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Confirmed Itinerary

Traveller:	Margaret & Colin
Tour name:	Vic Falls, Botswana and Tanzania Safari
Travel dates:	19 December 2013 – 09 January 2014
Number of travellers:	2 in Vic Falls / Botswana, Max 7 in Tanzania

Itinerary Outline

[Click on the blue links in the table below for more information online](#)

Day	Date	Accommodation	Meals	Location
1	19 December 2013	Peermont Mondior	BB	Johannesburg
2	20 December 2013	Victoria Falls Hotel	BB	Victoria Falls
3	21 December 2013	Victoria Falls Hotel	BB	Victoria Falls
4	22 December 2013	Pom Pom Camp	FI	Okavango Delta
5	23 December 2013	Pom Pom Camp	FI	Okavango Delta
6	24 December 2013	Kwando Lebala Camp	FI	Linyanti
7	25 December 2013	Kwando Lebala Camp	FI	Linyanti
8	26 December 2013	Kwando Lebala Camp	FI	Linyanti
9	27 December 2013	Peermont Mondior	BB	Johannesburg
10	28 December 2013	Arusha Coffee Lodge	BB	Arusha
11	29 December 2013	Lake Manyara Serena Lodge	FB	Lake Manyara
12	30 December 2013	Serengeti Sopa Lodge	FB	Serengeti National Park
13	31 December 2013	Serengeti Sopa Lodge	FB	Serengeti National Park
14	01 January 2014	Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge	FB	Ngorongoro Crater
15	02 January 2014	Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge	FB	Ngorongoro Crater
16	03 January 2014	Tarangire Sopa Lodge	FB	Tarangire National Park
17	04 January 2014	Zanzibar Serena Inn	BB	Stone Town
18	05 January 2014	The Z Hotel	BB	Zanzibar Coast
19	06 January 2014	The Z Hotel	BB	Zanzibar Coast
20	07 January 2014	The Z Hotel	BB	Zanzibar Coast
21	08 January 2014	The Z Hotel	BB	Zanzibar Coast
22	09 January 2014	Day of departure	BB	

BB = Bed and Breakfast

HB = Breakfast and dinner

FB = Breakfast, lunch and dinner

FI = Breakfast, lunch, dinner and drinks

Cost includes:

- Meet and greet services and airport transfers
- Guided tour of the Falls, Boma Dinner, sunset cruise at Victoria Falls
- Day & night game drives, mokoro & boat outings, fishing & walking safaris at Pom Pom Camp
- Day and night game drives at Lebala Camp
- Seat in shared 4x4 vehicle with photo roof in Tanzania (maximum 7 clients per vehicle)
- Guaranteed window seat
- Services of an English speaking driver-guide
- Game drives and crater tour
- Flights: Brisbane – Sydney – Johannesburg – Victoria Falls; Kasane – Pom Pom Camp – Lebala Camp - Maun – Johannesburg – Dar Es Salaam - Kilimanjaro; Arusha – Zanzibar – Dar Es Salaam; Dar Es Salaam – Johannesburg – Perth – Brisbane
- All accommodation and meals as specified
- All park fees and government taxes



Cost Excludes:

- Visas
- Driver guide or local escort gratuities
- Drinks and dining rooms tips
- Telephone bill, laundry and any items of a personal nature
- Medical, evacuation or travel insurance

Detailed Itinerary

Day 01: 19 Dec 2013 Arrival into Johannesburg

This morning you will make your own way to Brisbane Airport in time for flight **QF507** departing at **06h45** and landing in Sydney at **09h20**.

In Sydney you will connect onto flight **SA7701** departing at **10h35** and landing in Johannesburg at **15h35**.

On arrival in Johannesburg you will be met after passing through immigrations and transferred to the **Peermont Mondior Hotel** where you will spend **1 night** on a **bed and breakfast basis**.



Peermont Mondior Hotel

Peermont Mondior is conveniently located close to O.R. Tambo International Airport; a regular courtesy shuttle service operates to and from the airport. The hotel features 150 spacious rooms and suites furnished in contemporary African elegance and fitted with cutting-edge technology. Smoking and non-smoking rooms are available. Enjoy breakfast and light meals at the chic Oriana restaurant or a sociable cocktail at The Silver Moon bar. You also have access to the casino, dining, entertainment, convention and relaxation facilities of the Emperors Palace resort.



Johannesburg

Although usually only used for quick stopovers by most travellers, Joburg is an exciting and vibrant city, with some excellent hotels, fantastic shopping facilities, loads of historic significance, and a flourishing sporting culture. With the launch of the Gautrain in 2010, the Sandton district is now only 10 minutes from the airport, and this puts one in position to easily access most of the cities highlights, including Soweto and the Apartheid Museum, cultural sites, and sporting facilities.

Day 02: 20 Dec 2013 Johannesburg – Victoria Falls B/D

This morning you will catch the free shuttle bus no later than **08h04** back to the airport in time for your flight **SA40** to Victoria Falls, departing at **10h35** and landing at **12h30**.

On arrival at Victoria Falls Airport you will be met after passing through immigrations and transferred to the **Victoria Falls Hotel** where you will spend the next **2 nights** on a **bed and breakfast basis**.

This afternoon you will be collected at **14h30** and taken on a guided tour of the Falls before heading out at **18h50** to the Boma Restaurant for an entertaining African dinner, complete with drums and dancing.



Victoria Falls Hotel

The Edwardian-style 5 star hotel, built in 1904, redecorated and refurbished, now combines the charm of the old with the convenience of the new. The ambiance of the hotel is steeped in history with all suites decorated in the gracious Edwardian style of Zimbabwe's colonial era. It has 161 rooms comprising 37 standard rooms, 58 traditional rooms, 48 deluxe rooms, 7 junior suites, 4 honeymoon suites, 6 executive suites and the Royal Suite. The latter, as the name suggests, has seen reigning monarchs, presidents and, more recently, many famous Hollywood stars among its privileged occupants.

Day 03: 21 Dec 2013

Victoria Falls

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You will have the full day today to take part in some of the many activities available around the Falls. In the afternoon at **16h00** you will be taken on a sunset cruise on the mighty Zambezi River.

Victoria Falls

"Mosi Oa Tunya", or "The Smoke That Thunders", Victoria Falls are as magnificent on the 10th visit as they are on the 1st, and their thundering roar makes everything else seem strangely quiet once you leave them behind. As the mighty Zambezi flows over a chasm of 1 mile wide, and 110 metres high, to violently crash on the rocks below, the resultant spray is sent tens of metres up into the air, before it lands back down in a continuous rainfall. The Zambezi then rushes through an opening of only 50 metres and races further along, over churning rapids and through the deep Batoka Gorge.



Day 04: 22 Dec 2013

Victoria Falls – Okavango Delta

B/L/D

This morning you will be collected from your hotel (**time to be confirmed 24 hrs before the flight**) and transferred across the border into Botswana. You will be taken to Kasane Airport from where you will catch a light aircraft into the Okavango Delta, to land at **Pom Pom Camp** where you will spend the next **2 nights** on a **fully inclusive basis**.

Pom Pom Camp

The Camp is located on Pom Pom Island in a private concession situated in the heart of the Okavango Delta and on the head waters of the Xudum river system. The area lies on the western boundary of the Moremi Game Reserve and offers superb Okavango scenery and a true Okavango wilderness experience.

The main building is attractively designed and constructed of thatch and canvas and comprises lounge, dining, bar and pool areas, as well as a gift shop and the boma area.

The swimming pool is situated close to the main lodge and the bar, making a perfect location for you to enjoy a relaxing afternoon in the heat of the day.



Day 05: 23 Dec 2013

Okavango Delta

B/L/D

The Okavango Delta offers a range of experiences and you will have the full day to enjoy the included walking safaris, mokoro and boat excursions, fishing trips, and day and night game drives.



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Okavango Delta

The very word "Okavango" evokes a sense of adventure and exploration, and this is exactly what the Okavango Delta is about. Often called the Okavango Swamps, this intricate maze of waterways and sandy islands is an explorer's dream, and the destination should be on the wish list of anyone looking for a unique travel experience.

The geology of the Delta is fascinating, with its creation being attributed to tectonic plate action from thousands of years ago causing the Kavango River to flow from Angola into the Kalahari Desert as opposed to the Atlantic Ocean.

Day 06: 24 Dec 2013

Okavango – Linyanti

B/L/D

You will catch another light aircraft flight today, into the remote northern Linyanti region of the country, to **Kwando Lebala Camp** where you will spend the next **3 nights** on a **fully inclusive basis**.



Kwando Lebala Camp

Lebala is situated in the south of the Kwando concession, adjacent to the head waters of the Linyanti marshes that form the boundary between Botswana and Namibia. The camp comprises 8 custom designed tents, including family rooms, with unique mosquito net walls, allowing an unobstructed flow of cooling breezes and stunning views. Each spacious tent has its own viewing deck, bathroom and double outdoor showers. There are day and night off road game drives and seasonal game walks which are slow, comfortable strolls meant to provide you with a chance to experience the wilderness at a natural pace to suit your personal desires or level of fitness.

Day 07 & 08: 25 & 26 Dec 2013

Linyanti

B/L/D

You will have these 2 full days to enjoy Lebala Camp and the surrounding wilderness, with day and night game drives exploring the remote Linyanti region.



Linyanti

Just when you thought that lodges could not get any more remote or wild in Botswana! In the far north of the country, bordering Namibia, you will find the Selinda Spillway, the Linyanti River and Marsh, and the Kwando River. The Spillway is the waterway which connects the Okavango Delta with the Kwando and Linyanti Rivers, which then flow on to become the Chobe River. The wilderness areas supported by these waters have been divided into private concessions, on which are scattered very few, very luxurious, lodges.

Day 09: 27 Dec 2013

Linyanti – Johannesburg

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This morning you will catch another light aircraft flight out of Linyanti to Maun, where you will land in time to connect with your international flight **SA8301** to Johannesburg, departing at **14h00**.

On landing at O R Tambo International Airport at **15h40**, after entry formalities you will catch the familiar free shuttle bus to the **Peermont Mondior Hotel** to spend **1 night** on a **bed and breakfast basis**.



Day 10: 28 Dec 2013

Johannesburg – Arusha

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This morning you will catch the shuttle bus back to the airport no later than **07h04** in time for your flight **SA186** to Dar es Salaam, departing at **09h30** and landing at **14h00**. You will connect onto flight **PW436** departing at **16h30** and landing at Kilimanjaro International at **17h55**, where you will be met by a driver and transferred to the **Arusha Coffee Lodge**, to spend **1 night** on a **bed and breakfast basis**.

Arusha Coffee Lodge

Situated just 5 minutes from Arusha Airport, the Arusha Coffee Lodge is ideally placed to begin a safari in Tanzania, and offers stylish accommodation on the grounds of a coffee plantation. Comprising 30 Plantation Houses - including 12 Plantation Suites - all of which radiate out into the evergreen coffee fields - Arusha Coffee Lodge has been designed around the original landowner's home which dates back over 100 years. The theme of coffee is never that far away at Arusha Coffee Lodge, and this is never more evident than in the Plantation Suites where coffee bean partitions divide the main bedroom from its beautifully appointed en suite bathroom.



Day 11: 29 Dec 2013

Arusha – Lake Manyara National Park

B/L/D

You will have the morning at leisure and your safari briefing, followed by lunch. This afternoon you will join your vehicle safari and you depart Arusha, passing through the Masai Steppe filled with many picturesque African villages as well as maize, coffee and banana plantations.

At the town of Makuyuni you turn North West and continue the journey up through a scenic escarpment that brings you to your lodge, perched on the edge of the Rift Valley with stunning views over the distant Lake Manyara.

You will spend **1 night** at **Lake Manyara Serena Lodge** on a **full board basis**.



Lake Manyara Serena Lodge

Lake Manyara Serena Safari Lodge stands high on the edge of a towering terracotta escarpment with panoramic views over Lake Manyara, and offers a blend of tranquillity, wildlife discovery, and ornithological richness. Grouped around a central 'vanishing horizon' pool, this Lodge features a simple timbered reception area, built in traditional African style, which is accessed via a bridge over a small stream. Beyond the reception are the central dining room, bar and veranda, below which lies the pool. Dotted around the grounds, all with views over the lake, are a series of circular, white-washed 2 storey thatched 'rondavels', which house the rooms. Each spacious circular room has its own small veranda.

Lake Manyara National Park

Being a relatively small park, and with Lake Manyara taking up the majority of the area, Lake Manyara National Park can be covered easily on half-day game drives, but these drives are usually very rewarding despite their brevity.

The scenery and birdlife are Lake Manyara's major attractions, with the lake being perfectly located to offer spectacular views along the Great Rift Valley.






Day 12: 30 Dec 2013 Lake Manyara – Serengeti National Park B/L/D

After breakfast there is a game drive in Lake Manyara National Park that returns to the lodge for lunch.


After lunch, leaving Lake Manyara behind, the journey continues North West across the stunning hilly countryside of the highlands which is filled with wheat and coffee plantations, and then into the Ngorongoro Conservation Area. From here lie the vast plains of the Serengeti, where you'll hopefully start spotting game well before you get into the park.

You will spend the next **2 nights** at the **Serengeti Sopa Lodge** on a **full board basis**.

	<p><u>Serengeti Sopa Lodge</u></p> <p>Serengeti Sopa Lodge is nestled in the acacia woodland on the edge of the escarpment overlooking the plains of the south-western Serengeti National Park. Accommodation is provided in 69 standard rooms, all with 2 queen size beds, carpeted, and furnished with local fabrics and pictures. On entering the room there is a lounge with a mini bar. A veranda with 2 comfortable chairs and coffee table faces the vast Serengeti plains. The rooms have en-suite bathrooms and hairdryers.</p>
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Day 13: 31 Dec 2013 Serengeti National Park B/L/D

Today will be spent on morning and afternoon game drives across the Serengeti plains.

<p><u>Serengeti National Park</u></p> <p>The word "Siringit" means "endless plains", and this is understandably from where the Serengeti National Park takes its name. The iconic, endless, golden plains of Africa are nowhere more evident than within this national park, as they stretch off into eternity, dotted throughout with thousands of animals. Located in the north-west corner of Tanzania, alongside Lake Victoria, the Serengeti has earned its place as one of the world's most famous wildlife areas. While best known for the enormous herds of the wildebeest migration, there is far more to the Serengeti than this, and the national park can be enjoyed even when you are not in the vicinity of this spectacle.</p>	
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Day 14: 01 Jan 2014 Serengeti – Ngorongoro Crater B/L/D

After breakfast you depart for Ngorongoro viewing game across the vast Serengeti plains. After a picnic lunch you will visit a Maasai village before continuing to your lodge, set high on the rim of Ngorongoro Crater. You will spend the next **2 nights** at the **Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge** on a **full board basis**.

<p><u>Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge</u></p> <p>Situated on the eastern rim of the Ngorongoro Crater, a World Heritage Site, Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge has a magnificent view of the crater which is home to vast herds of buffalo, wildebeest, zebra and gazelles. Amongst other wildlife are elephant, cheetah, leopards, lion and the rare and endangered black rhino. The 90 double bedrooms of Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge each accommodates 2 queen sized beds and a separate dressing area. Every room has a glass fronted private veranda, where you can simply relax and relish the superb view of the Crater.</p>	
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Day 15: 02 Jan 2014

Ngorongoro Crater

B/L/D

A highlight awaits you this morning as you depart to explore what is commonly referred to as the World's largest wildlife zoo. After breakfast, you descend with a picnic lunch through the early morning mists and 2,000 feet into the crater. Due to its size and diversity, the crater floor is comprised of several distinct areas, ranging from forest, swamps, lakes and springs, to open grassland and some sandy dunes. It's an awesome wildlife experience. Lunch is served near a small lake filled with hippos. You then continue game viewing before returning to the crater's rim and your lodge.

Ngorongoro Crater

A unique and fascinating game viewing destinations, the Ngorongoro Crater is a must-see on any Tanzania safari.

Being the world's largest intact caldera, and the result of a collapsed volcano thousands of years ago, the 260 square kilometres of crater floor hosts up to 25 000 animals at all times of year. This makes it one of the most dense wildlife areas in Africa, and allows for many memorable sightings.



Day 16: 03 Jan 2014

Ngorongoro – Tarangire National Park

B/L/D

Departing Ngorongoro Crater after breakfast you will head south-east en route to Lake Manyara, Mto wa Mbu village and Tarangire beyond. Through the highlands and the Karatu district, you'll view the scenic wheat plains and coffee plantations here before journeying down the spectacular escarpment where you turn south on to the main Arusha – Dodoma road and into the park. From here to the lodge, you'll enjoy a game drive en-route.

After lunch and perhaps a swim, the remainder of the afternoon will be spent on a game drive.

You will spend **1 night at Tarangire Sopa Lodge** on a **full board basis**.



Tarangire Sopa Lodge

Tarangire Sopa Lodge provides 75 spacious rooms furnished with a mini bar and 2 queen size beds including mosquito nets. 4 of these rooms are suitable for the physically challenged.

The Lodge lies hidden among the kopjes and surrounded by ancient baobab trees. Tarangire is the home of one of the greatest concentration of elephants in Africa, and showcases other game including the elusive leopard. Over 400 bird species can be spotted here as well.

Tarangire National Park

In the past, Tarangire National Park was often overlooked by visitors to Tanzania, however it is now holding its own as one of the best dry season parks in the region.

During the dry months of July through to October, an enormous amount of wildlife is drawn inside Tarangire to access the water from the Tarangire River and the Silale Swamps, allowing for very rewarding game viewing experiences.

The park is home to some of the largest elephant herds of East Africa, and the scenery is particularly popular for the wide open, Serengeti-like plains, decorated with enormous and commanding Baobab trees.





Day 17: 04 Jan 2014

Tarangire – Stone Town

B/L

This morning you will leave Tarangire behind and drive back to Arusha where you will be taken to the town centre for lunch. You will then be taken to Kilimanjaro International Airport in time for your flight to Zanzibar departing at **15h35**. On arrival in Zanzibar at **16h40** you will be met and transferred into Stone Town where you will spend **1 night** at the **Zanzibar Serena Inn** on a **bed and breakfast** basis.

You will have the evening free to explore the town and try out some of the local cuisine.

Zanzibar Serena Inn

Idyllically situated on the sea-front of ancient Stone Town, and flanked by an exotic mix of sultan's palaces, Portuguese forts, ancient dhow harbours, and bright bazaars, the Zanzibar Serena Inn is a haven of tranquillity and opulence amongst the bustle of one of Africa's most ancient and most enchanting towns. A member of the prestigious Small Luxury Hotels of the World, the inn has been styled to represent the epitome of Swahili style, ethnic elegance and Arabic opulence. Adorned with arched niches, antique plates and brass lamps; and featuring traditionally carved furniture with basket weave and ceramic inlay, the rooms are predominantly royal blue and white.



Day 18: 05 Jan 2014

Stone Town – Zanzibar Coast

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This morning you will have some more time to explore Stone Town before being transferred across to the north coast of the island to spend **4 nights** at **The Z Hotel** on a **bed and breakfast** basis in a rooftop suite.



Zanzibar

The Zanzibar Archipelago has lured travellers to its pristine, white beaches for centuries, and continues to be the drawcard for sun-seeking, beach-loving tourists from all over the world.

The main island of Zanzibar (correctly named Unguja), has a plethora of accommodation options, ranging from rustic beach bungalows to large and glitzy resorts, and can offer something to everyone's taste. Sandy beaches run the length of the coast, shaded by green palm trees, and caressed by turquoise waters.

Day 19 - 21: 06 – 08 Jan 2014

Zanzibar Coast

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These 3 full days will be spent at leisure, enjoying some of the numerous activities available on the island, or just relaxing on the beach or at the pool with a cocktail.

The Z Hotel

This chic, boutique hotel situated in a secluded plot on the corner of an idyllic beach in Nungwi, is located on the northern tip of Zanzibar. It blends elegant, contemporary design with traditional Zanzibari features to create a unique cool and relaxing environment. Set in a lush, tropical garden with direct access to the white powder beaches and warm waters of the Indian Ocean, the Z hotel has been finished to a high specification by an international team of architects and interior designers. There are 6 room designs, some having private decks over the sea.





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Day 22: 09 Jan 2014

Day of Departure

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Today you will be transferred back to Zanzibar Airport in time for your flight to Dar es Salaam departing at **10h15**, where you will land at **10h45** in time to connect onto flight **SA187** departing at **14h45** and landing in Johannesburg at **17h25**. In Johannesburg you will connect onto flight **SA280** departing at **21h20**.

Day 23: 10 Jan 2014

Arrival into Australia

You will land in Perth today at **12h55**, in time to connect onto flight **QF594** departing at **16h25** and landing in Brisbane at **22h55**.

End of Services

Thanks very much for confirming your travels with African Ubuntu Safaris. We know you will have a fantastic time, and look forward to hearing about it when you return!

Kind regards

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- Cancellation penalties:
 - For cancellations made more than 60 days prior to start date: 30% cancellation penalty will apply (i.e. full deposit)
 - For cancellations made between 45 and 60 days prior to departure date: 50% cancellation penalty will apply
 - For cancellation made less than 45 days prior to departure date: 100% cancellation penalty will apply (i.e. the full booking cost)

Insurance:

- African Ubuntu Safaris strongly insists that every traveller purchases comprehensive travel insurance. As the deposit is non-refundable, and cancellation penalties apply, insurance must be taken out which can cover you in the event of you needing to cancel your travel plans. African Ubuntu Safaris will not be liable for any costs resulting from any traveller's failure to purchase travel insurance.

Passenger and Travel Information

- Travellers should bring only soft sided bags on safaris.
- All travellers must have Identification Card / Passport with them for internal flights.
- Luggage restrictions are in place when travelling in Africa, especially concerning light aircraft flights. In general, in Southern Africa the weight limit is 20 kgs per person, and in East Africa the limit is 15 kgs per person. This includes hand luggage. It is possible to pay for extra weight allowance.
- A yellow fever vaccination is compulsory for a number of African countries. Please consult a travel doctor for up to date information.
- Travellers must have a passport which is valid for more than 6 months after the end date of the itinerary.
- Travellers' passports must have a minimum 2 blank pages per country to be visited.