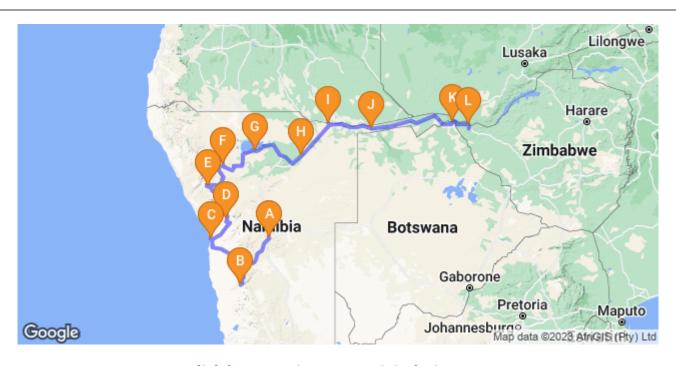


# 17 Days Trail Safari in Namibia, Botswana and Vic Falls (Lodging & Camping)



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### Introduction

This 17-days Safari tour is in Namibia, Botswana and Zimbabwe which starts from Windhoek, Namibia and Ends in Zimbabwe, Victoria Falls, this is a comfort tour that brings you spectacular wildlife viewing in Namibia and Botswana along the watery channels of the Okavango Delta. You will also do a river cruise along the Chobe, and enjoy close encounters with hippo, giraffe, and many other animals that you might not have seen before. This exclusive tour ends in Zimbabwe's Victoria Falls town, where you can see one of the Seven Wonders of the World Mighty waterfalls

#### Overview

• • DEPARTURE: This tour departs from Windhoek

• • COUNTRY ('S): Namibia, Botswana and Zimbabwe (VicFalls)

• • TOUR CODE: 17AC-WD-NAM-BOT-ZIM

• • RETURN: To Victoria Falls Airport

• • PASSENGERS: Minimum 1 Traveler and a Maximum of 24 Travelers per group

• • STYLE: Accommodation and Camping

• • MEALS: BB: Breakfast and D: Dinner

• • VEHICLE: 2-3: Double Cab 4x4/ SUV

4 - 7 guests: Toyota Quantum/Landcruiser with a purpose-built trailer

8-14 guests: Toyota Dyna truck (a modified safari vehicle) / Iveco Daily 24-Seater

Start	Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Day 1	Arebbusch Travel Lodge	Windhoek	D,B&B	1 Night
Day 2	Sesriem Campsite	Sossusvlei	D,B&B	2 Nights
Day 4	Atlantic Villa	Swakopmund	В&В	2 Nights
Day 6	Spitzkoppe Campsites	Spitzkoppe	D,B&B	1 Night
Day 7	Desert Elephant Camping	Damaraland	D,B&B	1 Night
Day 8	Otjitotongwe Cheetah Guest Farm	Kamanjab	D,B&B	1 Night
Day 9	Halali Campsite	Etosha National Park	D,B&B	2 Nights
Day 11	Roy's Rest Camp	Grootfontein	D,B&B	1 Night
Day 12	Hakusembe River Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia	Rundu	D,B&B	1 Night
Day 13	Nunda River Lodge	Divundu	В&В	1 Night
Day 14	Chobe River Lodge	Kasane	D,B&B	1 Night

Day 15	Shearwater Explorers Village	Victoria Falls	D,B&B	2 Nights
		(Zimbabwe)		

#### Key

B&B: Bed and Breakfast

D,B&B: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

FB: Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

#### Included

Qualified professional driver guide Vehicle / fuel Park entrance fees as per itinerary Passenger liability 15% VAT 2% tourism levy Airport transfers Accommodation Breakfast and Dinner for the Client

#### **Excluded**

Expenses of personal nature Entrance fees not mentioned in the itinerary Meals not mentioned Drinks at lodges and on road Optional excursions and activities Tips for tour guides International flights and airport taxes Items not mentioned in the itinerary

# Day 1: Airport to Windhoek 7.6km

## Accommodation: Arebbusch Travel Lodge / Similar

Guest will be picked up at the airport and depart to Windhoek and will be picked up by the tour guide after lunch to go on a Windhoek Township tour if they arrive early In Windhoek and if times permits otherwise they will do the city tour the next morning before departing to the Dunes. Windhoek is situated in Central Namibia; the cosmopolitan city of Windhoek serves as the capital of the country. It is home to an international airport and a plethora of restaurants, shops, entertainment venues and accommodation options. The city is clean, safe and well-organised, with a colonial legacy that is reflected in its many German eateries and shops, and the widespread use of the German language.

Meals: Dinner

Included Activities: Township Tour, Money Exchange

#### **Arebbusch Travel Lodge, Windhoek**



Situated in Central Namibia, the cosmopolitan city of Windhoek serves as the capital of the country. It is home to an international airport and a plethora of restaurants, shops, entertainment venues and accommodation options. The city is clean, safe and well-organised, with a colonial legacy that is reflected in its many German eateries and shops, and the widespread use of the German language. Windhoek has an interesting mix of historical architecture and

modern buildings, many of which are worth a look, including the Alte Feste an old fort, the 1896 Christuskirche Christ Church, and the more contemporary Supreme Court.



#### **Overnight: Arebbusch Travel Lodge**

Located in Windhoek, Arebbusch Travel Lodge offers comfortable accommodation in a beautiful natural setting.



# Day 2- Windhoek to Sossusvlei (392.7.km)

## **Accommodation: Sesriem Campsite or Similar**

Guest will Depart around 09:00-09:30 to Sossusvlei area. Along the way clients will stop at Rehoboth where the guide will buy snacks for 45 minutes and this is an opportunity for guest to get some snacks as well and drinks for the road.

Guest can lunch at 12h00-13h00 along the road by a rest place or else if they can wait have lunch at Solitaire and have a taste of the magnificent apple pie. After arrival guest will have leisure time before going on a Sundowner drive to Elim dune around 17h30 or 18h00.

Meals: Dinner

Included Activity: Sundowner at Elim Dune

## Day 3 – Sossuvlei / Sesriem Area

## **Accommodation: Sesriem Campsite or Similar**

Guest will wake up and have breakfast before going into the park for Sossuvlei Excursion which includes Dune 45, Deadvlei, Hiddenvlei, and Big Daddy. The tour guide will have regular stops to let clients take pictures and have some exposure of the Dunes. Guest will be back around lunch time and will have some leisure time for themselves at the pool.

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Included Activity: Sossuvlei Excursion ( Deadvlei, Dune 45, Big Daddy, Sesriem Canyon, Hiddenvlei, )

Sesriem Campsite, Sossusvlei



Located in the scenic Namib-Naukluft National Park, Sossusvlei is where you will find the iconic red sand dunes of the Namib.

#### **Overnight: Sesriem Campsite**

At the entry to Sossusvlei is Sesriem Canyon, at the foot of the gorge, which plunges down to 30 to 40 m, are pools that become replenished after good rains. Located perfectly at the entry to Sossusvlei inside the park gate is Sesriem Camping, right beside the gate into the desert and just a short drive from Sesriem Canyon where centuries of erosion have incised a narrow gorge about 1 km in length.

It is perfect for campers who want to experience the beauty of the Namib Desert with the sun setting over the Elim dune then the stars emerging until they fill the sky above you and the clicking of the desert barking Geckos and distant howl of the Jackal. Sit by the fire and imagine what you will.

After a good night's rest its up early (one hour before sunrise) for a drive to the sossusvlei wherer you can climb a sand dune and watch the colours change as the sun rises over the horizon slipping its morning warmth over the Namib desert dunes. Sesriem derives its name from the time when earlier pioneers tied six lengths of rawhide thongs (riem) together to draw water from the pools. Accommodation at Sesriem is provided in 24 campsites. Facilities found there include a gas station, convenience store and a secure parking area.



# <u>Day 4: Sossusvlei to Swakopmund (402.6km)</u> <u>Accommodation: Atlantic Villa, Swakopmund / Similar</u>

Guest depart to Swakopmund early morning at around 09:00 am from Sossusvlei. It's about 4.5 hours' drive to Swakopmund and along the way past Tropic of Capricorn. Once clients have arrived in Walvis Bay they will buy lunch, visit the Flamingo Lagoon and depart to Swakopmund, When Clients arrive in Swakopmund they will check in and be taken by the guide for their activity (Quad biking and Sandboard) which is about 2-hours activity. After the activity clients will go freshen up for dinner at a Restaurant

Meals: Breakfast

Activities Included: 2-Hour Quad Biking and Sand-Boarding ,Township tour

# <u>Day 5: Swakopmund</u> <u>Accommodation: Atlantic Villa, Swakopmund / Similar</u>

After breakfast guest will have a Township tour of Swakopmund and visit the Musuem for the antient history of how Swakopmund was a trade town and how it played an important part in import and export of war machinery in WW2. In the afternoon client will have leaure time and those who would like to do boatcruises or Living desert tour to spot desert animals can book this tours optionally. By 17h30 clients will get ready for Dinner at Tuk Restaurant on availability.

Meals: Breakfast

Activities Included: 2-Hour Quad Biking and Sand-Boarding, Township tour

Optional Excluded activities: Living Dunes Experience from Swakopmund; Scenic Desert Tour, Sky

diving



Set along Namibia's spectacularly scenic coast, the seaside town of Swakopmund is known for its wide-open avenues, colonial architecture, and its surrounding otherworldly desert terrain..

#### Overnight: Atlantic Villa View iBrochure

Exceeding your expectations! Situated within sight and sound of the mesmerizing Atlantic Ocean, a few minutes from the town centre in a prime area of Swakopmund, the Atlantic Villa offers elegantly appointed, luxurious accommodation in a quiet and relaxed atmosphere. The guesthouse provides modern conferencing facilities and spacious event venues.

Enjoying a relaxed few days of sun and sea has never been so great. At the Atlantic Villa Boutique Guesthouse, you'll soon feel pampered while relaxing with a mesmerising view of the Atlantic Ocean.





# <u>Day 6 Swakopmund To Spitzkoppe 155.20km</u> <u>Accommodation: Spitzkoppe Campsites/ Similar</u>

After breakfast client will depart to Spitzkoppe but along the way make a turn at Henties bay to see the deserted Shipwrek and then go onto Cape Cross to visit one of the largest seal colonies in the world of about 200 000 seals. Then we head on to Spitzkoppe. Although Spitzkoppe, at 1,800 meters above sea level, is not the highest mountain in Namibia, it is because of its astounding silhouette that it is the country's most famous mountain.

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

**Included Activity: Rock Climbing** 

### Spitzkoppe Campsites, Spitzkoppe



Situated in Namibia's desolate, awe-inspiring Namib Desert, between Usakos and Swakopmund and about two hours' drive from Swakopmund, the Spitzkoppe are a group of bald granite peaks forming one of Namibia's most recognizable and dramatic landmarks.

#### **Overnight: Spitzkoppe Campsites**

A mountain oasis in the Namib desert, Spitzkoppe Campsites is nestled amidst oversized boulders and secret caves, with the majestic Namibian "Matterhorn" as a backdrop. The property is home to 31 campsites that can accommodate a maximum of 8 guests per site. There are bathrooms available near the campsite, while hot showers are near the reception. The camp is a wonderful base for travellers wishing to enjoy outdoor activities such as climbing, hiking, birding and stargazing.



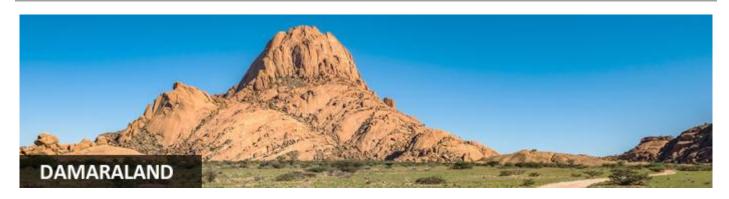
# <u>Day 7 Spitzkoppe To Damaraland 224.06km</u> <u>Accommodation: Desert Elephant Camping, Damaraland / Similar</u>

Guest will have breakfast and take off to Twyfelfontain they we will admire the rock drawings of the Bushmen. Twyfelfontein is famous because of its many rock paintings and rock engravings (Petroglyphs) of the San (Bushmen) of which 2500 were counted. Specifications about the age of the engravings fluctuate and a period of 1000 – 10000 years is stated. Remarkable is that the engravings were made without the use of metal tools. It is presumed that quartz tools were used instead as many quartz chips were found here.

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

**Included Activity:** Rock painting and Star Gazing

#### **Desert Elephant Camping, Damaraland**



This vast desert landscape is known as one of the most beautiful regions in Namibia. Huge, untamed and ruggedly beautiful, Damaraland is an exceptionally scenic landscape featuring open plains, ancient valleys and spectacular rock formations.

#### **Overnight: Desert Elephant Camping**

Desert Elephant Camping is a lovely campsite situated in Namibia's World Heritage Site of Twyfelfontein. Guests may enjoy activities in the surrounding areas, including scenic game drives, guided bike rides and guided nature walks. Each camping site is well-shaded and features a kitchen area with electricity and a fireplace. Guests may also enjoy free Wi-Fi at the bar, a splash pool and a curio shop.



# <u>Day 8: Twyfelfontain To Kamanjab</u> <u>Accommodation: Otjitotongwe Cheetah Guest Farm, Kamanjab/ Similar</u>

Clients will grab early breakfast and depart to Kamanjab and Along the way, villages of the Herero people will appear and they will be decorated by women in Victorian dresses and headscarves braided to form cow

horns - the Herero symbol. We will spend the night at a farm in Otjitotongwe - a cheetah sanctuary. Namibia is home to most of these beautiful cats, of which there are very few left in the world. Attempts to save this species in Namibia have been successful and within 10 years the population has increased by almost 30%. Watching cheetahs while feeding

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Included Activities: Hereros Culture and Cheetah Santuary

### Otjitotongwe Cheetah Guest Farm, Kamanjab



Fringing the western edge of Etosha, Kamanjab is situated in the Kunene Region. It serves as an excellent base for visitors looking for adventure in the surrounding area.

#### Overnight: Otjitotongwe Cheetah Guest Farm

Otjitotongwe Cheetah Farm and Cheetah Park is home to the Save the Cheetah project and the farm has both tame and wild cheetahs. The name - Otjitotongwe - is derived from Oshiherero a native language in Namibia.

Guests can view the feeding of cheetahs, ensuring superb photographic opportunities.

Further unusual features that the lodge offers is indegenous plants, Fokea multiflora, Python Vines. Stromatolites (fossils algae), 600 - 700 million years old. These algae grow in a warm, shallow sea that once covered northern Namibia.

The bungalows as well as the campsites are surrounded by a wonderful bush landscape and the guests will feel at home with the cheetahs close by.



# <u>Day 9- Kamanjab to Etosha National Park 248.85km</u> Accommodation: Halali Campsite, Etosha National Park / Similar

Clients will depart in the morning after breakfast to Etosha and will stop along the way to visit a village inhabited by the Himba ethnic group, after lunch if time permits the clients will have an afternoon game

drive in Etosha. Depending on how often you stop today, on entering the park, the first stop would be Okaukuejo where you pay your entry fee and I suggest you pop in at the local shop to purchase some drinks and snacks and most importantly, a map of Etosha which will show you all the waterholes along the way. Etosha has lions, giraffes, rhinos, zebras, springbok and elephants. This on top of many lesser and common plains herds, and abundant birds makes game viewing in Etosha.

**Meals included:** Breakfast and Dinner **Included Activities:** Afternoon Game Drive

## Day 10- Etosha National Park Area

## Accommodation: Halali Campsite, Etosha National Park /Similar

Clients will take early breakfast and then go on the Full day game drive and around 12h00 -13h00 clients will have lunch inside the park and continue with the game drive up till the afternoon and after the game drive guest will have leisure time to enjoy the atmosphere before dinner.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Included Activity: Full day Game Drive

#### Halali Campsite, Etosha National Park



Situated in northwestern Namibia, the Etosha National Park offers a premier game viewing experience. The park's diverse vegetation ranges from dense bush to open plains attracting a variety of wildlife.

#### **Overnight: Halali Campsite**

In an otherwise flat area Halali Campsite is perched between a few hills and koppies. Thicker vegetation makes this popular with leopard, rhino and elephant. Situated halfway between Namutoni and Okaukuejo, the Halali Campsite is centrally located in close proximity of some of the most popular waterholes of the Etosha National Park. A short walk will take you to the camp's floodlit waterhole with excellent day and night game viewing.

'Halali' is the German word for the traditional ending of a hunt. The campsite signifies the end of game hunting and the rise of eco-tourism in Namibia. Halali offers active guests the largest pool in the park and its strategic location between Namutoni and Okaukuejo makes it a great stopover for lunch, ice cream, a cool drink or just petrol.



# <u>Day 11: Etosha To Grootfontein 295.61km</u> <u>Accommodation: Roy's Rest Camp, Grootfontein</u>

Clients will grab early breakfast and depart to Grootfontein (meaning 'Big Fountain') is famous for being home to the largest meteorite ever discovered on earth (located roughly 25 kilometres from the town centre). Along the way clients will make a stop at Tsumeb for some shopping and visit the bushmen village

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Included Activities: Visit to Hoba meteorite and Bushman Village

Roy's Rest Camp, Grootfontein



Other must-see attractions include the fascinating Grootfontein Museum, and the Abenab and Berg Aukas Mines. From here, a fantastic network of hiking and biking trails lead into the wild.

#### **Overnight: Roy's Rest Camp**

Roy's Rest Camp is a small part of the farm Elandslaagte. The camp was started in 1995 and was built for cattle farming and tourism as the main industries. Elandslaagte is one of the older farms in the district of Grootfontein, and has been in operation since 1930. Roy's Camp is situated on the main road from Grootfontein to Rundu, 55 km north of Grootfontein. It is an ideal stopover from northern Namibia to Caprivi and bushman land. There are 5 standard rooms and 2 family rooms all with en suite facilities and private braai areas. The camp bungalows are of a unique rustic design. All rooms have air conditioning and mosquito nets. There are also 16 campsites with braai facilities and hot water.



## Day 12: Grootfontein To Rundu 207.02km

# <u>Accommodation:</u> <u>Hakusembe River Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia,</u> <u>Rundu / Similar</u>

Clients will get morning Breakfast and depart to Rundu which is Bordering Angola, on the banks of the Okavango River in northern Namibia, the town of Rundu serves as the capital of the eastern Kavango region. Rundu is renowned for its local woodcarvers market and is filled with impressive woodcarvers' workshops. Guest will go on a trip on traditional mokoro boats in search of hippos and crocodiles.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Included Activity: Mokoro Boatcruise

## Hakusembe River Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia, Rundu



The town provides a great stopover to refuel for visitors heading to Katima Mulilo, enthralling Popa Falls, or Mahangu Game Reserve, home to the endangered wild dog and lion, leopard, elephant, cheetah, and hippo...

#### Overnight: Hakusembe River Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia View iBrochure

A lush green oasis on the banks of the Okavango River. Absorb river peace from one of the 20 chalets, hop aboard the Hakusembe River Queen, stroll to the cultural village or just relax on the deck listening to the soft symphony of feathered friends.

Location: approximately 6 km west of Rundu on the B 10 (Okavango).



## **Day 13: Rundu To Divundu**

## Accommodation: Nunda River Lodge, Divundu/ Similar

Early Breakfast and then depart to The Okavango River .A visit to the Mahango Game Reserve Park, where, apart from animals, we will see huge baobabs. Today's episode is not too long and we should be there in the early afternoon. The whole road leads through Caprivi and the area of the Bwabata National Park. The route is decorated with road signs "beware of elephants". This is the route of the largest population of elephants migrating from Chobe to Zambezi.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Included Activity: Game Drive

## Nunda River Lodge, Divundu



Set roughly 200 kilometres east of Rundu on the southeastern banks of the great Okavango River, the small village of Divundu is a wonderful destination from which to explore the river, game parks and national reserves of the area.

#### **Overnight: Nunda River Lodge**

Nunda River Lodge is situated on the banks of the Kavango River in the lush region of the Caprivi in the north-east of Namibia. It is an ideal base to explore this area as it is close to both Popa Falls and Mahango National Park. Activities include game drives into the park, boat cruises on the Kavango, fishing, mokoro canoe trips and guided walks to a nearby traditional village.



## Day 13: Divundu To Kasane 429.86km

## Accommodation: Chobe River Lodge, Kasane / Similar

Clients afterbreakfast will be Crossing the border with Botswana and reach Kasane - the largest town in this region with a slight architectural chaos characteristic of Botswana. The area has the largest concentration of elephants in the world. Elephant migrations take place very close to the city limits. On the access road, be very careful because huge herds like to run across the main road.

In Kasane, we will go on a boat trip on the Chobe River. During the cruise we will observe many wild animals.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Included Activities: Boatcruise

## Chobe River Lodge, Kasane



Tucked away in the northeastern corner of Botswana, on the banks of the famous Chobe River, the scenic little town of Kasane rests on the doorstep of the spectacular Chobe National Park. There are no boundary fences separating the village from the park and game such as elephant and hippo are often spotted roaming around the town. If on the lookout for elusive game, pay a visit to the Sedudu Valley Road, where large dead trees provide temporary homes for leopards. Within Kasane, an ancient baobab tree stands on display, once serving as a local prison. Visitors can look forward to a multitude of activities including: enjoying a game drive through the park, taking a sunset cruise down the Chobe River, visiting a local village or jumping on a day trip to the breathtaking Victoria Falls.

#### Overnight: Chobe River Lodge View iBrochure

Chobe River Lodge is located in the small town of Kasane, on the Chobe River in Northern Botswana. The lodge is five minutes by boat from the Chobe National Park and approximately eight minutes by vehicle.

There are many fine Lodges in Kasane, however most have over a hundred rooms, Chobe River Lodge has twelve. Very personal service - we do our own activities - we have our private jetty.

Chobe River Lodge, a four star lodge with five star commitment.



# Day 14: Chobe To Victoria Falls 97 km

## Accommodation: Shearwater Explorers Village, Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe)

Clients will depart from chobe to Victoria Falls which is in the largest water Fall in the world Resting on the southern banks of the Zambezi River at the western end of the eponymous falls, this popular tourist town is compact enough to walk around and makes an ideal base for travellers exploring the seventh wonder of the world, the unfathomably vast Victoria Falls. After arrival clients will go on the game drive and get back for dinner.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Included Activity: African Arts, Crafts & Cultural centre

## Day 15: Victoria Falls area

Clients will have early breakfast and have a visit to Victoria falls where they will have the guided tour for 3 hours and walk anout 3.8km with our guide getting all the historical information of Victoria Falls and all its formations.

**Meals:** Breakfast and Dinner

Included Activity: Visit to Victoria Fall-Walking Tour

## Shearwater Explorers Village, Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe)



Victoria Falls is one of the world's most impressive waterfalls. It is set on the magnificent Zambezi River which creates the border between Zambia and Zimbabwe. These spectacular falls can be easily visited and viewed from the Zimbabwean side. Considered to be the world's widest waterfalls, Victoria Falls measures an impressive 1708 metres in width. The small town of Victoria Falls, which lies adjacent to the waterfalls, serves as a great base from which to explore the many attractions this area of Zimbabwe has to offer. The surrounding area provides a wide range of adrenalin-filled activities for adventure lovers. Visitors can look forward to an array of wonderful activities including: scenic flights, micro lighting, white water rafting, bungee jumping, kayaking, and once-in-a-lifetime expeditions into the incredible Chobe National Park.

#### Overnight: Shearwater Explorers Village View iBrochure

Shearwater Explorers Village is a lodge located in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, close to Victoria Falls and Curio Shops and Creature World. Surrounded by indigenous vegetation and wildlife, the accommodation features a range of standard and deluxe rooms as well as camping facilities. Rooms are equipped with air conditioning, a mosquito net, an ensuite bathroom and Wi-Fi. The camp facilities feature communal ablutions, showers and a kitchen area. Guests may enjoy a tasty meal and refreshing drink at the on-site restaurant.



# <u>Day 16: Shearwater Explorers Village, Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe) to Victoria Falls Airport 20km</u>

Clients will refresh in the morning and have breakfast and continue to do more exciting activities. On this second day, it's time for additional attractions - rafting on the Zambezi, canoeing, scenic flights over Victoria Falls or bungy jumping from the bridge connecting Zambia with Zimbabwe deep into the canyon at the bottom of which the frothy waters of the Zambezi rush or watching the Victoria Falls from the Zambian side

Included Activity: Zambezi Boatcruise 2 hours

# **Day 17: After Breakfast Clients depart to Livingstone Airport**

# **End of Itinerary**