



AFRICAN UBUNTU SAFARIS

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Confirmed Safari Itinerary

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Tour name:	Botswana, Madagascar Itinerary
Travel dates:	14 August – 7 September 2013
Number of travellers:	2

Itinerary Outline

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Day	Date	Accommodation	Meals	Location
01	14 Aug 2013	Peermont Metcourt	BB	Johannesburg
02	15 Aug 2013	Amadeus Garden Guesthouse	BB	Victoria Falls
03	16 Aug 2013	Elephant's Eye Eco Lodge	FB	Hwange National Park
04	17 Aug 2013	Elephant's Eye Eco Lodge	FB	Hwange National Park
05	18 Aug 2013	Elephant's Eye Eco Lodge	FB	Hwange National Park
06	19 Aug 2013	Nata Lodge	FB	Makgadikgadi Salt Pans
07	20 Aug 2013	Kwhai Bedouin Camp	FB	Moremi Game Reserve/Kwhai Concession
08	21 Aug 2013	Kwhai Bedouin Camp	FB	Moremi Game Reserve/Kwhai Concession
09	22 Aug 2013	Kwhai Bedouin Camp	FB	Moremi Game Reserve/Kwhai Concession
10	23 Aug 2013	Crocodile Camp	BB	Maun
11	24 Aug 2013	Guma Lagoon Camp	FB	Okavango Delta
12	25 Aug 2013	Mahangu Lodge	FB	Caprivi
13	26 Aug 2013	Chobe Safari Lodge	FB	Chobe National Park
14	27 Aug 2013	Chobe Safari Lodge	FB	Chobe National Park
15	28 Aug 2013	Amadeus Garden Guesthouse	BB	Victoria Falls
16	29 Aug 2013	Peermont Metcourt	BB	Johannesburg
17	30 Aug 2013	Residence Lapasoa	BB	Antananarivo
18	31 Aug 2013	Princesse Tsiribihina	BB	Miandrivazo
19	01 Sep 2013	Hotel Renala au Sable d'Or	BB	Morondava
20	02 Sep 2013	Hotel Renala au Sable d'Or	BB	Morondava
21	03 Sep 2013	Hotel Renala au Sable d'Or	BB	Morondava
22	04 Sep 2013	Residence Lapasoa	BB	Antananarivo
23	05 Sep 2013	Rosebank Holiday Inn	BB	Johannesburg
24	06 Sep 2013	Rosebank Holiday Inn	BB	Johannesburg
25	07 Sep 2013	Day of departure	B	

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



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Detailed Itinerary

Day 01: 14 Aug 2013 Johannesburg

This morning you will make your own way to Sydney International Airport in time for flight **SA7701** departing at **09h55** and landing in Johannesburg at **16h15**. You will be met after passing through immigrations and transferred to the **Peermont Metcourt** where you will spend **1 night** on a **bed and breakfast** basis.

Day 02: 15 Aug 2013 Johannesburg – Victoria Falls B

This morning you will catch the free shuttle bus back to O R Tambo International Airport in time for your flight **SA40** to Victoria Falls, departing at **10h50** and landing at **12h35**. After immigration formalities you will be met and transferred to the **Amadeus Garden Guesthouse** where you will spend **1 night** on a **bed and breakfast** basis.

The rest of the afternoon may be spent at leisure enjoying one of the many activities available in Victoria Falls. This evening you will meet your guide and the rest of your group at the Guesthouse at 18h00 for your pre-departure meeting.

Day 03: 16 Aug 2013 Victoria Falls – Hwange National Park B/L/D

This morning you depart Victoria Falls and make your way to Hwange National Park, one of Africa's finest havens for wildlife and home to vast herds of elephant, buffalo, and zebra and a very large concentration of giraffe. Hwange National Park is also home to many predators and endangered species plus varied birdlife. This afternoon you can partake in an optional game drive if time allows. You spend the next **3 nights** at **Elephant's Eye Eco Lodge** on a **full board** basis.

Day 04 & 05: 17 & 18 Aug 2013 Hwange National Park B/L/D

Over the following two days you will have plenty of time to explore this vast wilderness on game drives. You will also visit the Painted Dog Conservation Centre to witness the work that is done to protect this endangered species.

Day 06: 19 Aug 2013 Hwange National Park - Makgadikgadi B/L/D

You need to get up early, as today is the longest drive of the safari. You leave Hwange National Park and drive through the Matetsi safari area en-route to Botswana. The drive is beautifully scenic, with the chance of spotting game along the way. We arrive into **Nata Lodge** in the late afternoon to spend **1 night** with **dinner and breakfast**.

Day 07: 20 Aug 2013 Nata Bird Sanctuary – Khwai B/L/D

After breakfast you head off to the Nata Bird Sanctuary, where you get the opportunity to enjoy the magnificent view over the Sowa pan, which is part of the Greater Magkadikgadi Pans. (Please note a visit to the pans is subject to the road conditions and water levels aswell as time constraints.)

From Makghadighadi you travel to your next camp which is situated in a private concession in the Khwai area, renowned for its large concentration of wildlife.mammals and it is not unusual to see many different types of wildlife during just one game drive.

You will be accommodated in **Kwhai Bedouin Camp** for **3 nights** on a **full board** basis.

Day 08: 21 Aug 2013 Khwai B/L/D

You have the opportunity to spend the day on game drives in the Khwai area in an open 4x4 vehicle exploring the Khwai River region, hopefully spotting a variety of game that frequent this region. After dinner your guide will take you on a night drive for the chance to spot some rare nocturnal animals.



Day 09: 22 Aug 2013 **Khwai** **B/L/D**

Today we head into the famous Moremi Game Reserve, known as one of the most beautiful and varied reserves in Africa with an unprecedented concentration of wildlife. The full day is spent in the unspoiled nature of the Moremi Game Reserve.

Day 10: 23 Aug 2013 **Khwai. - Maun** **B**

This morning you travel to Maun, the gateway to the Okavango Delta, where you will spend **1 night** at **Crocodile Camp** on a **bed and breakfast** basis. The afternoon is yours to spend at leisure, either relaxing next to the pool at the lodge or if you are keen for some excitement, why not book a scenic flight over the Okavango Delta.

Day 11: 24 Aug 2013 **Maun - Okavango** **B/L/D**

Early in the morning you leave Maun and drive to the Western Delta and onto Etsha 13. From here you head into the largest inland delta in the world, another highlight of Botswana, the Okavango Delta. Unlike other deltas, it flows into the Kalahari Desert without reaching the coast, which makes it unique. You will float in Mokoros through the thick vegetation of the Delta discovering a variety of birds and wildlife and will stop at a secluded island to take a 1½ hour guided walk hoping to spot elephants, waterbuck or other animals living in this water filled paradise. You will spend **1 night** at **Guma Lagoon** on a **full board** basis.

Day 12: 25 Aug 2013 **Okavango - Caprivi** **B/L/D**

Today you leave the lush verdant wetlands of Botswana and enter Namibia. Enjoy an afternoon game drive in the Greater Bwabwata National Park, which extends from the Kavango River in the west to the Kwando River in the east and incorporates the Mahangu Game Reserve. Elephant, roan, kudu and buffalo are amongst the animals likely to be seen as well as prolific birdlife. You will be accommodated on a **full board** basis for **1 night** at **Mahangu Lodge**.

Day 13: 26 Aug 2013 **Caprivi – Chobe National Park** **B/L/D**

Today you continue our journey through the Caprivi Strip, crossing the border back into Botswana until we reach Kasane, the gateway to the Chobe National Park. You will spend **2 nights** at **Chobe Safari Lodge full board**.

Day 14: 27 Aug 2013 **Chobe National Park** **B/L/D**

Your morning will start with game drive in Chobe National Park. You will return to the lodge for lunch, where you can relax until your boat cruise on the Chobe River starts around 3pm. Here you can watch elephants, hippos, crocodiles and a variety of birds, making for excellent up close photo opportunities.

Day 15: 28 Aug 2013 **Chobe National Park - Victoria Falls** **B/L/D**

Today you leave Botswana behind and come to the place where you started this trip full of real African experiences – Victoria Falls. You visit the Victoria Falls on a guided tour and then have the rest of the day at leisure or to partake in one of the many optional activities. (For own expense). You will spend **1 night** at the **Amadeus Garden Guesthouse** on a **bed and breakfast** basis.

Day 16: 29 Aug 2013 **Victoria Falls - Johannesburg** **B/L/D**

After breakfast you will be transferred to Victoria Falls Airport in time for your departure flight **SA41** to Johannesburg departing at **13h25** and landing at **15h10**. On arrival at O R Tambo International Airport you will catch the free shuttle bus to the **Peermont Metcourt** to spend **1 night** on a bed and breakfast basis.



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Day 17: 30 Aug 2013 **Johannesburg - Antananarivo** **B**

This morning you will catch the free shuttle bus back to the airport in time for flight **SA8252** departing at **10h00** and landing in Antananarivo at **14h10**, where you will be met after passing through immigration and transferred to the **Residence Lapasoa** to spend **1 night** on a **bed and breakfast basis**.

Day 18: 31 Aug 2013 **Antananarivo - Miandrivazo** **B**

This morning you will be collected from your hotel and driven to Miandrivazo, on a good tarred road, with a lunch break in Antsirabe (410 km, about 8 hours' drive). Overnight at **Princesse Tsiribihina** on a **bed and breakfast basis**.

Day 19: 01 Sep 2013 **Miandrivazo - Morondava** **B**

This morning you will continue your drive to Morondava, on a good sealed road (about 340 km, 7 hours' drive). Here you will spend the next **3 nights** at the **Hotel Renala au Sable d'Or** on a **bed and breakfast**.

Day 20: 02 Sep 2013 **Morondava** **B**

Today you set out for a day excursion to the Kirindy reserve, where you will have the chance to see 7 species of lemurs, including the fat-tailed lemur and the tiny Pygmy Mouse lemur, believed to be the world's smallest primate. Kirindy is the best place to see the giant jumping rat as well as the fosa (Madagascar's largest predator), and you can also witness various spiny tenrecs, birds and reptiles aplenty. The diverse flora includes three of the six endemic Malagasy baobabs. On your way back to Morondava, you will stop to admire the beauty of the famous Baobab Avenue, at its best time – Sunset!

Day 21: 03 Sep 2013 **Morondava** **B**

This day is spent at leisure. Soak up the sun and enjoy the pristine white beaches and the warm Agulhas current. Explore the area on excursions and day trips or discover the marine life on deep-sea fishing trips or diving excursions. On the southern edge of town are tranquil mangrove swamps, which you can explore by pirogue, observing kingfishers, egrets and more along the way.

Day 22: 04 Sep 2013 **Morondava – Antananarivo** **B**

Today you will be transferred to the airport for your flight back to Antananarivo, where you will be met and transferred to the city. You can wander through the capital's steep and narrow streets, taking in its architecture, atmosphere and pace. Or you can climb up to the old rova (palace) and enjoy the views over Antananarivo and the surrounding countryside. The town is at its best in the evening when the setting sun spectacularly illuminates its hillsides.

Day 23: 05 Sep 2013 **Antananarivo – Johannesburg** **B**

You will be collected from your hotel today and driven to the airport in time for your flight **SA8253** departing at **15h00** and arriving in Johannesburg at **17h40**, where you will be met and transferred to the **Rosebank Holiday Inn** to spend the next **2 nights** on a **bed and breakfast basis**.

Day 24: 06 Sep 2013 **Johannesburg** **B**

You will have the full day today to explore Joburg. Excursions can easily be arranged to areas such as Soweto, where a lot of the history of the country can be learned.

Day 25: 07 Sep 2013 **Day of departure** **B**

You will have most of the day free before being transferred back to the airport in time for your flight **SA7700** departing at **18h15** and landing in Sydney at **14h15** on **08 Sep 2013**

End of Services



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Thank you for confirming your travel plans through African Ubuntu Safaris. We know you will have an amazing time!

Kind regards

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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