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# VICTORIA FALLS, KRUGER SAFARI, CAPE TOWN & CAPE WINELANDS TOUR

July - August 2024



## Overview

# Visualize your journey



# **Summary**

- 1) July 9 12: Ilala Lodge Hotel, Victoria Falls
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# Overview

# Itinerary at a glance

#### Jul 8

Upon arrival off your United Airlines flight, you are met in the Arrivals Terminal and assisted to your hotel on the Airport, your documents are handed over to you.

#### Jul 9

This morning you make your way to your flight to Victoria Falls. Upon arrival at Victoria Falls Airport, you are met and transferred to your hotel for your 3-night stay. There is time this afternoon to view the Falls.

# Jul 9 - 12

Victoria Falls Ilala Lodge Hotel 3 Nights

## Jul 10

Zambezi River Dinner Cruise On The Malachite

#### Julii

Chobe Daytrip View The Falls

# Jul 12

This morning is at leisure to catch a last glimpse of the Falls, until you are picked up from the hotel and transferred to Victoria Falls International Airport to catch your direct flight to Nelspruit. You are met at Nelspruit Airport and transferred to your country lodge in White River.

## Jul 12 - 13

White River Nut Grove Manor 1 Night

## Jul 13

This morning you are transferred from White River to your lodge in the Sabi Sand Reserve, part of the Greater Kruger National Park. You have time to settle in at your lodge before you set off on your afternoon game drive.

## Jul 13 - 16

Sabi Sand Game Reserve



# Overview

# Itinerary at a glance

Inyati Game Lodge 3 Nights

# Jul 16

After your morning game drive and breakfast, you check out of your lodge. You are transferred by road to Nelspruit Airport where you will check in for your flight to Cape Town. Upon arrival in Cape Town, you are met and transferred to your hotel on the V&A Waterfront for your 4-night stay.

Jul 16 - 20

Cape Town
The Commodore Hotel
4 Nights

Jul 17

Full Day Cape Point Tour

Jul 18

Half Day City & Table Mountain Tour

Jul 20

Cape Winelands Tour

Jul 20 - 22

Franschhoek Avondrood Guest House 2 Nights

Jul 21

Franschhoek Wine Tram

#### Jul 22

This morning after breakfast you check out of your hotel. You bid this African Wonderland Farewell as you are met and transferred to Cape Town Airport.



# July 9 - 12 | Victoria Falls



# Area Overview

The town of Victoria Falls lies on the southern banks of the Zambezi River at the western edge of the falls that it is named after. After David Livingstone set his eyes on the "smoke that thunders" in 1855, the settlement was later developed in 1901 when the possibility of using the waterfall for hydro-electric power was explored, and expanded when the railway from Bulawayo reached the town shortly before the Victoria Falls Bridge was opened in April 1905, connecting Southern Rhodesia (later Rhodesia; now Zimbabwe) to Northern Rhodesia (later Zambia).

Vic Falls, as it is affectionately abbreviated to, is known as the adventure capital of Africa, with any number of outdoor and adventure activities to choose from. As well as world-class white water rafting, there is one of the world's highest bungee jumps, skydiving, swing slides, helicopter rides and more.

Although the town is small, it has a vibrant feel to it with lots of craft shops, pop up craft breweries and cafes, and relies heavily on tourism.



# July 9 - 12 | Ilala Lodge Hotel



# Property Overview

Ilala Lodge Hotel is a family-run hotel that offers luxury and comfort in the heart of Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe. Nestled in attractive gardens, the well-appointed hotel is a mere eight minute walk from Victoria Falls, one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World. Ilala Lodge Hotel is ideally located and it is very easy for guests to access all the historical sites, restaurants and activities available in Victoria Falls. The friendly and attentive staff of this welcoming hotel makes sure that guests' visits are perfect in every way.

The award-winning Cassia Restaurant at Ilala Lodge Hotel is famous for its delicious gourmet cuisine and attracts guests worldwide. Diners can see the spray and hear the sounds of Victoria Falls, locally known as the "Smoke That Thunders," while they enjoy the al-fresco dining under the starry African skies that Cassia restaurant offers. Wild animals, such as warthog and impala, often graze on the hotel lawns and entertain guests during mealtime.

## Experience & Activities

Located on the Zimbabwean side of the mighty Zambezi River, Ilala Lodge Hotel is geographically the closest hotel to the magnificent Victoria Falls and is easily accessible to the town centre. Explore the lush wilderness surrounding the town on a game drive, surf the rapids on a Zambezi River white-water rafting expedition, bungee jump off the Victoria Falls Bridge, or view the Falls from the exhilarating angle of Devil's Pools on the edge of the plunging water.



# July 9 - 12 | Ilala Lodge Hotel

Guests can also enjoy a legendary Zimbabwean sunset from the comfort of the elegant Ra-Ikane river cruisers, part of the Ilala Lodge Hotel group.

#### Accommodations

#### Standard Room

The Twin Standard Rooms are complete with two comfortable <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> beds set within an expansive space, and an en-suite bathroom with a separate shower. The Double Standard Rooms are ideal for couples, as they have one cosy king-size bed and an en-suite bathroom with a separate shower.

#### Fast Facts

# Highlights

Amazing location - only 8 minute walk to Victoria Falls Great access to many different activities

## **Quick facts**

73 rooms, with many room/suite types
Complimentary wifi
Cruises available from the hotel





# Activity overview

Follow in the footsteps of David Livingstone and travel up the Zambezi River above the Falls on a sunset dinner cruise. You meet your driver in the reception area of your hotel and are transferred to the jetty. You board the Malachite. Like the exquisite Malachite Kingfisher after which it was named, the Malachite is one of the Zambezi River's crowning gems. On the upper deck, guests are offered a glass of sparkling wine to sip as they settle into the plush cushions.

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As afternoon fades into twilight, animals come down to the river to drink as you go by. The sun sets and is swallowed by the river, leaving pools of colour melting through the sky. Dinner, freshly prepared on board, is served on the lower deck. A barman and three intuitive waiters anticipate guests' needs, serving a selection of lively cocktails and imported premium spirits throughout their journey. Far removed from the glare of city lights and noise, the moon and stars shine brightly in the sky and an atmosphere of mystery and romance envelopes the evening's experience.

# July 11 | Chobe Day Trip | Suggested Activity

This full-day tour departs daily from Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, to the Chobe National Park in Botswana. You are collected from your hotel between 07h10 and 07h30 and are transferred to the Kazungula border where your Botswana Guide will meet you. From here you proceed straight to the River where you will spend the morning game viewing along the Chobe River. Tea, coffee & biscuits are provided.

The morning cruise ends at around 12h30 and you are then taken to a hotel on the riverbank for lunch. After lunch, you board safari vehicles for an afternoon game drive in the Chobe National Park where you will have the opportunity to enjoy an abundance of wildlife. After your game drive, you are taken back to the Kazungula Border where you will be met by your Zimbabwean Guide for your return transfer to Victoria Falls, arriving at approximately 18h30



# July 11 | View The Falls | Suggested Activity

# Activity overview

As you approach the Falls and hear the water pounding and witness the vapour rising, you quickly understand why local tribesman called the Falls "Mosi-oa-Tunya" (the smoke that thunders) and why the explorer David Livingstone exclaimed that a scene "so lovely must have been gazed upon by angels in their flight". The great columns of spray rising from the tumultuous falls can be seen from 80 kilometres away on a clear day. Because the Victoria Falls fall into a chasm, rather than falling down an escarpment, it is possible to walk along the opposite side of the chasm, at the same height as the top of the Falls.

From the unique walking trails the magnificence and glory of the Falls are head on and only about 60 metres (200 feet) away. The spray falls on the trails like soft rain, feeding the lush vegetation. If you are here between March and September, expect to get wet!



# July 12 - 13 | Nut Grove Manor



# Property Overview

Nut Grove Manor is located on a 2.3 hectare property on the outskirts of White River in Mpumalanga, South Africa. The original farm house was built in 1924 and bears testimony to the area's colonial history. The surrounding nut plantations and pasture create a charming country setting, although the property is conveniently close to shopping centres and quality amenities.

Nut Grove Manor offers both bed and breakfast and self-catering facilities, as well as a great on-site restaurant, situated along the canal that runs through the property with breathtaking views of the surrounding gardens and landscape.

The property is close to many Lowveld attractions like the Kruger National Park and world-class facilities like the Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport. Nut Grove Manor believes in personal service and attention to the little details that will make your stay unforgettable.



# July 12 - 13 | Nut Grove Manor

## Accommodations

# **Luxury Suites**

Luxury suites accommodate two guests and are individually furnished and decorated with a personal touch, and equipped with luxurious facilities. They offer air-conditioning, en-suite bathroom with shower and bath, flatscreen TV, hairdryer, international plug points, mini bar fridge, safety deposit box, spacious lounge area, tea & coffee station, and WiFi. The suites come with extra length Hollywood twin beds which can be configured as a king bed.

Nut Grove Manor offers accommodation to business and leisure travellers alike. Each of the ten suites has its own private entrance and are individually styled. All suites are furnished with faultless colonial furniture stylish décor items and are equipped with air-conditioning and heating. For those who prefer a light breeze, there are ceiling fans. Each suite has its own private entrance and a patio or secluded garden.

#### Fast Facts

## Highlights

Magnificent landscaped garden

Variety of nearby local attractions

#### **Quick facts**

Ten suites - accommodating either two or four guests

Swimming pool

Beloved Beauty Spa

On-site restaurant

Countless patios, pergolas and the swing, overlooking the natural beauty of White River

Jungle gym for kids

Air-conditioning

Hairdryer

International plug points

WiFi







## Area Overview

The Sabi Sand Game Reserve, named for the Sabie and Sand Rivers which flow through it, is renowned for its wildlife density and predator interactions; seldom will a visitor not see the Big Five. Although it shares a fenceless boundary with Kruger National Park, much of the wildlife in the Sabi Sand stays more or less in the reserve. Over the years, the animals have become used to the presence of safari vehicles, resulting in close encounters, particularly with the elusive leopards.

Roaming packs of African wild dogs, territorial lions, and large herds of elephants are also signature sightings. As well as having a consistently high density of wildlife, the reserve's conservation ethos keeps vehicle numbers to a minimum at wildlife sightings. This offers a more exclusive safari experience while ensuring the welfare of the habituated animals. Being in the private reserve generally affords more flexibility with opportunities to off-road, enjoy night drives and bush walks, all of which make visiting this area a truly unique experience.



# July 13 - 16 | Inyati Game Lodge



# Property Overview

Inyati Game Lodge is situated in the western sector of the Sabi Sand Wildtuin, which is a private game reserve sharing a common unfenced boundary with the Kruger National Park. It spans 50,000 hectares and is renowned for providing some of the best game viewing in Africa.

The reserve is not open to the general public. Each private lodge has exclusive traversing rights over their area. Inyati's rangers drive specially designed safari vehicles which are allowed off-road, ensuring guests get exclusive and intimate game viewing opportunities.

The reserve has a dense concentration of wildlife and is home to the Big 5 – elephant, lion, rhino, leopard and buffalo. Cheetah, giraffe, zebra, wild dogs and a vast variety of antelope and other species may also be closely observed, free roaming within their own territories. Inyati is one of the best places in the world to get up close and personal with the elusive leopard.

# Experience & Activities

At Inyati the days are designed to thrill guests with intimate wildlife encounters and the nights to delight with the indulgence and romance of the African night. Inyati offesr a range of activities from game drives and guided bush walks, to star gazing, fishing, workouts at the fully-equipped gym, swimming, young rangers' programmes and community tours.



# July 13 - 16 | Inyati Game Lodge

Inyati has been recognised by the Lilizela Tourism Awards for the best "Visitor's Experience Award for the Best Wildlife Encounters". Open game vehicles, which seat up to 10 guests, are driven by experienced rangers and insightful trackers. With over 9,000 hectares of traversing wilderness, no two game drives are ever the same.

#### Accommodations

## **Luxury Standard Chalet**

There are 4 standard luxury chalets with extra length king-sized beds and the remaining 4 standard luxury rooms all have comfortable twin beds. All beds are protected with high quality mosquito nets. Each air-conditioned chalet features en-suite bathroom with twin hand basins, separate bath, shower and toilet. Other facilities in each room include: a personal mini bar (filled upon request), tea/coffee making station, hairdryers, in-room safe, laundry (at an extra cost) and a telephone.

#### Fast Facts

#### **Highlights**

Set on the lush banks of the Sand River

Highly experienced and knowledgeable game rangers and trackers

Big Five game viewing with unrivalled sightings of the elusive leopard

#### **Quick facts**

11 luxury chalets

Maximum 25 guests on property

Air conditioned

Wifi in room

Boma

Swimming pool

Gym

Conference facilities

Children over the age of 8 are welcomed



# July 16 - 20 | Cape Town



## Area Overview

Cape Town is a true fan favorite, with its exciting Mediterranean vibe, amazing culinary scene, beautiful Cape Dutch architecture, thriving art community, and successful sports teams – all set to the backdrop of iconic Table Mountain and the turbulent waters of the Atlantic Ocean. It is no wonder it is called The Mother City. This vibrant, trendy city has broad appeal. Local attractions include Table Mountain, Robben Island, the V&A Waterfront, Bo-Kaap, boutique shops, numerous museums, wineries, and world famous restaurants. For those venturing beyond the city, the Cape Winelands and Cape Peninsula are a day trip away.

Cape Town's rich cultural heritage dates back more than 300 years and its diversity is evident in the city's architecture, art, and food. It is the second most populous city in South Africa and sits at the southwest tip of Africa.



# July 16 - 20 | The Commodore Hotel



# Property Overview

Located in the V&A Waterfront with views of Table Mountain, Robben Island, the Harbour and the Atlantic Ocean is The Commodore, Legacy's flagship hotel in Cape Town. Stylish living, quality service, and a tranquil setting have ensured that guests return time after time, be it as businessmen or tourists, excited to experience all that is The Mother City.

#### Accommodations

#### **Guest Rooms and Suites**

There are 233 rooms and suites, all with air conditioning, complimentary wifi, and ensuite bathrooms.

#### Fast Facts

## Highlights

Only 30-45 minutes from Cape Town international airport Sweeping views of Table Mountain, Cape Town Harbour and Robben Island

## **Quick facts**

233 rooms, with 3 wheelchair accessible rooms Wifi



# July 16 - 20 | The Commodore Hotel

Clipper restaurant

Cocktail bar & lounge

24 hour room service

Conference facilities for 150 delegates cinema style

Business centre

Spa and fitness centre

Undercover secure parking

# July 17 | Full Day Cape Point Tour | Included Tour

# Activity overview

You are collected from your hotel by a tour guide and taken on a drive along the Atlantic seaboard via glamorous Clifton to the quaint seaside village of Hout Bay. You continue via the scenic Chapman's Peak Drive to Cape Point. Looking at this dramatic promontory jutting into the sea gives one an idea why early sailors nicknamed it the Cape of Storms. You then follow the coastline northwards via Simonstown, where you visit the penguin colony of Boulders Beach. You also visit Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens, which is dedicated to the extraordinary variety of plants found in the Cape Floral Kingdom.

A leisurely drive through the leafy southern suburbs brings you back to the city bowl in the late afternoon.



# July 18 | Half Day City & Table Mountain Tour | Included Tour

# Activity overview

A tour guide takes you on a city tour of one of the world's most beautiful cities. You will visit the historic Castle and the Bo-Kaap Malay Quarter with its narrow cobbled streets and colourful mosques. You will also visit District Six, site of forced removals during the Apartheid era. You view the Houses of Parliament, the City Hall and the Slave Lodge and will enjoy a walk through the Company Gardens. Weather-permitting, you will ride the cable car up Table Mountain to enjoy the view over Cape Town and across Table Bay to Robben Island. If the weather is inclement, you will be taken on a scenic drive up Signal Hill.

You are returned to your hotel after the tour.

# July 20 | Cape Winelands Tour | Included Tour

# Activity overview

You are collected from your guest house for a tour of the Cape Winelands. While South Africa's fertile valleys are world famous for their crisp white and classic French-style red wines, the area is also a treasure of rustic beauty and sprawling estates shaded by giant oak trees. The tour today will include highlights of the country's principal wine routes of Paarl, Stellenbosch and Franschhoek, with a stop en-route for lunch (own account)

The day starts with a visit to Paarl, known for its beauty, rolling vineyards and the Pearl of Paarl set high about the valley. Paarl made headlines when former President Mandela was released from the prison on the outskirts of the town. You enjoy a wine, cheese and cellar tour at one of the local estates.

Continue north-west to the beautiful village of Franschhoek, near the Drakenstain mountains, founded in 1688 by French immigrants fleeing the Huguenot religious persecution in Europe. Stop for lunch and wine tasting at a vineyard. Next is Stellenbosch, the 2nd oldest town in South Africa for a final tasting

You are returned to your guest house or hotel after the tour. \*Note that schedule may change



# July 20 - 22 | Franschhoek



#### Area Overview

Located about 75 km (45 mi) east of Cape Town, Franschhoek is one of the oldest towns in South Africa. French Huguenot settlers first arrived in the late 1600s and began what has become a thriving agricultural industry focused primarily on winemaking. Much of the traditional Cape Dutch architecture has been preserved, making this one of South Africa's prettiest places to visit, not only for the classic churches and farmhouses but also for its breathtaking landscapes. The town itself is situated in a picturesque valley nestled at the foot of imposing surrounding mountain ranges.

The main road is lined with art galleries, boutiques and small shops selling freshly baked goods, charcuterie, olive oil, jam, artisanal chocolate and, of course, wine. Also, some of the country's top restaurants and most reknowned wineries are here.

A variety of quaint boutique wineries and large cellars offer guided tours and tastings, which can be visited aboard the famous Franschhoek Wine Tram. For those seeking outdoor adventures, there are a number of scenic walking trails in the surrounding mountains, particularly in the Mont Rochelle Nature Reserve and around the Berg River. Other activities include cycling, horseback riding, polo, and golf.



# July 20 - 22 | Avondrood Guest House



# Property Overview

This picturesque guest house is just an hour's drive from Cape Town, situated in the peaceful winelands country also known as the Franschhoek Valley. Avondrood's original Victorian Cape-Dutch home offers guests a beautiful stay with a rich historical feel of French Huguenot culture combined with all of the modern luxuries and amenities guests desire.

Indulge in luxurious comfort with their range of 8 thoughtfully designed rooms at Avondrood. Each room features an extra-length king-size bed and a spacious en-suite bathroom, complete with underfloor heating, large Victorian baths, and separate showers.

Just a short stroll down the road you will find the main village of Franschhoek with world-renowned restaurants, charming gift shops, cafes, and magnificent historical buildings and museums to explore. Rest and relax, and stay in and enjoy the tranquil gardens at Avondrood. Private and scenic, the gardens surround a large pool and outdoor breakfast veranda which boasts views of the mountains. Inside the main house guests can relish in the spacious lounge next to the grand fireplace or settle with a favorite cocktail at the fully stocked bar and watch the game.



# July 20 - 22 Avondrood Guest House

## Accommodations

#### **Deluxe Room**

The Deluxe Old Village Room is a charming entry-level accommodation with original high wooden ceilings and abundant character. Located in the main house, the room offers easy access to the garden and pool through a front door. Please note that this room does not have a bathtub.

#### Fast Facts

## Highlights

Authentic Victorian Cape Dutch home Situated in the peaceful Winelands country Walking distance to the village of Franschhoek Private and scenic gardens surround a large pool

# **Quick facts**

8 room & suites

Breakfast

Bar

Lounge

Terrace

Gardens

Pool

Air conditioning

Wifi



# July 21 | Franschhoek Wine Tram | Suggested Tour

# Activity overview

The Franschhoek Wine Tram hop-on hop-off tour is one of the best ways to discover the true essence of the Franschhoek Valley – picturesque vineyards, breath-taking scenery, warm hospitality, world-class cuisine, fine wines and a 300 year history. Passengers aboard the hop-on hop-off tour will experience a unique and leisurely way to see the Franschhoek Valley as they journey through rolling vineyards in an open-side tram and open-air tram-bus stopping in at some of South Africa's oldest and most distinguished wine estates.

A combination of tram and tram-bus transports passengers around a loop of stops allowing them to hop-off at each stop and experience the activities on offer, be it wine tasting, a cellar tour, lunch or simply a stroll through the vineyards and when they are ready, hop-on to continue the tour. The tour takes passengers right into the heart of the Franschhoek Valley, with a narration focusing on the history of Franschhoek and wine cultivation in the valley, complimentary wine tastings and unparalleled views of the valley and vineyards.



# Costs

#### **Notes:**

#### **Tour Pricing**

# July 2024 | Price per person ZAR 86,350 PLUS US\$ 920

- \* Please add the Rand Amount Per Person and the Dollar amount Per Person to get the Total Amount per person
- \*\* Cost of internal flights included in the tour is an approximate price and is subject to rates and availability at the time of booking

#### This cost includes:

## Victoria Falls

- Road transfer from Victoria Falls Airport to hotel
- 3 nights at Victoria Falls
- Ilala Lodge in a standard room on a bed & breakfast basis
- Sunset Dinner Cruise (includes return transfers, 4 course dinner but excludes drinks)
- Road Transfer to and from hotel to Victoria Falls Airport

#### White River

- Road transfer from Nelspruit Airport to White River Lodge
- I night in White River
- Nut Grove Manor in a luxury room on a bed & breakfast basis
- Road Transfer from lodge to Sabi Sand Game Reserve

#### Kruger Safari

- 3 nights on safari in the Sabi Sand Game Reserve
- Conservation/gate and vehicle fees
- Inyati Game Lodge in a suite on an All-Inclusive Basis (Includes three meals per day, teas & coffees, selected spirits, house wines, local beers and soft drinks, All park fees and two game drives daily and optional bush walk/ excludes premium bar purchases)
- Road transfer from Sabi Lodge to Hoedspruit Airport



## Costs

## Cape Town

- Road transfer from Cape Town to hotel
- 4 nights in Cape Town
- Commodore Hotel in a standard room on a bed & breakfast basis
- Half-Day scheduled City & Table Mountain Tour (includes entrance fees but excludes cable fare as this is weather dependant and excludes lunch)
- Full Day scheduled Cape Point Tour (includes entrance fees but excludes funicular and lunch)
- Full Day scheduled Cape Winelands Tour (includes entrance fees and 4 wine tastings but excludes lunch) transfer to hotel in Franschhoek after Cape Winelands Tour

#### Franschhoek

- 2 nights in Franschhoek
- Avondrood Guest House in a luxury room on a bed & breakfast basis (includes free mini bar)
- Road transfer from hotel to Cape Town Airport

#### This cost does not include:

- o All flights (International)
- o Visas
- o All meals not specified above
- o Optional/Suggested Activities
- o Personal items, tipping, personal refreshments and extras