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Exploring South Africa, Victoria Falls & Botswana

with Optional 3-Night Dubai Pre Tour Extension

October 5 – 18, 2019

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Immerse Yourself
- Head out for an African sundowner via 4x4 and enjoy the sunset.
- Open your eyes to Zimbabwean culture during a specially-guided tour of a local village.
- Interact with African elephants.

Must-See Inclusions
- Enjoy 7 wildlife safaris in search of the "Big 5."
- Be whisked away to the top of Table Mountain on an aerial cable car.
- Witness the incredible beauty and power of Victoria Falls.

Culinary Inclusions
- Experience a traditional braai dinner at Hanglip Mountain under the starry skies.
- Sample South African wines at a vineyard tasting.
- Get to know a Capetonian family over dinner in their home.

Highlights: Cape Town, Table Mountain, Stellenbosch, Choices on Tour, Entabeni Conservancy, Johannesburg, Victoria Falls, Chobe National Park, 7 Wildlife Safaris

Day 1: Saturday, October 5, 2019
Overnight Flight You’re on your way to Southern Africa, where incredible landscapes lead way to a blend of cultural diversity, an abundance of wildlife, and a remarkable history. From urban centers to wild safaris, South Africa takes you by surprise, delighting you again and again until its unique spirit claims you, heart and soul.

Day 2: Sunday, October 6, 2019 Cape Town, South Africa - Tour Begins
South Africa. Immerse yourself in the pulse of this electric cultural mecca called Cape Town. Nicknamed “The Mother City,” it captivates you at every turn. Discover a melting pot of Dutch, French, and German architecture that embolden the horizon. Explore Alfred & Victoria Waterfront, a Cape Town hotspot and one of South Africa’s most compelling destinations, from heritage sites to historic landmarks, markets, shops, and restaurants.

Day 3: Monday, October 7, 2019
Cape Town Revolve at an altitude of more than 3,000 feet in a cable car atop incredible Table Mountain.* Rise gently over the South African landscape, rich in views of Cape Town, Lions Head, and historic Robben Island. Step in to a kingdom
Day 4: Tuesday, October 8, 2019

Cape Town  The drama of Cape Peninsula’s halcyon landscape leads you to Cape Point on the southwestern tip of Africa. Marvel at nature’s color wheel – shades of green that blanket rocky outcrops and cerulean waters that form into waves and crash into a brilliant lavender blue. Bartolomeau Dias, the first European to reach the Cape, named it the Cape of Storms, but it was re-named Cape of Good Hope by Portugal’s King John II when it opened a sea route to the East. Among mystic mountaintops over open seas, set out on an easy hike down mountain, passing through one of the world’s six floral kingdoms. End at Boulders Beach for the rarest of black-tie events – a rendezvous with endangered African penguins!

This evening, find yourself an honored guest for dinner at a Capetonian family’s home. Dine, exchange stories, and share a true “day-in-the-life” experience. End the evening with happy memories and lifelong friends. (B, D)

Day 5: Wednesday, October 9, 2019

Cape Town - Stellenbosch  The winelands of the Western Cape await you. The Cape boasts a reputation as some of the world’s most beautiful wine country, with no fewer than 13 wine routes. After a relaxing morning, a short drive takes you to the idyllic town of Stellenbosch – a zenith of South Africa’s famous winelands. Among rolling vineyards where historic Cape Dutch architecture dots the landscape, enjoy the afternoon at leisure. This evening, learn about South Africa’s renowned varietals during a wine tasting. End with dinner created with locally-sourced ingredients. (B, D)

Day 6: Thursday, October 10, 2019

Stellenbosch - Hermanus -
**Stellenbosch** Today, it’s your choice. Seaside Hermanus waits for you on the other side of an easy drive over the St. Lowry Pass. Learn more about this quaint maritime village known to be frequented by whales. Take in the town and enjoy its many shops and art galleries -OR- simply relax in Stellenbosch and take advantage of your hotel’s amenities. *(B)*

**Day 7: Friday, October 11, 2019**
**Stellenbosch - Johannesburg - Entabeni Conservancy**
Take to the skies on a flight to Johannesburg. Arrive in “The Place of the Mountain,” Entabeni Conservancy. Discover a series of African Baroque bungalows in the alluring umbra of Hanglip Mountain – your home for the next two nights. Then, it’s time to go where the wild things are. In a place where the lions reign as kings, head out in a 4x4 on a search for the “Big 5” across vast marshlands and craggy landscapes. Stretch your legs and enjoy a traditional African sundowner as the sun disappears behind the mountain. *(B, D)*

**Day 8: Saturday, October 12, 2019**
**Entabeni Conservancy**
Answer the call of the wild before sunrise. In the open expanse of Entabeni, among the pitch-perfect sounds of the wild, drive out in your 4x4 on a chase for the elusive “Big 5.” Enjoy coffee and tea in the bush. Later, follow the clues left by wildlife tracks as you head out on an investigation alongside a ranger and tracker before relaxing over lunch in the gardens. This afternoon, drive past the big cats as they prepare for the hunt. Under the night sky, indulge in a *braai*. From the Afrikaans meaning “grilled meat,” a braai is a unifying tradition of an old-fashioned, round-the-fire barbeque that’s a great societal equalizer, a lot of sausage, a lot of spice, and a lot of fun. Afterward, look up and discover your Shangri-La beneath a parade of stars and constellations only glimpsed in the Southern Hemisphere. *(B, L, D)*

**Day 9: Sunday, October 13, 2019**
**Entabeni Conservancy - Johannesburg**
Take one more crack at another quest for the “Big 5” this morning. Then, say goodbye to Entabeni and make the journey to vibrant Johannesburg. Explore *Maboneng*, the epicenter of the “Joburg” inner-city renaissance. From the Sotho word meaning “place
of light,” Maboneng is a beacon of urban togetherness – a regenerated cultural hub where history, business, and lifestyle clash seamlessly along the easily-walkable blocks of this colorful enclave in Joburg. Your afternoon is at leisure to check out Maboneng’s dozens of public artworks, do some people-watching in a trestle of café tables, or indulge in spongy injera at any of the neighborhood’s deliciously eclectic restaurants. (B)

**Day 10: Monday, October 14, 2019**
**Johannesburg - Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe**

Fly to Victoria Falls today – an awe-inspiring wonder of the world. When you arrive, check in to your lodge that boasts African elegance in the form of a vast open-plan tree house, where herds of buffalo, elephant, hyena, and kudu gather at a central watering hole. This afternoon, when rainbows are at their best, witness the awesome power of Victoria Falls. Afterward, toast the astonishing African sunset with a sundowner next to the animals gathered at the watering hole. Bombard the senses tonight with the tastes, sights, sounds, and smells of the Boma, a feast of fun under the stars featuring a cultural milieu of traditional dancers and drummers that celebrate the warmth of the Zimbabwean culture. Indulge in a superb selection of local delicacies, barbeque, and a variety of game meat for the more adventurous. (B, D)

**Day 11: Tuesday, October 15, 2019**
**Victoria Falls**

Embark on a captivating tour of a local village with our friend, a most passionate village elder. From a casual chat inside an open-roofed lapa that’s welcomed dignitaries and local leaders, to the surrounding fields, bush, and round houses with perfectly swept yards, discover a palpable energy in a place where African traditions are expressed with pride. Later, get ready for the experience of a lifetime. Greet African elephants, spend some quality time interacting with them in their own habitat, and learn some of their unique behaviors. Relax, reflect, and maybe even bring a coffee down to the watering hole during some free time at the lodge. This evening, you might decide to join an optional sunset cruise on the Zambezi River. (B)

**Day 12: Wednesday, October 16, 2019**
**Victoria Falls - Chobe, Botswana**

Before crossing the border to Botswana and Chobe, engage in a lively discourse about the African explorer and missionary, David Livingstone. Arrive in Chobe – game-viewing country. During a breathtaking safari cruise along the Chobe River, spot elephants and hippos that linger and swim along the shores, and crocodiles basking in the sun. (B, L, D)

**Day 13: Thursday, October 17, 2019**
**Chobe National Park**

Bordered by the Chobe River, Chobe National Park’s perennial waters rise in the northern Angolan highlands. Venture into the park for an unforgettable wildlife excursion through the park’s diverse ecosystems featuring remarkable biodiversity. After lunch, **it’s your choice!** Continue the wildlife search by land on an afternoon game drive - **OR**- hit the river for a new perspective on a safari cruise. Tonight, gather by the river for an
unforgettable, chef-hosted farewell dinner. On your last night, learn the secret to cooking a traditional braai, complete with some local favorites and delicacies. *(B, L, D)*

**Day 14: Friday, October 18, 2019  
Chobe - Johannesburg - Tour Ends**

Fly to Johannesburg today, where your tour comes to a close. *(B)*

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*On some dates alternate hotels may be used.*

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### Experience It! Entabeni Conservancy

Bringing together multiple ecosystems, the Entabeni Conservancy is one of the most biologically diverse regions in all of South Africa. In “The Place of the Mountain,” get ready to embark on an unforgettable and thrilling adventure. If ever there was a time to get your camera ready, this is it. This is “Big 5” country, where lion, African elephant, Cape buffalo, leopard and rhino roam free in the wide expanse. Notice great wild cats preparing for the hunt, or a slender mongoose darting across the road. In Entabeni, game drives, walking safaris, and air tours are among the most popular ways to get around. In this special place, the essence of a safari is laid out right in front of you among the rugged rock formations, the soaring cliffs, lowland marshes, and grass plains.

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### Please Note:

**IDENTIFICATION**

Passports and visas are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov) for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

**IMPORTANT:** We recommend that our guests traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

**A valid multiple entry visa is required for Zimbabwe. Multiple entry visa cost is approx. $45 USD for US citizens. Canadian citizens are required to purchase two single entry visas at a cost of $75 USD for each visa (total of $150 USD). The visa may be purchased upon arrival, in cash only. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority.**

**Important Passport Information:** You must have at least 4 blank pages (with visa

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For important reservation information visit [https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/875388](https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/875388). You can also find this information on your tour documents.
hologram) remaining in your passport to allow for the entry stamps issued for South Africa and Botswana as well as the visa for Zimbabwe. The 2 pages for South Africa MUST be facing each other. Failure to comply with this law will result in denied boarding of your international flight. If you have questions please see your travel professional or call us.

Park fees (approximately $67 USD) are not included in the land price of your tour. Fees are subject to change and are payable at time of final payment.

Maximum Elevation: 7,800 feet / 2377 meters.
Wildlife sightings cannot be guaranteed.

*Table Mountain Cableway is subject to weather conditions.

Single accommodations are extremely limited. Triple accommodations are not available.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

**Travel with just 19 passengers on this tour where a smaller group setting means a more personal travel experience.**

To truly experience the program and destination, you need to be able to participate in physical activities such as longer walking tours, walking over uneven terrain, climbing stairs and periods of standing. Some of the touring days may be longer, with select included activities occurring later in the evening.

We pride ourselves on bringing guests the very best experiences a destination offers. When traveling in Africa you will encounter full days of sightseeing, frequently in warm temperatures. In order to most fully experience the wildlife, you will be traveling by custom built safari vehicle which requires climbing in and out frequently and travel on bumpy roads. To experience Africa fully, we recommend that all guests be in reasonably good health and prepare properly. Unfortunately, wheelchairs cannot be accommodated on this trip. In addition, passengers who require assistance walking or who travel with oxygen tanks will not fully enjoy this trip and we strongly recommend a different tour.

Each guest is responsible for proper documentation and inoculations that may be required and/or recommended to participate on this tour. Please contact your local travel clinic or personal physician for specific details on the destinations you are traveling to and from.

Malaria pills are recommended when visiting Zimbabwe and Botswana. Consult your physician 2-3 weeks prior to departure.

If you are traveling with children under the age of 18, South Africa requires that those children must have documented consent from both parents when traveling into or out of the Republic. Please refer to www.home-affairs.gov.za for details of requirements.

Please check directly with the airline for the legal documentation that is required. It is the sole responsibility of the guest to procure the proper documentation to travel and many requirements vary by airline and destination.

A mandatory tourism levy of 30 USD is required for all travelers upon arrival at the port of entry of Botswana. This levy can be paid by cash or credit card. Fees are subject to change.

Please be aware that if your flight schedule is via Dubai or if you are stopping over in Dubai and are carrying narcotic drugs, controlled or semi-controlled drugs, then you will be required to complete an electronic form prior to entering the country, to obtain approval to carry medication. Please use the link http://www.mohap.gov.ae/en/services/Pages/361.aspx to view the guidelines. A user's guide is available to explain the application and the supporting documents required.

For guests transiting via Europe, an additional overnight flight will be required. Day rooms or overnight stays can be arranged for a cost upon request.

Due to tour scheduling, return flights from Johannesburg should not be scheduled prior to 6:30 p.m.
The internal flights on this program are not included in the land price of your tour. These flights need to be arranged and purchased separately, through us, if you arrange your own air. Internal flights are included with the air portion of your tour if you purchase air through us.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of $500 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Final payment due by August 06, 2019. Deposits are refundable up until March 06, 2019.

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Extend your vacation with

Optional 5 Days 3-Night Dubai Pre Tour Extension
Rate: $649.00 USD per person, double, land only, airfare is not included. The purchase of an additional air segment is required for this extension. Please inquire for air rate at time of booking.

4 Meals: 3 Breakfasts, 1 Dinner

Day 1: Overnight Flight
Your tour begins with an overnight flight to Dubai.

Day 2: Dubai, United Arab Emirates - Tour Begins
Today you arrive in Dubai, one of the world's most exciting destinations. The remainder of your day is at leisure to relax or explore this dynamic and cosmopolitan city independently. As one of the seven emirates of the United Arab Emirates, Dubai is considered the shopping capital of the Middle East. With its many world-famous man-made structures built in recent years, Dubai is a must-see destination for any traveler and will surely be an experience you will always remember.

Day 3: Dubai
Dubai is a city that provides a new setting at every turn. Richly mixing together the old and the new, it's a city of ages that rises out of the desert and crowns the gulf coast with its presence. This afternoon your route takes you to a magnificent view of Dubai Creek, passing by the heritage area of Bastakiya, with its fascinating old wind-towered houses built by wealthy merchants. Visit the 180-year-old Al Fahidi Fort which today houses the Dubai Museum. Continue your journey by abra – a traditional water taxi – across the creek. Stroll through the spice and gold souks, the colorful bazaar markets. On your way to Burj Al Arab – one of Dubai’s landmarks – make a photo stop at Jumeirah Mosque. Today breakfast will be included.

Day 4: Dubai
Your morning is at leisure. This afternoon your safari guide will take you into the golden sand dunes of Arabia on a 4-wheel drive vehicle. Experience the thrill of a lifetime while riding through the dunes. Enjoy a scenic sunset overlooking the desert. Continue to a Bedouin campsite where you can enjoy camel riding, Henna design, Arabic gava and a delicious barbecue dinner. During dinner watch as an enchanting belly dancer performs to Arabic rhythms. Today breakfast and dinner will be included.

Day 5: Dubai - Cape Town, South Africa
Today, board your flight* to Cape Town, South Africa. Today breakfast will be included.

Please Note:
During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times.
Single accommodations are extremely limited. Triple accommodations are not available.

Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request.

A minimum of 4 passengers is required for this extension to operate.

*The flight from Dubai to Cape Town, South Africa is not included in the land-only cost of your tour.

For US, UK, Australia and Canadian citizens, no advance visa arrangement is required to visit the UAE when your stay is less than 30 days. Simply disembark your flight at Dubai International Airport and proceed to Immigration where your passport will be stamped with a 30-day visit visa free of charge. Rates can be changed at any time based on governing authority.

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† Full credit is valid for your next tour when travel is completed within 12 months of the original trip. $100 of the credit remains valid for travel within 13-24 months. Credit expires 24 months after the original trip.