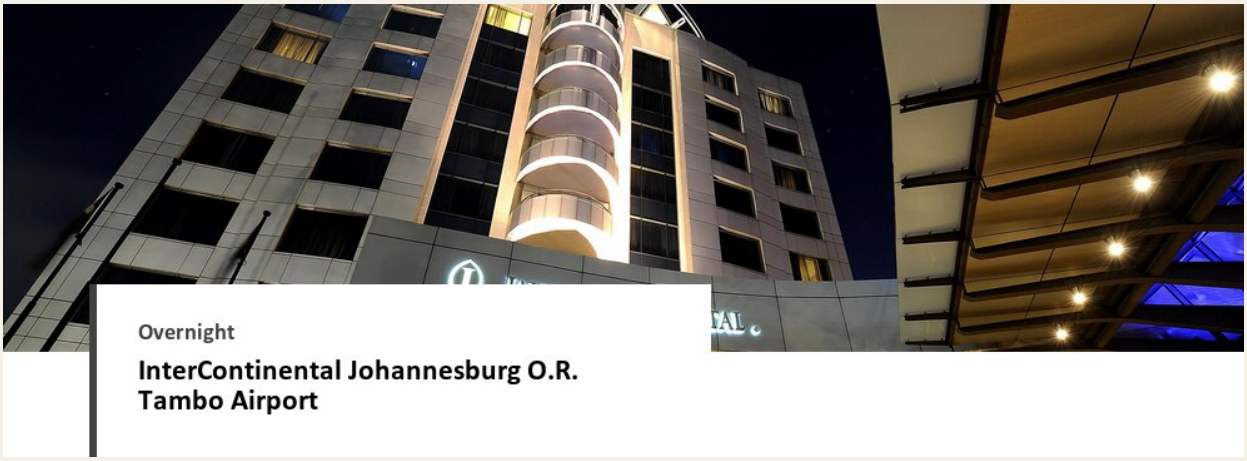


Day 1 - 2

Johannesburg

A fast-paced, creative city shaped by gold-rush history and constant reinvention, where contemporary galleries and rooftop bars sit alongside powerful reminders of the country's past. A single night here is purely to break the long-haul flight before heading into the desert.

InterContinental Johannesburg O.R. Tambo Airport



Overnight

InterContinental Johannesburg O.R. Tambo Airport

A short walk from the arrivals hall — South Africa's only luxury airport hotel. Classic rooms of 32m² with sound-proofed windows, an espresso machine and uncapped Wi-Fi, plus the Camelot Spa, an indoor heated pool and African dining at Quills Restaurant.

B&B: BED AND BREAKFAST · CLASSIC / DELUXE ROOM

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DAY 2 – 6

NamibRand Nature Reserve

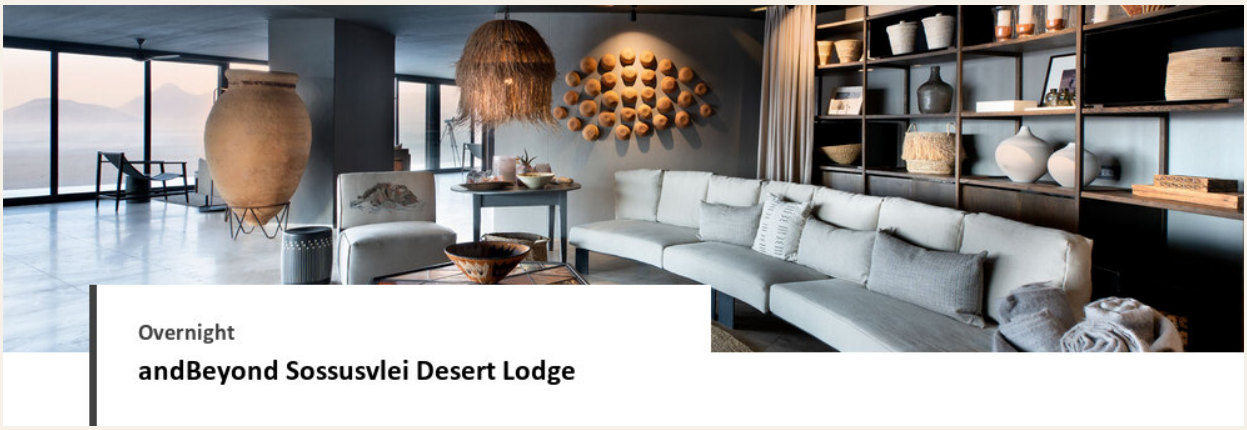
4 nights · andBeyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge



More than 172,000 hectares of dunes, mountains, rocky outcrops and gravel plains — one of the largest private reserves in southern Africa, home to hyena, jackal, fox, antelope and wild cats. Look for the mysterious fairy circles, and stay up for the stargazing: as Africa's first International Dark Sky Reserve, it is one of the least light-polluted places on earth.

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andBeyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge



Ten stone and glass suites spread along the curve of the escarpment for absolute privacy. Each has a private veranda, a bedroom with a retractable star-viewing skylight, a living room with fireplace, a glass-encased rain shower with 180° views and a private plunge pool. Each suite is effectively its own solar plant, powering its comforts and its water recycling. There is a sophisticated observatory and telescope for the night sky.

FB+: FULL BOARD PLUS — ALL MEALS, ACTIVITIES AND LOCAL BRANDS

PLANNED WHILE HERE

Guided excursion to Sossusvlei and Deadvlei · desert nature drives · quad biking and dune walks · guided stargazing at the observatory.

DAY 6 – 9

Sabi Sand Nature Reserve

3 nights · Kirkman's Kamp

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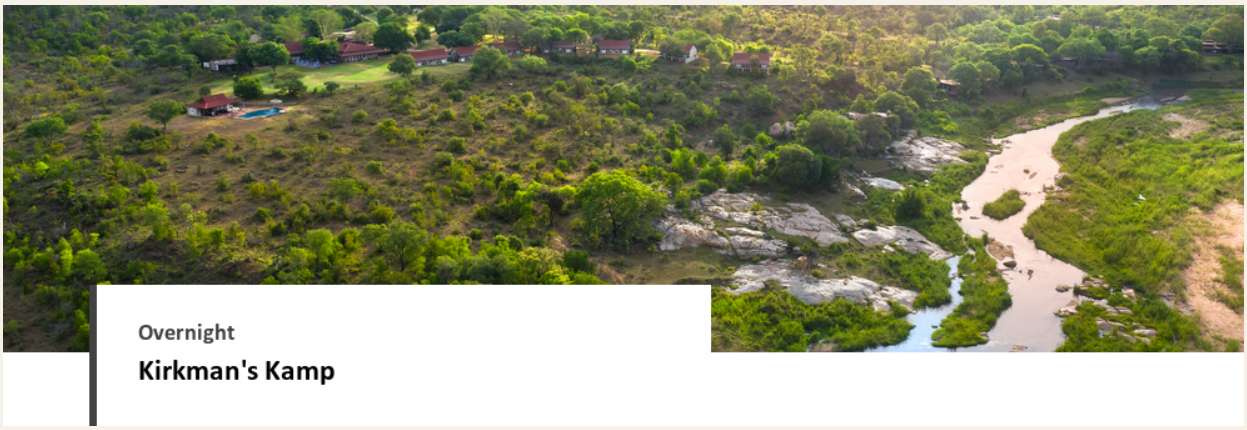
Day 6 - 9

Sabi Sand Nature Reserve

Sharing an unfenced border with the Kruger National Park, Sabi Sand was the first private game reserve established in South Africa — 65,000 hectares of savannah, Lowveld woodland and the perennial Sabie and Sand rivers. It offers some of the best Big Five viewing in Africa, and is particularly famous for its leopards.

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Kirkman's Kamp



The classical ambience of an original 1920s homestead: twelve guest cottages with antique-styled beds, modern comforts and private verandas overlooking the Sand River. A library, a classical sitting room for pre-dinner drinks, a rim-flow pool above the river, and dinner in the boma, on the lawn or in a candlelit bush setting.

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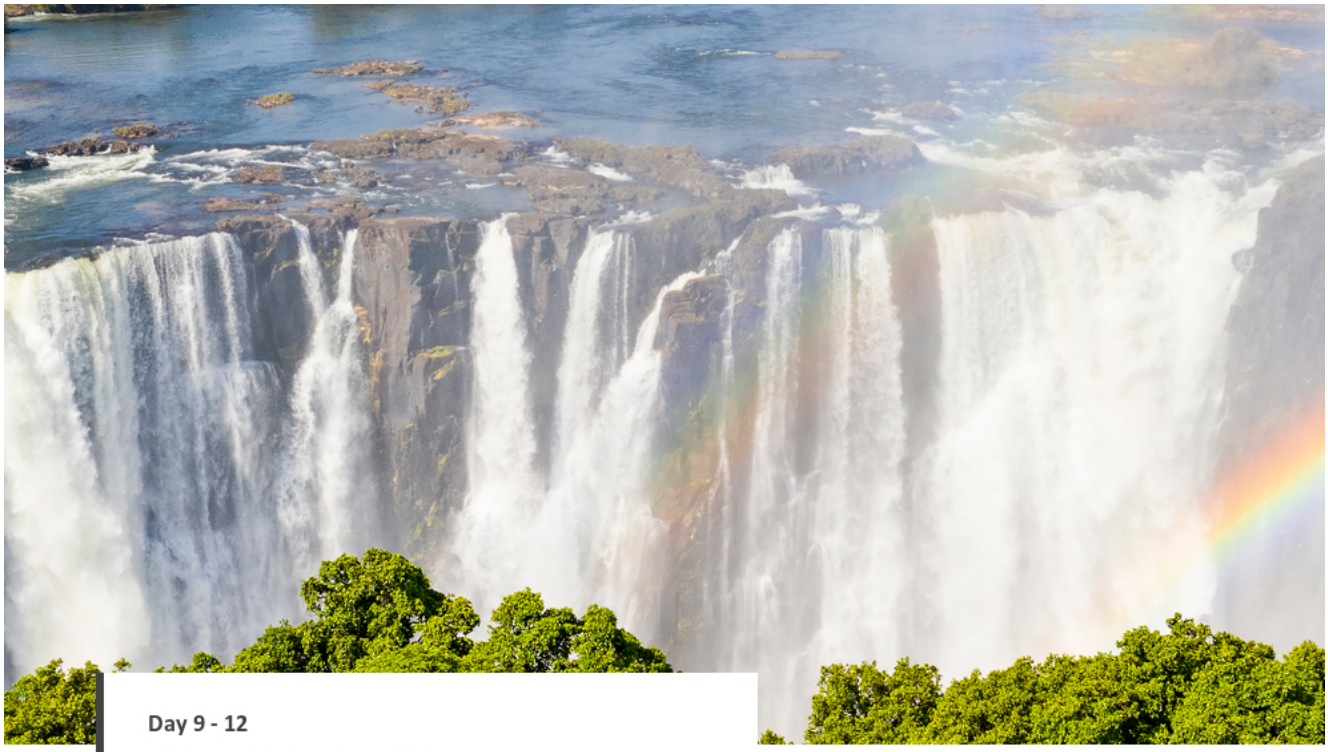
Twice-daily game drives · interpretive bush walks · private, family, birding or photographic safaris · croquet and tennis on the lawn.

DAY 9 – 12

Victoria Falls, Zambia

3 nights · The Royal Livingstone by Anantara

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Day 9 - 12

Victoria Falls (Zambia)

The Falls seen from the Zambian side, within Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park, where walkways trace the cliff edge above the gorge. Knife Edge Bridge pushes you into the spray for a close view of the Main Falls and the Eastern Cataract; the Boiling Pot looks down into the whirlpool where the river is forced into the Batoka Gorge. Upstream, boats reach Livingstone Island and — at low water — Devil's Pool.

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The Royal Livingstone Victoria Falls Zambia Hotel by Anantara



Victorian elegance on the banks of the Zambezi, in full view of the spray of the Falls, which are a ten-minute walk away through the hotel's private entrance. Deluxe Zambezi River Balcony rooms look onto the river through floor-to-ceiling glass doors, with a separate tub and rain shower, daily turndown and butler service.

B&B: BED AND BREAKFAST · DELUXE ZAMBEZI RIVER BALCONY ROOM

PLANNED WHILE HERE

Guided tour of the Falls · sunset cruise on the Zambezi · optional rafting, kayaking, ziplining, bungee and the bridge swing · Livingstone town and market.

DAY 12 – 15

Okavango Delta

3 nights · andBeyond Nxabega Okavango Tented Camp

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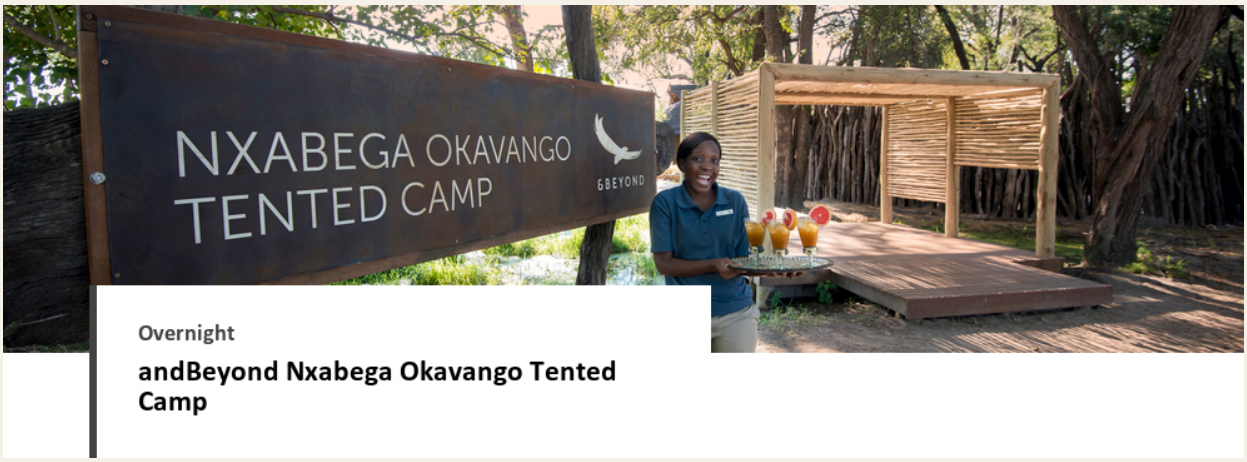
Day 12 - 15

Okavango Delta

The largest inland delta in the world and a World Heritage Site — the Okavango River spreading over the sands of the Kalahari into meandering channels, lily-studded lagoons, floodplains and reeded islands. Red lechwe and sitatunga are adapted to life in and out of water; lion, cheetah, leopard and wild dog share the floodplains with elephant and buffalo.

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andBeyond Nxabega Okavango Tented Camp



Nine tented suites on raised wooden platforms beneath a canopy of ebony trees, in a 25,000-hectare private concession bordering the Moremi Game Reserve. Each has an en-suite bathroom with indoor and al fresco showers and a private veranda with a sala over the floodplain. Burnished teak floors and a steeply pitched thatch roof frame the living and dining areas, with a pool and a wide viewing deck.

FB+: FULL BOARD PLUS — ALL MEALS, ACTIVITIES AND LOCAL BRANDS

PLANNED WHILE HERE

Mokoro excursions through the papyrus channels · game drives · walking safaris with al fresco picnic · private bush dinners and lamplit cocktails on a river island.

DAY 15 – 18

Cape Town

3 nights · Twelve Apostles Hotel & Spa

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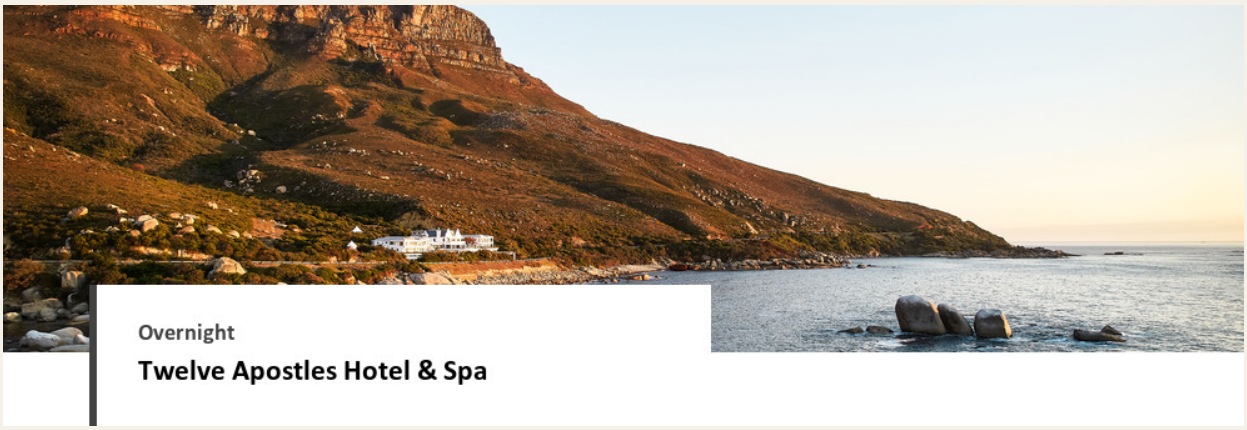
Day 15 - 18

Cape Town

Where the oceans meet beneath Table Mountain: white beaches, acclaimed wine routes and mountain trails around a cosmopolitan hub. Highlights include the Zeitz Museum of Contemporary African Art, the cableway up Table Mountain, the penguins at Boulders Beach, Kirstenbosch and Robben Island.

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Twelve Apostles Hotel and Spa



A five-star boutique hotel poised above the Atlantic on Cape Town's most scenic route, flanked by Table Mountain National Park and the Twelve Apostles range, with a complimentary shuttle to the city and the V&A Waterfront. Seventy individually designed rooms and suites, an infinity and heated rock pool, a spa, a private cinema, and legendary cocktails at the Leopard Bar.

B&B: BED AND BREAKFAST · LUXURY ROOM

PLANNED WHILE HERE

Table Mountain · the Cape peninsula and Boulders Beach · Constantia or Stellenbosch wine tasting · V&A Waterfront and the Zeitz MOCAA.

DAY 18 – 20

Franschhoek

2 nights · Babylonstoren Farm Hotel

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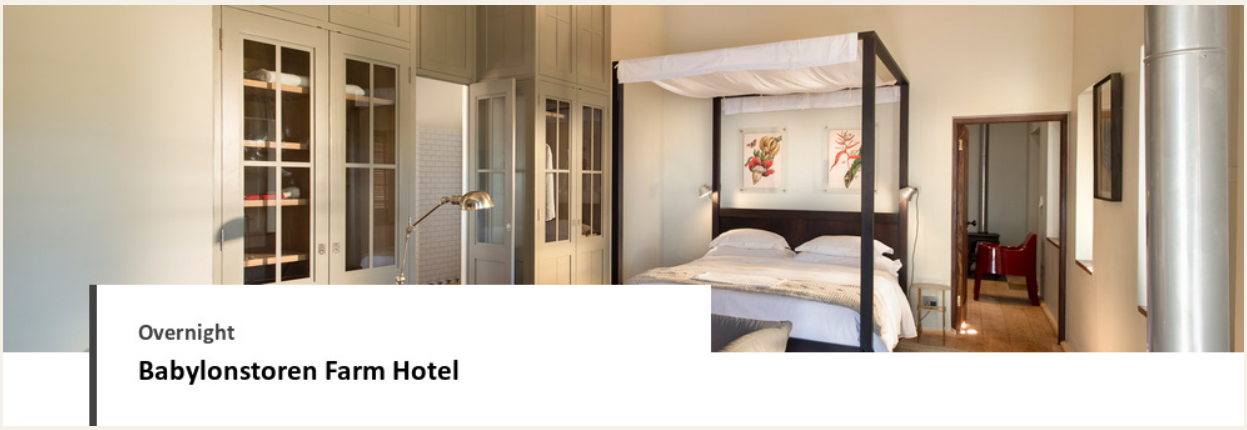
Day 18 - 20

Franschhoek

An elegant heritage village in a fertile valley about 75km east of Cape Town, and South Africa's food and wine capital. Acclaimed estates, the wine tram, tree-lined streets and Cape Dutch architecture — cellar tastings in winter, hiking and cycling through farmland in summer.

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Babylonstoren Farm Hotel



Neither farm nor hotel but something in between, on the slopes of the Simonsberg. The one-bedroom cottages pair thick walls, elegant gables and a fireplace with a contemporary glass cube housing the kitchen, four-poster beds, bookshelves, underfloor heating and a stocked bar fridge. There is a spa, farm-to-fork restaurants, a tasting room and eight acres of garden to walk.

B&B: BED AND BREAKFAST · ONE-BEDROOM COTTAGE

PLANNED WHILE HERE

Guided farm walks and the Babylonstoren koppie · cycling through the vineyards · baking with the bakers · a guided drive up Simonsberg to In the Clouds for sunset.

Getting around

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DAY	ROUTE	MODE
Day 1	O.R. Tambo International (JNB) → InterContinental Johannesburg	Road transfer
Day 2	O.R. Tambo (JNB) → Hosea Kutako International (WDH) → andBeyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge	Scheduled flights
Day 6	Sossusvlei → Hosea Kutako (WDH) → O.R. Tambo (JNB) → Skukuza Airport → Kirkman's Kamp	Scheduled flights & transfer
Day 9	Kirkman's Kamp → Skukuza Airport → Harry Mwaanga Nkumbula (LVI) → The Royal Livingstone	Flight & road transfer
Day 12	The Royal Livingstone → Harry Mwaanga Nkumbula (LVI) → Maun (MUB) → Nxabega	Flight & light aircraft
Day 15	Nxabega → Maun (MUB) → Cape Town International (CPT) → Twelve Apostles	Flight & road transfer
Day 18	Twelve Apostles → Babylonstoren Farm Hotel	Road transfer
Day 20	Babylonstoren → Cape Town International (CPT)	Road transfer

Your consultant

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Born in 1985. Wife to Jake and mother of three — a son and two daughters. I have a passion for travelling, especially in Africa; my best adventure ever was seeing the gorillas in Rwanda, and I love being on an open vehicle surrounded by the Big Five in the African bush. My favourite part of the job is the customer service and the marketing. I look forward to meeting you soon.

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Travel information

Suggested packing list:

- Long and short sleeved shirts and T-shirts — comfortable cotton clothing in neutral tones works well in the bush
- Long trousers for early mornings, evenings and cooler days
- Comfortable walking shoes or sneakers with thick socks

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- A pair of comfortable sandals for around the lodge or hotel pool between game drives
- Jackets: windbreaker, fleece or sweaters for early morning and late afternoon game drives
- Swimsuit, shorts, sun hats (cap and wide brim) and sunglasses
- Sunscreen and insect repellent
- Binoculars and a bird book if this interests you — though the lodge will often provide a local bird list to tick off
- Phone chargers and international plug adaptors
- Workout gear and sneakers

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Terms and conditions

An African Array C.C. trading as The Safari Index Africa ("Safari Index Africa"). By making a deposit and/or full payment towards this or any subsequent itineraries, the Client hereby agrees to the following terms and conditions.

Payment

- In order to confirm a client's reservation, Safari Index Africa requires a minimum 30% deposit payment at the time of booking. Failure to do so will result in the reservation automatically being cancelled.
- The balance of payment is due 8 weeks (60 days) prior to the commencement date of the client's itinerary. Bookings made within 8 weeks (60 days) prior to departure are subject to full prepayment at the time of confirming the reservation.
- Safari Index Africa accepts credit cards and electronic fund transfers as methods of payment.
- Credit card payments incur an additional fee of 3.8%.
- Cash and traveller's cheques are not accepted.
- All rates provided are based upon external supplier costs such as air fares, airport taxes, fuel surcharges, transfers, accommodation, activities, car hire, park fees and gate fees which are outside of the control of Safari Index Africa. These supplier costs are therefore subject to change until final payment has been received or, in the instance of air travel, until air tickets have been issued.
- The client agrees that should any such costs increase, such an increase will be for their account and shall be payable to Safari Index Africa or as otherwise instructed by Safari Index Africa.
- Should the client have been quoted in foreign currency and wish to settle payment by credit card, the quotation will be converted to South African Rand prior to the transaction being processed, due to foreign exchange regulations of the South African Reserve Bank. The rate of exchange on the day the transaction is processed will determine the equivalent Rand amount, with any resulting foreign exchange differences or bank charges being for the client's account.

Travel documents

The client must ensure that they meet the necessary travel documentation, permit and/or visa regulations of the countries they intend entering, transiting or visiting. Safari Index Africa can provide guidelines in this regard; however, the client remains responsible for ensuring that they meet any regulations.

- The client's passport must have sufficient blank visa pages available in accordance with the regulations of various African countries. A minimum of 6 adjacent blank pages per country to be entered, transited or visited is recommended.
- The client's passport must be valid for the prescribed period contained in the applicable regulations of the countries being entered, transited and/or visited. A minimum expiry date of 12 months after the travel date is recommended.

- If travelling alone with minor children, the client will need to provide a letter of consent from the absent parent(s) that the children are allowed to travel with them. If travelling to South Africa, parents are to carry each child's birth certificate and their marriage certificate.

Inoculation, immunisation and medication

- The client must ensure that they meet the immunisation, inoculation and medication regulations of the countries they are to visit. Safari Index Africa provides guidelines when requested; however, the client remains ultimately responsible for meeting the requirements of each country visited.
- Safari Index Africa recommends visiting an appropriate medical practitioner prior to travel.
- It is the client's obligation to ensure that they are medically fit to travel.

Flights

- In the event of flights being booked and secured by Safari Index Africa on behalf of the client, payment is usually required by credit card, because of the time delay in securing funds when paying by bank transfer.
- A 3.8% fee will be charged for all card transactions.
- Changes in the cost of flights between the time of quote and payment being received by Safari Index Africa will be for the client's account.
- Copies of passports are required when booking flights. Correct information must be provided by the client, and Safari Index Africa accepts no responsibility for incorrect information provided by clients.

Baggage rules

- The client must ensure that the baggage regulations of the airlines and charter companies they are using will be met. Safari Index Africa can provide guidelines in this regard; however, the client remains responsible for ensuring they meet these regulations.
- In particular, light aircraft flights have extraordinary baggage regulations which include but are not limited to weight, structure and shape.
- If the client does not adhere to the relevant baggage regulations, the transfer of baggage may be delayed and/or transferred at extra cost.

Cancellation policy and refunding of payment

- Cancellation prior to 60 days of travel — the full 30% deposit is forfeited, and 100% of total flight costs.
- Cancellation less than 60 days before travel — 100% of the total cost is forfeited.

Travel insurance

Safari Index Africa requires clients to purchase their own travel insurance at the time of booking. If they do not do so, they agree that they will be responsible for any costs arising from any emergency, cancellation or rescheduling during their trip, and they agree not to hold Safari Index Africa responsible for any harm or

loss suffered.

Third parties

- Airlines reserve the right to levy additional or increased airport taxes and fuel charges, without notice, at any stage prior to flight; any such increase will be for the client's account.
- Road transportation companies such as transfer and car rental companies reserve the right to levy additional charges due to fuel price increases and/or government road levies, without notice; any such increase will be for the client's account.
- Government and national bodies, concession owners and other parties involved in the running of private or public parks reserve the right to levy additional or increased park fees, without notice; any such increase will be for the client's account.

Changes to bookings

Safari Index Africa will make every effort to adhere to the confirmed itinerary. In the event of changes to aspects such as accommodation and transportation, Safari Index Africa will:

- Provide alternatives at no extra cost, subject to the supplier's terms and conditions.
- Should the alternatives not be found suitable, refund the client the money arising from the changes, subject to the supplier's terms and conditions.
- In the event of refunding the client, assist the client in identifying alternative services, subject to all additional costs for the alternative services being for their account.
- Should the client require any changes to be made to their booking, Safari Index Africa will do its best to assist and accommodate such changes. The client will be liable for any costs or fees charged for such changes.

Waiver, indemnity and liability

- All vouchers, receipts and tickets issued by Safari Index Africa to the client are subject to the various suppliers' terms and conditions.
- Participation in any tour or travel package arranged by Safari Index Africa and provided by any of its suppliers, including but not limited to transportation to or from any venue, is undertaken at the client's own risk.
- The client indemnifies Safari Index Africa and its directors, employees, assignees and/or agents against any claim arising for any damages or loss which might be instituted against it arising from or in connection with the services contemplated in these terms and conditions.
- The client, his/her heirs, dependants, agents, executors or their assignees hereby irrevocably waive any claims which they may have against Safari Index Africa for any form of compensation for damages which they may suffer due to injury or loss of any nature whatsoever, including accidents caused by the client's own actions, injuries or death while on the tour, in a transportation vehicle or at any place during the tour, or illness or death at any time after the tour.

- Safari Index Africa acts solely in the capacity of an agent for third parties and holds itself free of responsibility or liability for any delays, loss or damages from any cause whatsoever, including loss, delay, damages or dissatisfaction caused by third party products and services.

Applicable law

The Safari Index Africa site is created, maintained and controlled in the Republic of South Africa and, as such, the laws of the Republic of South Africa and the jurisdiction of the South African courts govern this user agreement and the use or inability to use the site.

This is a starting point, not a package.

Tell us what you'd change — longer here, softer there, different lodges, different months — and we'll rebuild it around you. We plan every trip ourselves, and we'd love to plan this one.

See you in the bush,

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