

Virtuoso's Hosted Tours by Collette presents...

Wilderness of Southern Africa: Safari by Land & Water

with Optional 4-Night Cape Town Post Tour Extension

November 30 – December 14, 2024

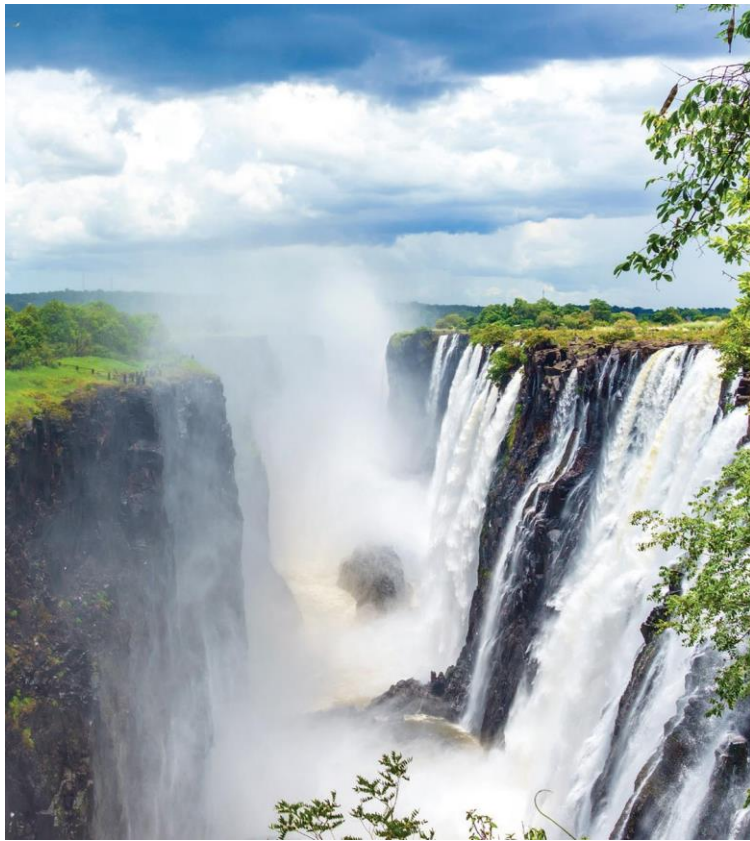


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SPECIALISTS IN THE ART OF TRAVEL



Small Group Travel rewards travelers with new perspectives. With just 12-20 passengers, these are the personal adventures that today's cultural explorers dream of.

15 Days • 34 Meals: 13 Breakfasts, 10 Lunches,
11 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Chobe National Park, 3 Cruises on the Chobe River, Hwange National Park, Choice on Tour: Morning Game Drive or Game Walk, Private Lake Kariba Safari Boat, Victoria Falls, 7 Game Drives & Game Cruises, Home Hosted Meal

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Day 2	Radisson Hotel & Convention Centre, OR Tambo, Johannesburg
Days 3 – 5	Chobe Bush Lodge, Kasane
Days 6 – 8	Iganyana Tented Camp, Hwange
Days 9 – 11	Zambezi Cruise & Safaris, Harare
Days 12 – 14	Ilala Lodge, Victoria Falls

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

VIRTUOSO EXCLUSIVE amenity PER PERSON

\$100 credit toward
Economy Air or
Premium Economy /
\$250 credit toward
Business-Class Air

or

\$100 credit toward
tour add-ons
(anything beyond
land package and
waiver; including
pre/post nights,
pre/post tour
extensions, optional
excursions, etc.)

*These are combinable with any other offer in market.

**If land only and no pre/post or option purchase, the \$100 does not get credited towards anything else.

Day 1: Saturday, November 30, 2024 Overnight Flight You're on your way to southern Africa, where your search for wildlife will take you from grasslands and dry woodlands to rivers and lakes.

Day 2: Sunday, December 1, 2024 Johannesburg, South Africa - Tour Begins Welcome to Johannesburg, South Africa's largest city! This afternoon, transfer to your hotel for the evening and enjoy a relaxing evening before your adventure in search of the Big 5 begins.

Day 3: Monday, December 2, 2024 Johannesburg - Victoria Falls, ZW - Chobe National Park, Botswana This morning, board a plane for a short flight to Victoria Falls,* where you will meet your Tour Manager before continuing to your lodge for the next three nights in Botswana. Enjoy some time at leisure at the lodge before embarking on a private cruise on the Chobe River. Perhaps you'll see some hippopotamuses or crocodiles while you scan the water and sip on cool beverages. After, return to the lodge and gather with your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (B, D)

Day 4: Tuesday, December 3, 2024 Chobe National Park Rise early with the sounds of the local wildlife ahead of your first game drive in Chobe National Park, an excellent location to search for the Big 5. You and your fellow travelers will ride in open-air vehicles with a local expert who will be able to tell you all about the creatures you'll see along the way. Later in the morning, enjoy some free time, either at the lodge or to drive into the nearby town of Kasane. After lunch at the lodge, return to your private boat and take to the waters of the Chobe River once more, in search of elephants and aquatic birds. Finish your day with a cocktail reception at your lodge & share your safari tales. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Wednesday, December 4, 2024 Chobe National Park Start your day early with a private game cruise on the Chobe River and see the animals visiting the water first thing in the morning. After your search, return for some free time at the lodge, perhaps relaxing at the pool or stopping by their beauty salon. After lunch this afternoon, enjoy a game drive in Chobe National Park, where you may spot buffalo, hyenas, or zebras. Later, enjoy a dinner cruise along the gentle waters of the Chobe River during an exclusive boat ride with your fellow travelers. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Thursday, December 5, 2024 Chobe National Park - Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe - Hwange National Park Enjoy your last game drive in Chobe National Park for a final opportunity to see nature at its best. After breakfast, take a 90-minute drive to Victoria Falls, where we will stop for lunch. Savor fresh, local ingredients while you look over the gorge to the Zambezi River below. Next, it's off to Hwange National Park, the largest national park in Zimbabwe, for a late afternoon game drive. This national park is home to over 100 types of mammals and 400 bird species, giving you the chance to look out for cheetahs, lions, giraffes and so much more. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Friday, December 6, 2024 Hwange National Park Today is another day to rise early in search of the Big 5. After breakfast, spend a full day on a game drive in Hwange National Park. By enjoying a picnic lunch break, you can venture deep into the bushland and maximize your chances to spot buffalo, elephants and other animals gathering in the park. Return to the lodge for dinner. You'll savor your meal and the memories of the day's extensive safari. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Saturday, December 7, 2024 Hwange National Park This morning, search for the Big 5 your way, because **it's your choice!** Return to an open-air vehicle and enjoy a morning game drive -OR- join an expert national park guide on a game walk, giving you the rare opportunity to search for wildlife up close, including seeing some plants, insects, and reptiles you may not spot otherwise. After, return to the lodge and relax over tea and pastries. This afternoon, you will be returning to the park for another glimpse into the animal kingdom. (B, L, D)



Per Person Rates*:

Double \$8,249; Single \$8,849

Included in Price: Inter-flights from Johannesburg

Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$599 per person, Hotel Transfers and Round Trip Air

* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS: Your price is subject to increase prior to the time you make full payment. Your price is not subject to increase after you make full payment, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. Once deposited, you have 7 days to send us written consumer consent or withdraw consent and receive a full refund.

Day 9: Sunday, December 8, 2024 Hwange National Park - Victoria Falls - Lake Kariba Take a final game drive in the park before transferring to Hwange airport to board a flight to Kariba, the gateway to your safari cruise. Upon arriving in Kariba town, you will embark on a private safari boat on Lake Kariba, which will be your home for three nights. With limited access to technology, revel in the experience of floating along the still waters, seeing breathtaking sunsets, and searching for local wildlife in the water. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Monday, December 9, 2024 Lake Kariba Trade in your safari boat for a smaller tender boat, perfectly sized to cruise upriver channels off the lake. You will return to the safari boat for brunch. Later, enjoy the chance to try your hand at fishing in Lake Kariba from a tender boat. This evening, you and your fellow travelers will take to the shore and enjoy a barbecue dinner on the beach. The stargazing conditions overhead, coupled with the delicious meal, will be a dining experience you won't soon forget. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Tuesday, December 10, 2024 Lake Kariba Start your day with a return to land. Alongside an expert ranger, feel the dirt beneath your feet and venture onto the land for a two-hour walking safari, offering a more secluded atmosphere than the national park game searches you have experienced. Return to the safari boat for brunch later this morning and enjoy another trip and chance to fish on tender boats in the afternoon. Before having dinner on the safari boat, take time to admire the stunning red and orange hues of the setting sun over Lake Kariba. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Wednesday, December 11, 2024 Lake Kariba - Victoria Falls Your safari boat experience will come to a close this morning as you fly back to Victoria Falls. Upon arriving at the Ilala Lodge, enjoy lunch. Then grab your poncho because this afternoon you will visit the exhilarating natural wonder of Victoria Falls! At 5,600 feet wide and 354 feet tall, this waterfall is one of the world's largest. Dinner, Drums and Dancing! Tonight, you will join in on the fun of a traditional African Boma dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 13: Thursday, December 12, 2024 Victoria Falls This morning, start your day with a visit to Chinotimba township. Visit a local market, where you can barter for goods and experience daily life. After, you will visit the modest home of a local family for lunch. Your host will prepare an authentic, simple meal with you and share what life is like in around Victoria Falls. Following your home visit, return to the hotel for an evening at leisure. Perhaps you will join an optional tour taking a relaxing cruise on the Zambezi River, a body of water that separates Zimbabwe and Zambia whose banks are frequented by the local animals. (B, L)

Day 14: Friday, December 13, 2024 Victoria Falls Your last full day on tour will bring you up close to elephants at a local sanctuary. Hear stories from these gentle giants' caretakers and learn about the efforts to understand, care for, and protect these intelligent and inspiring creatures, all while marveling at the animals interacting and walking by their side. Continue learning about animal conservation and care with a visit to the Victoria Falls Wildlife Trust, **Collette's Impact Moment**. The staff at the VFWT will review some of the incredible work they do, ranging from wildlife rehabilitation to community outreach and disease research. You will have the afternoon free to do as you wish. This evening, you will join your fellow travelers for a 3-course farewell dinner under the stars on the bank of the Zambezi River.** (B, D)

Day 15: Saturday, December 14, 2024 Victoria Falls - Johannesburg, South Africa - Tour Ends Say goodbye to your safari companions as you depart your African adventure and head home. (B)

EXTEND YOUR VACATION WITH

Optional 5 Days 4-Night Cape Town Post Tour Extension

Per Person Rates: \$1,549.00 USD double, \$1,849.00 USD single, land & air inclusive

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 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.

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

*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. Payments at Ports of Entry for visa can be done in USD. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority.

Park fees (approximately \$201 USD per person) are included in the price of your tour. Fees are subject to change and are payable at time of final payment.

Travel with no more than 20 guests on this tour where a smaller group setting means a more personal travel experience.

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.

Wildlife sightings cannot be guaranteed and vary depending on seasons.

**Farewell Dinner location is weather dependent and will be moved indoors as needed.

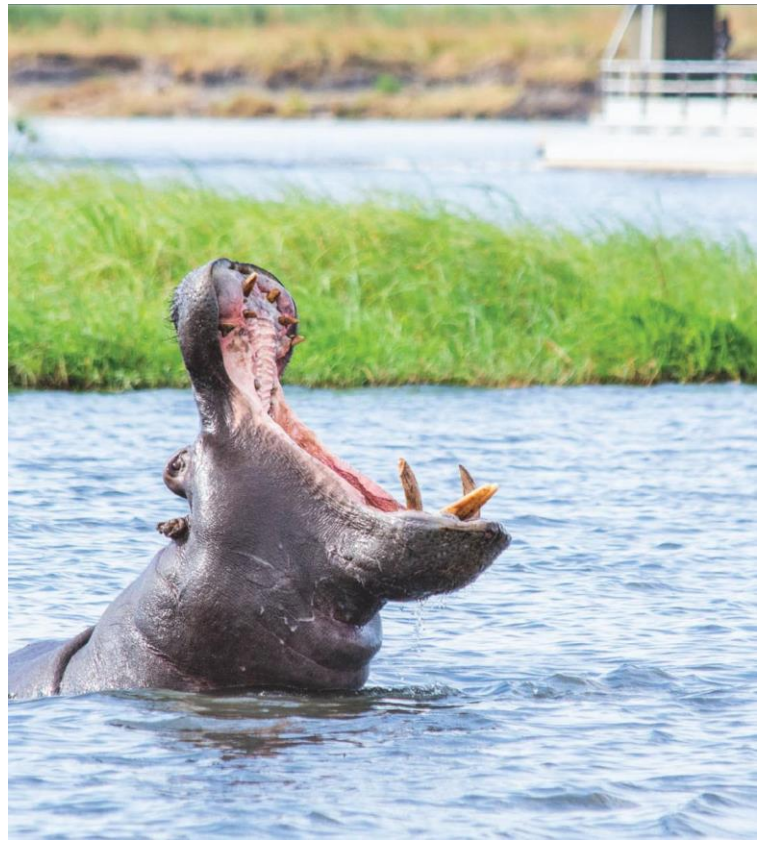
Single accommodations are extremely limited. Triple accommodations are not available.

The preferred currency for payments and tips in Zimbabwe is the US dollar. Foreign credit cards are accepted at hotels, some shops and restaurants. We advise our travelers carry small denominations as change is not always available.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 4. This means you're ready to seize the day, whatever it may bring. You lead an active life at home (walking, biking, and half or full day hikes are things you may enjoy) and 10,000 steps a day is normal for you. You can handle longer walking tours (more than 3 hours covering 3+ miles at a steady clip) and activities that involve traversing uneven terrain, steep slopes, standing for periods of time, and varying altitudes and temperatures. You can handle altitudes of 9,000 feet or higher with little to no issue. This tour includes several early morning game drives with departures at 6:00 a.m. When traveling in Africa you will encounter full days of sightseeing, frequently in warm temperatures. In order to fully experience the wildlife, you will be traveling by safari vehicle which requires climbing in and out frequently and travel on bumpy and dusty roads. You will also use tender boats to better access wildlife viewing while in Lake Kariba. To experience Africa fully, we recommend that all guests be in reasonably good health and prepare properly. This level is not appropriate for travelers who use wheelchairs, walkers, and other mobility assistance devices as well as those that require an oxygen tank.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

If you are traveling with children under the age of 18, South Africa requires that those children must have proper documentation and/or consent when traveling into or out of the Republic. Please refer to www.dha.gov.za/index.php/statements-speeches/621-advisory-new-requirements-for-children-travelling-through-south-african-ports-of-entry-effective-1-june-2015 for the most up-to-date details on 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.



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

Each traveler 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.

Once you arrive at Johannesburg airport, you will be met by a local host that will transfer you to your hotel. This host will also accompany you during the transfer from the hotel back to the Johannesburg airport on the following day. You will meet your Tour Manager at the Victoria Falls airport before traveling to Botswana.

Please be aware that if your flight schedule is via Dubai and 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 <https://mohap.gov.ae/en/services/issue-of-permit-to-import-medicines-for-personal-use> to view the guidelines. A user's guide is available to explain the application and the supporting documents required.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

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 should not be scheduled prior to 6:00 p.m.

Internal flights are required in order to participate on this tour and are included in the final price, quoted at time of booking.

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

A deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of April 24, 2024 are based upon availability. Final payment due by October 01, 2024.

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BOOKING NUMBER: 1201466

TOUR: Wilderness of Southern Africa: Safari by Land
& Water

DEPARTURE DATE: November 30, 2024

GROUP NAME: Virtuoso by land

Available Options

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

Victoria Falls



Sunset Cruise on the Zambezi River

\$75 USD

Set sail on the majestic Zambezi River! Find yourself surrounded by amazing views during one of the most magical times of the day – sunset. It is Africa’s fourth largest river and a lifeline for crocodiles, hippos, elephants and a variety of wildlife. Be welcomed aboard with a glass of champagne and toast to the start of your scenic adventure. Enjoy an all-inclusive bar menu and complimentary hot and cold snacks as you sit and gaze at the calm waters of the river. Get your cameras ready as the sun sets and fills the sky with a warm glow. *Duration: Approximately 2.5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 2 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

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7 Meals: 4 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 2 Dinners

Day 14: Victoria Falls - Cape Town, South Africa

Fly from Victoria Falls and arrive in Cape Town, South Africa for a 5-day tour – the perfect way to extend your vacation.

Day 15: Cape Town

Today, set off for a half-day city tour of Cape Town, South Africa' oldest city. Climb aboard a cable car for a ride up Table Mountain, voted the 8th Wonder of the World. Have your camera ready; the views at the top of Table Mountain are postcard worthy. Then, explore Cape Town, known as the Mother City. Founded in 1652 by Dutch sailors, Cape Town boasts intricate, layered Cape Dutch architecture. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 16: Cape Town

Today, enjoy a full-day Peninsula tour that explores the length and both sides of the Cape Peninsula. Visit Cape Point and the Cape of Good Hope – the south-western most point of the African continent. Behold amazing and dramatic scenery as the road winds along steep cliffs overlooking the ocean far below. Visit the famous penguins that live on Boulders Beach. Finally, get a true taste of the local culture during a home-hosted dinner in Cape Town. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

Day 17: Cape Town

With a full day at leisure, explore Cape Town in depth. This is the perfect location to end an epic tour of southern Africa. This vibrant, cosmopolitan city celebrates culture, beauty and charm, with its strong Euro-Africa blend, great sights, shopping, restaurants and entertainment. Visit the Victoria and Alfred waterfront – a mecca of shops, restaurants, bars, harbor rides and amazing views of Table Mountain. Sit down for a farewell dinner at a restaurant situated in the Victoria and Alfred Waterfront. It is the perfect finale to a truly unforgettable experience. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

Day 18: Cape Town - Tour Extension Ends

Bid farewell to South Africa when you leave beautiful Cape Town! Depending on your departure flight time, you will have access to a day room. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Please Note:

Fully-guided extensions are perfect for travelers who want the complete experience of a new destination and local experiences. Travelers will have a dedicated guide throughout this entire extension.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

Triple and child accommodations are not available.

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

We reserve the right to cancel this extension if a minimum of 4 passengers is not met to operate.

An additional air segment is required for this extension, quoted at time of booking. Additional air charges may apply.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

The overall activity level of this extension is a level 2. This means you can partake in a two-hour walking tour covering up to 2 miles (including breaks), over a variety of terrains. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease and handle altitudes up to 6,000 feet. While this level is appropriate for travelers that require mobility assistance devices, there could be times when you may have to sit out on some of the included activities.