



## AFRICAN UBUNTU SAFARIS

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### Confirmed Itinerary

Traveller name:	Kevin & Marilyn, Ronald & Helen, John & Jane, Colin & Sue, John & Margaret
Tour name:	Southern Africa Safari
Number of travellers:	10
Date of travel:	02 – 20 September 2013

### Itinerary Outline

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

Day	Date	Accommodation	Meals	Location
01	02 September 2013	<a href="#">Peermont Mondior</a>	BB	<a href="#">Johannesburg</a>
02	03 September 2013	<a href="#">Kasaka River Lodge</a>	FI	<a href="#">Lower Zambezi National Park</a>
03	04 September 2013	Kasaka River Lodge	FI	Lower Zambezi National Park
04	05 September 2013	Kasaka River Lodge	FI	Lower Zambezi National Park
05	06 September 2013	<a href="#">Victoria Falls Hotel</a>	BB	<a href="#">Victoria Falls</a>
06	07 September 2013	Victoria Falls Hotel	BB	Victoria Falls
07	08 September 2013	<a href="#">Letaka Tented Camp</a>	FI	<a href="#">Savuti</a>
08	09 September 2013	Letaka Tented Camp	FI	Savuti
09	10 September 2013	Letaka Tented Camp	FI	Savuti
10	11 September 2013	<a href="#">Shinde Tented Camp</a>	FI	<a href="#">Okavango Delta</a>
11	12 September 2013	Shinde Tented Camp	FI	Okavango Delta
12	13 September 2013	Shinde Tented Camp	FI	Okavango Delta
13	14 September 2013	<a href="#">The Commodore Hotel</a>	BB	<a href="#">Cape Town</a>
14	15 September 2013	The Commodore Hotel	BB	Cape Town
15	16 September 2013	The Commodore Hotel	BB	Cape Town
16	17 September 2013	<a href="#">The Taj Hotel</a>	BB	Cape Town
17	18 September 2013	<a href="#">The Blue Train</a>	FI	Cape Town - Pretoria
18	19 September 2013	Day of departure	B	

**BB** = Bed and Breakfast; **FI** = Breakfast, lunch, dinner and drinks

#### Cost includes:

- Meet and greet services and airport transfers
- Game drives, walking safaris, canoeing, fishing, boat cruises at Kasaka River Lodge
- Guided tour of the Falls, sunset cruise, 13 min helicopter flight at Victoria Falls
- Game drives at Letaka Tented Camp
- All land and water activities at Shinde
- Full day Cape Peninsula and Winelands Combo tour in Cape Town
- Robben Island tour for Ron Button, John McNamara, John & Margaret Weekes
- Pretoria city tour
- Flights: Brisbane – Sydney – Johannesburg – Lusaka; Lusaka – Lower Zambezi – Livingstone; Kasane – Savuti – Shinde – Maun; Maun – Johannesburg – Cape Town; Johannesburg – Perth - Brisbane
- All meals, drinks and accommodation as specified
- All park fees and government taxes

#### Cost Excludes:

- Driver guide or local escort gratuities
- Drinks and meals in Johannesburg and premium branded drinks at camps
- Telephone bill, laundry and any items of a personal nature
- Medical, evacuation or travel insurance



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## Detailed Itinerary

**Day 01: 02 Sep 2013**

**Arrival into Johannesburg**

This morning you will make your own way to Brisbane Airport in time for flight **QF505** departing at **07h00** and landing in Sydney at **08h35**, where you will connect onto flight **SA7701** departing at **09h55** and landing in Johannesburg at **16h15**. On arrival in Johannesburg, after passing through immigrations, you will be met and transferred to the **Peermont Mondior**, 5 minutes from the airport, where you will spend **1 night** on a **bed and breakfast basis**.



### **Peermont Mondior Hotel**

Enjoy elegance at an attractive price...the 4-star Peermont Mondior hotel at Emperors Palace sets an exciting standard in world-class business, conference and leisure accommodation.

The hotel features 150 spacious rooms and suites furnished in contemporary African elegance and fitted with cutting-edge technology.

Its convenient location next to O.R. Tambo International Airport makes it suitable for business and leisure travellers.



### **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.

**Day 02: 03 Sep 2013**

**Johannesburg – Lower Zambezi National Park B/D**

This morning you will be transferred back to the airport in time for your flight to **SA62** at **10h25** to **Lusaka** where you will be met on arrival and assisted onto your flight to the Lower Zambezi National Park.

On arrival at the airstrip you will be met and driven to **Kasaka River Lodge** where you will spend the next **3 nights** on a **fully inclusive basis**.



### **Kasaka River Lodge**

Nestled on the banks of the Zambezi River in the Chiawa Game Management area, Kasaka River Lodge is a 20 bed luxury tented camp with each chalet secluded amongst the native flora. The river extends the length of the property and there are breathtaking views over the water with sightings of buffalo, elephant, hippo and crocodile. Activities are tailored to make the most of this incredibly diverse wilderness. Game viewing is offered in a variety of forms: game drives designed to completely immerse you in the amazing natural wonders of wild Africa; a leisurely canoe safari; a river safari navigating the islands and main channels of the mighty Zambezi; or the thrill of a walking safari.



**Day 03 & 04: 04 & 05 Sep 2013 Lower Zambezi National Park B/L/D**

These 2 full days will be spent enjoying the numerous ways of exploring the Lower Zambezi Valley. Included during your stay at Kasaka are walking safaris, canoeing safaris, fishing excursions and boat cruises along the Zambezi River. Village visits to the local communities are also possible to arrange.



**Lower Zambezi National Park**

As the name explains, Lower Zambezi National Park is set along the banks of the mighty Zambezi River, which forms the border between Zambia and Zimbabwe.

On the other side of the river is Mana Pools National Park, which helps to create a large conservation zone in the Zambezi River valley.

Largely undeveloped, Lower Zambezi provides travellers with an action filled Zambian safari, with walking safaris, canoeing, boat cruises and fishing excursions all being available.

**Day 05: 06 Sep 2013 Lower Zambezi – Victoria Falls B/D**

This morning you will be driven back to the airstrip in time for your charter flight to Livingstone. On arrival you will be met and transferred across the border into Zimbabwe, where you will spend the next **2 nights** at the **Victoria Falls Hotel** on a **bed and breakfast basis**.

This afternoon you will be taken to the Falls for a guided tour, before being collected at **18h50** from your hotel and taken to the Boma Restaurant for a fun filled dinner, complete with African music, drums and dancing



**Victoria Falls Hotel**

The Victoria Falls Hotel, popularly known as “the grand old lady of the Falls”, is situated in the Victoria Falls National Park, a world heritage site, and is a member of the exclusive Leading Hotels of the World group. It is one of only three 1So-accredited hotels in Zimbabwe. The Edwardian-style five-star hotel, built in 1904, was recently redecorated and refurbished and now combines the charm of the old with the convenience of the new. Set in lush tropical gardens with lily ponds, palm trees and semi-tropical shrubs, it provides the tranquillity and seclusion that many guests seek.

**Day 06: 07 Sep 2013 Victoria Falls B**

Today will be spent enjoying activities around Victoria Falls. At **10h00** you will be collected from your hotel and taken for your 13 minute helicopter flight above the Falls. At **16h00** you will be collected and taken on a sunset cruise on the 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 water then rushes through an opening of only 50 metres, as the Zambezi races further along, over churning rapids and through the Batoka Gorge.





**Day 07: 08 Sep 2013**

**Victoria Falls – Savuti**

**B/L/D**

This morning you will be collected from the hotel and transferred across the border into Botswana, where you will catch a flight to the Savuti region of the Chobe National Park, where you will spend the next **3 nights** at your private **Letaka Safaris Tented Camp** on a fully inclusive basis. The camp is a mobile tented camp, with spacious tents having bed and en-suite toilets and bucket showers. It is an adventurous yet comfortable way to experience the African bush.



**Letaka Tented Camp**

Letaka Safaris is a specialist mobile camping operator in Botswana. They will set up a private tented camp for the group, allowing for an adventurous yet comfortable safari experience. The tents are 9 x 15ft wilderness tents with high roof and a 9 foot covered area in front of the tent. The tents are fitted with high camp beds made up with mattresses, sheets, duvets and pillows. They have en-suite long drop toilet facilities and a bucket shower at the rear of the tent. Showers can be ordered as hot, cold or warm and the water is heated in a bucket on the fire. Both hand towels and bath towels are supplied for the guests' convenience.

**Day 08 & 09: 09 & 10 Sep 2013**

**Savuti**

**B/L/D**

These 2 full days will be spent on game drives exploring the wild Savuti.



**Savuti**

Although technically part of the Chobe National Park, Savuti has become a famous destination in its own right. Lying about mid-way between the Chobe River and the Okavango Delta, Savuti is a harsh, arid landscape, which until recently, was only watered by the annual rains. These rains were the lifeblood of the Savute Marsh, which would then play host to huge herds of zebra, as they migrate from the north.

However, after about 30 years of dryness, the Savuti Channel has started to flow again, changing the dynamics of the area, and providing year round water access to the resident animals. Savute has long been spoken of in awe by safari enthusiasts due to its wild reputation, and fierce concentration of predators.

**Day 10: 11 Sep 2013**

**Savuti – Okavango Delta**

**B/D**

From Savuti you will catch a light aircraft flight to the northern Okavango Delta, where you will spend the next **3 nights** at **Shinde** on a **fully inclusive basis**.



**Shinde**

Nestled on a lush palm island in the heart of the northern Okavango Delta, Shinde is an intimate camp located on the edge of Shinde Lagoon, which simply teems with animal and birdlife. The camp's unique main area comprises a multi-tiered dining room and lounge, set under canvas amongst the shade of ebony and mangosteen trees to complement the atmosphere of this original safari camp.

Shinde comprises eight twin-bedded classic safari tents, each with en-suite bathrooms, hot and cold running water and flush toilet. Accommodation is generally twin share on comfortable three quarter beds, however double accommodation is available on request.



**Day 11 & 12: 12 & 13 Sep 2013**

**Okavango Delta**

**B/L/D**

These 2 full days will be spent enjoying the numerous activities on offer from Shinde. The beauty of this camp is that all year round water and land activities are available, in a beautiful and remote location in the Delta.



**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 13: 14 Sep 2013**

**Okavango Delta – Cape Town**

**B**

This morning you will catch a light aircraft to Maun, where you will connect onto your international flight **SA8301** departing at **13h40** for Johannesburg. On arrival at **15h30** you will connect onto **SA357** leaving for **Cape Town** at **17h00** and landing at **19h10**. On arrival in Cape Town you will be met and transferred to **The Commodore Hotel** where you will spend the next **3 nights** on a **bed and breakfast** basis.



**The Commodore**

Overlooking the V&A Waterfront with views of Table Mountain, Robben Island, the harbour and the Atlantic Ocean, The Commodore Hotel is a family-friendly Cape Town hotel. The 236 en suite air conditioned guestrooms are bright and spacious, and decorated in a nautical style. Each room includes a balcony, minibar, laptop-compatible safe, refrigerator and coffee/tea maker, hairdryer, wireless internet access, direct-dial phone, 35-inch plasma television with premium satellite channels, and pay movies.

**Day 14 & 15: 15 & 16 Sep 2013**

**Cape Town**

**B**

On **15 September** you will be collected in the morning and taken on a full day Cape Peninsula and Winelands tour.

On **16 September**, **Ron Button, John McNamara, John and Margaret Weekes** will visit Robben Island on the **09h00** tour, departing from the V & A Waterfront.

The rest of the days will be free for you to experience the city on your own agenda. You will have time to get up to the top of Table Mountain, relax on the beautiful city beaches, walk through Kirstenbosch Gardens, or even arrange a game of golf.



**Cape Town**

Scenically spectacular, with an array of activities on offer, Cape Town is great for an extended holiday on its own, or for an add on to a safari in South Africa, or any other countries. As an easy 2 hour hop from Johannesburg, with numerous daily flights, as well as some international flights from and to various countries, Cape Town is easily accessible, and an enjoyable way to ease into, or wind down, an African itinerary. Cape Town has regularly been voted amongst the world's most popular holiday destinations, with many visitors returning year after year.



**Day 16: 17 Sep 2013**

**Cape Town**

**B**

Although it will still be a full day in Cape Town, you will be transferred at **09h00** today to the **Taj Hotel** to spend **1 night** on a **bed and breakfast basis** (this night is included as part of a current special offered by The Blue Train).



**Taj Hotel**

Taj Cape Town welcomes guests to the vibrant heart of one of the world's most scenic and desirable cities, Cape Town. Taj Cape Town is a combination of rich history and elegant contemporary architecture. Originally home to the South African Reserve Bank and Temple Chambers, later the Board of Executors (BOE), it successfully combines the heritage of the old with the luxury of the new.

This five-star hotel is ideally located in the centre of historic Cape Town at the entrance to the famous pedestrian precinct, St George's Mall. Its prime location ensures that Taj Cape Town is perfectly situated for those looking to discover authentic Cape Town, and its blend of fascinating history, exotic culture, soulful art, lively entertainment and delectable cuisine.

**Day 17: 18 Sep 2013**

**The Blue Train**

**B/L/D**

This morning you will be transferred to the Cape Town station in time to check in to the luxurious Blue Train. You will depart Cape Town at **08h50**, and continue on the train's schedule to Pretoria.



**The Blue Train**

The Blue Train has an aura of mystique about it. Kings and presidents have travelled on this magnificent moving five-star hotel. The routes of The Blue Train - both scheduled and chartered - take you between Pretoria, Cape Town and Durban through some of the most breathtaking countryside to be found anywhere in the world.

The suites live up to The Blue Train's reputation for magnificence and splendour. The finest bed linen, marble tiles and gold fittings in the en suite bathrooms and sheer overall luxury ensure that you will never forget your time spent on The Blue Train. For the comfort of guests, all suites have individual temperature controls. Each coach has a butler to attend to your every need. The train manager is also on call at all times.

**Day 18: 19 Sep 2013**

**Day of departure**

**B**

The train is scheduled to arrive in Pretoria at **12h50** this afternoon. You will be collected from Pretoria Central Station at **13h30** and taken on a tour of Pretoria City and for an early dinner (for your own account). You will then be transferred to Johannesburg International Airport by 20h00 in time for flight **SA280** to **Perth** departing at **22h05**.

**Day 19: 20 Sep 2013**

**Arrival back in Australia**

On arrival in Perth today at **13h25** you will connect onto flight **QF594** departing at **16h25** and landing in Brisbane at **22h40**, where you will end your journey after exploring some of Africa's most beautiful locations.

**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!



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Kind regards

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#### **Cancellation terms and conditions:**

- All cancellations must be advised of in writing
- 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