Africa’s Wildlife  On Safari in Botswana, Zambia & Victoria Falls

14 days for $8,284 total price from Seattle
($7,295 air, land & safari inclusive plus $989 airline taxes and fees)

A glimpse of a world primeval awaits on this singular safari to Botswana’s Chobe National Park, where elephants preside over a bounty of wildlife; Zimbabwe’s dazzling and powerful Victoria Falls; and Zambia’s exceptional Lower Zambezi National Park, a remote jewel of an unspoiled preserve.

Your Small Group Tour Highlights
Spectacular Victoria Falls • Sunset Zambezi River cruise • Chobe National Park’s diverse and abundant game • Early morning game drives and afternoon boat safaris • Privately chartered flight to Lower Zambezi • Three-night stay in remote Lower Zambezi National Park, one of Africa’s last pristine wildernesses • Royal Zambezi Lodge’s game-viewing activities: open-vehicle game drives, sunset river cruises, guided canoe trips • Outstanding game viewing

Day 1: Depart U.S. for Johannesburg, South Africa

Day 2: Arrive Johannesburg  Upon arrival we transfer to our hotel in the suburb of Rosebank, where our rooms will be ready for our early check-in. As guests’ arrival times may vary greatly, we have no group activities planned. B

Day 3: Johannesburg/Soweto We meet our fellow travelers today as we embark on a tour of the Soweto district of Johannesburg. Here we see the home of former Archbishop Desmond Tutu; visit Nelson Mandela’s home, which is now a museum; and tour the moving Hector Pieterson Memorial and Museum, where we learn more about apartheid and the Soweto uprising of 1976. Then we hear fascinating stories from a local Sowetan who was present during the uprising, followed by lunch at a local restaurant. Tonight we enjoy a welcome dinner together. B,L,D

Day 4: Johannesburg/Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe We fly today to Livingstone, Zambia, then transfer to Victoria Falls and our lodge. This afternoon we see for ourselves the thundering falls, first encountered by David Livingstone and claimed for Queen Victoria in 1855. With its 300-foot-deep gorge and soaking spray, “Vic” Falls is a wonder of the natural world, straddling the border between Zambia and Zimbabwe. B,D

Day 5: Victoria Falls This morning we embark on a game drive to spot the elusive – and critically endangered – black rhino. Late afternoon we embark on a “Sundowner” dinner cruise on the Zambezi where we see wildlife on shore and in the water. B,D

Day 6: Victoria Falls After a morning visit to Victoria Falls town and a local village, this afternoon is at leisure to relax at our lodge. Tonight we hear a fascinating guest speaker on “The Story of David Livingstone,” followed by dinner together. B,D

Day 7: Victoria Falls/Chobe National Park, Botswana This morning we visit a nearby school then travel two hours by motorcoach to Botswana and Chobe National Park, boasting one of the largest concentrations of game in all of Africa. After settling in and enjoying lunch at our lodge, this afternoon we embark on a game-viewing boat safari on the Chobe River, where we may see hippo, crocs, and some of the park’s 430 species of birds (including the sacred ibis, carmine bee-eaters, fish eagles, and kingfishers). We dine tonight at our lodge. B,L,D

Average High (°F) Sep Oct
Victoria Falls 89 90
Lower Zambezi 87 89 (Zambia)

We may see lions, among other big game, while on safari.
Day 8: Chobe National Park  Known for its diverse terrain that attracts an exceptional array of wildlife – including the world’s largest elephant population (some 120,000), along with zebra, lion, giraffe, impala, and buffalo – Chobe covers 4,517 square miles of protected parkland. We’ll see a portion of this natural wonder on our early morning game drive and this afternoon’s boat safari. And this evening perhaps we’ll see one of the sublime sunsets for which Chobe is known.  

Day 9: Chobe National Park  We’re settling into a comfortable routine, with early morning and late afternoon game drives. In between game-viewing activities, we’re at leisure to enjoy the amenities of our lodge on the banks of the Chobe River, adjacent to the park itself.  

Day 10: Chobe National Park/Lower Zambezi National Park, Zambia  This morning we board a privately chartered plane for the 1½-hour flight to Lower Zambezi National Park, Zambia’s newest reserve (since 1983) and, as the former private sanctuary of Zambia’s president, the least developed. Here in one of Africa’s last stretches of pristine wilderness we have the chance to get closer to the animals than anywhere else. Late afternoon we engage in some of the lodge’s game-viewing activities that include open-vehicle game drives, guided canoe trips, bush walks, and boat safaris.  

Day 11: Lower Zambezi National Park  A day of game-viewing activities in this 1,600-square-mile park on the southern end of Zambia known for its 100-strong elephant herds, unusually large prides of lion, plus buffalo, waterbuck, antelope, impala, crocodile, hippo, kudu, warthog, eland, and leopard, among other wildlife. Together with Zimbabwe’s renowned Mana Pools Reserve situated across the river, the Lower Zambezi National Park forms a massive sanctuary and UNESCO World Heritage site where we’re certain to enjoy unparalleled game and bird viewing – and rarely see other safari-goers.  

Day 12: Lower Zambezi National Park  We have another day to engage in game-viewing activities in this lush riverine environment of 50 mammal species and 400 bird species. With the Zambezi River, abundant game on the valley floor, and the Zambezi Escarpment as a backdrop, the Lower Zambezi National Park offers a dramatic setting for game viewing ... as does our lodge, where animals roam freely on the grounds. Tonight we celebrate our wildlife adventure at a farewell dinner.  

Day 13: Lower Zambezi National Park/Lusaka/Depart for U.S.  We travel by charter flight today to Lusaka, Zambia’s capital, where we have hotel day rooms until our departure this evening for the airport and our overnight flight to the U.S.  

Day 14: Arrive U.S.  We arrive in the U.S. this morning and connect with our flights home.  

Your Tour Price Includes  
• Round-trip air transportation from listed cities; all flights within itinerary  
• 11 nights’ accommodations in Deluxe, Superior First Class, and unrated hotels and lodges  
• 29 meals: 12 breakfasts, 7 lunches, 10 dinners  
• Extensive game viewing as described, including all park entrance fees  
• Mineral water while on safari  
• Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director  
• Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip  
• Luggage handling for one bag per person  
• Gratuities for driver/guides, hotel and lodge staff, and porters  
• $100 frequent traveler credit towards your next UW/Odysseys Unlimited tour ($200 after 3 tours; $300 after 10 tours)  

Please note that guests on the extension will proceed directly to Cape Town and will not use the hotel day room in Lusaka on Day 13.  

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Post-Tour Extension  
October 7-11, 2022  
Cape Town, South Africa  
4 days/3 nights for $1,395 total price  
Single Supplement: $295  

Tour Departs: September 25, 2022  
Prices include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees  

Boston, New York, Washington, DC $7,984  
Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, $8,284  
San Francisco, Seattle, Atlanta, Baltimore, Cleveland, Miami, $8,384  
Charlotte, Cincinnati, Minneapolis, Orlando, Orlando, $8,384  
Philadelphia, Tampa, Denver, Detroit, $8,484  
Phoenix, Portland (OR) $6,595  

Land Only (transfers not included)  

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy in a Deluxe thatched tent at Royal Zambezi Lodge and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of $989, which are subject to change until final payment is made. Single travelers please add $995. Your $500 deposit is fully refundable up to 95 days prior to departure. All 2022 tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed. Upgrade to thatched tent suite with larger indoor and outdoor living areas at Royal Zambezi Lodge: $195 ($295 single)  

Depending on flight schedules, certain U.S. cities may require a departure one day prior to the listed schedule above. Business Class upgrade on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: $5,495 per person in addition to the above costs (upgrade is subject to availability and pricing is subject to change).
Tour Prices
Tour prices quoted are guaranteed through December 31, 2022, and include accommodations based on double occupancy; airfare from your departure city; airline taxes, surcharges, and fees, and port charges and cruise line fees (where applicable), which are subject to change until final payment has been made; internal air, rail, and motorcoach transportation; meals, sightseeing, and transfers as described; hotel taxes; entrance fees for included sightseeing; the services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director; luggage handling for one bag per person; and all gratuities as described below. Please note that the cost of air upgrades is subject to change.

Gratuities
Tour prices include all gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers on base tours and on optional extensions when accompanied by an Odysseys Unlimited representative. Please note that gratuities for the Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour) are not included. These tips are optional and should be extended on a voluntary basis. Gratuities are not included on “On Your Own” optional extensions.

Not Included in Your Tour Price
Airfare from your hometown to your departure city; costs of passports and visas; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; immunizations and inoculations; communications charges; airport transfers when purchasing a land-only package; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour), which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities $10-$15 per guest, per day); and a Travel Protection Plan. Additional baggage fees levied directly by the airline(s) may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

Registration and Payment
A deposit of $500 per person confirms your reservation and is fully refundable up to 95 days prior to departure. Full payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure and may be made by personal check or credit card. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. reserves the right to cancel any reservations that are not paid in full at any time after final payment is due. If you make your reservation after the final payment date, payment in full will be required upon reservation.

Cancellations and Refunds
If you must cancel your tour, the effective date of cancellation will be upon our receipt of your notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges:
For all tours (except as noted)

Prior to departure | Charge
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95 days or more: | Full refund
94-65 days: | 25% of tour price
64-45 days: | 50% of tour price
44-30 days: | 75% of tour price
29-0 days: | No refund

For Africa’s Wildlife, Egypt & the Eternal Nile

Prior to departure | Charge
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95 days or more: | Full refund
94-65 days: | 50% of tour price
64-30 days: | 75% of tour price
29-0 days: | No refund

Please note that we will not refund the cost of any unused portion of your tour package. If because of low participation Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. cancels your tour, you will receive a complete refund of all payments you have made to us.

Pre-Departure

After reserving your tour, you will receive pre-departure mailings that include a detailed itinerary, visa requirements, and reading list. We will send your final tour documents, including airline itineraries (with e-ticket numbers) two to three weeks before departure.

Single Travelers

We welcome single travelers, and offer a limited number of single accommodations on each tour. Because hotel and cruise rates are priced by the room or cabin, the per person cost for accommodations occupied by one person is higher than that shared by two people. We will endeavor to keep single supplements at a reasonable cost. Please note that single rooms in many foreign hotels may be smaller than those to which you are accustomed.

Changes to Your Reservation

We will not charge a fee for any changes made to your reservation outside of 95 days before departure. From 94 to 30 days before departure, if you make any changes to your reservation, a $100 per person administrative fee will apply, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by airlines, hotels, or other third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason or at any time, you will be charged the single supplement.

Please note that no changes to your reservation can be made within 30 days of departure.

Required Information

Upon reservation, we will need to obtain from you the following, in accordance with the Transportation Security Administration’s (TSA) Secure Flight program (for details, please visit www.tsa.gov), as well as for our travel partners: for international tours – your full name as it appears on your passport, date of birth, and gender; for domestic tours – your full name as it appears on the accepted form of government-issued photo identification that you plan to use, date of birth, and gender. In addition, airlines may require that we provide them with your contact information prior to departure. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, or if you use a different passport (international tours) or other form of government-issued photo identification (domestic tours) than originally cited, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket’s reissue.

Travel Documents

A passport valid for at least six months after the completion of your tour is required for U.S. citizens on all international tours in this catalog. If your tour requires a visa(s), we strongly recommend that you have at least six blank visa pages available; for tours not requiring a visa(s), we recommend that your passport have at least three blank visa pages. We will send you specific visa and entry requirements after you make a reservation. You are responsible for obtaining these documents. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please contact your embassy or consulate to ensure you obtain the proper documentation.

Smoking

For the convenience of the majority of our travelers, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. has a No Smoking policy (including e-cigarettes and vaping) on all tour buses. We will arrange sufficient rest stops so those who wish to smoke may do so.

Health and Medical Issues

We welcome all travelers, but request that you
be in good health to participate in an Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. tour. All of our tours involve a reasonable amount of walking (typically two to three miles per day), often uphill or on uneven or cobblestone streets. **You must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and boats on your own.** We regret that we cannot provide individual assistance if you require the use of a wheelchair or have other personal needs; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that a number of our itineraries cannot accommodate wheelchairs. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and the University of Washington Alumni Association (UWAA) reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical condition or behavior, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other tour members. In that event, UWAA and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour. In addition, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and UWAA reserve the right to decline to accept the trip application of any prospective traveler who, in the opinion of Odyssey Unlimited, Inc. or UWAA, is incapable of successfully completing the trip. While we do our best to accommodate food allergy concerns, we cannot guarantee zero cross-contamination.

**Air Transportation**

Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round trip economy air from designated gateway cities as shown and contracts with those airlines they feel provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer more direct service, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates that enable us to offer you the best possible travel value. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. **Please note that seat assignments on your flight are usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. is unable to guarantee any seat assignments.** Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, Land Only is available on most tours. Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. In addition, we recommend that you not purchase your tickets until final payment is due. If you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and the UWAA will incur no liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes therein. In any event, neither Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., nor the UWAA is responsible for losses, direct or indirect, or missed components of a trip which result from air delays, cancellations, rerouting or any other air-related problem.

**Responsibility**

The liability of Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under its control. It serves only as an agent for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, their employees, agents, servants or representatives. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. is not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within its control, including without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air carriers, cruise line, and other independent suppliers. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require us to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality. Cruise itineraries may change due to factors such as government regulations, water levels, or weather conditions. See also the UWAA’s Release of Liability, Assumption of All Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement form which you have to sign as a condition of your going on this trip. This form is sent to all participants upon placing a tour deposit and needs to be returned within 30 days after receipt or at least 60 days before the beginning of the trip, whichever is sooner. This document can be found at www.UWalum.com/tours or by emailing uwaatour@uw.edu.
UW ALUMNI TOURS RESERVATION FORM

To reserve your place on tour, please call Odysseys Unlimited at (toll-free) 888-370-6765 (preferred registration method). Please have the information outlined below available to share with their Travel Counselors.

If you prefer, you may also complete this Reservation Form and submit it to their office. Once this request is received, a Travel Counselor from Odysseys Unlimited will contact you within two business days to securely take your credit card information for the deposit. Your reservation is not confirmed until your deposit is paid and processed. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or VISA, or by personal check. If paying by check, please make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and include with the form. Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure.

Send to: Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.
One Newton Place
275 Washington Street
Suite 300
Newton, MA 02458

I/we would like to request ________ place(s). (Deposit amount is $500 per person.)

Full Passport Name __________________________ Date of Birth ___________ Gender ______

Full Passport Name __________________________ Date of Birth ___________ Gender ______

Address ____________________________________________________________________________

City __________________________ State _______ ZIP __________________

Home Ph. (_____)_________________________ Cell Ph. (_____)_________________________

E-mail __________________________________________ Badge Name(s) ______________

Please book my/our air from ______________________ I/We request an air upgrade to ______________________

I will share a room with __________________________ I request a single room (limited availability) □

I/We request an upgrade to tent category ________ (for Africa’s Wildlife only)

Please Note: UWAA Membership: While you do not have to be a UW grad to join this tour, we ask that one person, per reservation, join the UW Alumni Association. Member dues help support our travel program, making these tours possible. UWAA membership details are available at www.UWalum.com