

SAMPLE JOURNEY TO

VICTORIA FALLS (4 NIGHTS)

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QUICK FACTS ZAMBIA



TIME ZONE GMT +2



WEATHER In Zambia, the climate is tropical or sub-tropical depending on altitude, with a hot, humid, and rainy season from mid-November to March and a dry season from April to mid-November.



OFFICIAL LANGUAGES Zambia has over 70 different dialects but the official language is English which is widely spoken, in addition the government also recognises 7 official regional languages; Bemba, Nyanja, Tonga, Lozi, Kaonde and Luvale.



INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS Zambia's main airport is Kenneth Kaunda International Airport (Lusaka); Harry Mwanga Nkumbula International Airport (Livingstone) is the closest airport to the Victoria Falls; Simon Mwansa Kapwepwe International Airport (Ndola) services the Copperbelt province.



CAPITAL CITY Lusaka



ELECTRICITY 220/240v at 50Hz. Both 3-pin square design as used in the United Kingdom (Type G) and 2-pin European plug (Type C) can be used.



VISA Please check with your nearest Zambian Embassy. [Click here](#) for more information.



VACCINATIONS Malaria is endemic in Zambia (prophylaxis is essential). Please consult your doctor for latest health updates before arrival.



CURRENCY Zambian Kwacha (ZMK)



CREDIT CARDS Most hotels, restaurants and the bigger shops will take credit cards, and bigger banks will usually advance local currency against a credit card. Visa is more readily accepted than MasterCard or American Express.



GRATUITY GUIDE It is customary to add 10% service fee to all food and beverage charges.

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WELCOME TO VICTORIA FALLS

The Victoria Falls constitutes one of the most spectacular natural wonders of the world.

The Local people call it "Mosi-oa-Tunya" - the smoke that thunders and the Falls are remarkable. The Victoria falls is 1 708 meters wide, making it the largest curtain of water in the world. It drops between 90m and 107m into the Zambezi Gorge and an average of 550,000 cubic meters of water plummet over the edge every minute. The falls and the surrounding area have been declared National Parks and a World Heritage Site, thus preserving the area from excessive commercialization. A number of activities can be undertaken. The 'Flight of Angels' provides a fabulous vista of the falls, the upstream river and its many islands and for the more adventurous there is microlighting with stunning views of the Fall. Rafting the wild rapids below the Falls is a very popular adventure. Visitors can also kayak, canoe, fish, go on guided walking safaris, ride on horseback and lunch on Livingstone's Island. Game viewing via boat or open vehicles is a popular activity above the falls

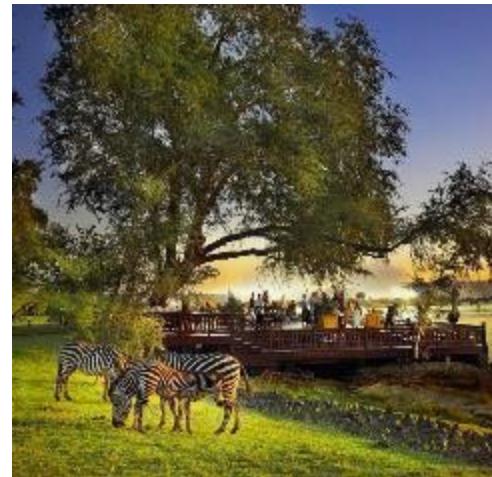
Scenery | Helicopters | Canoeing | White water rafting | Cultural interaction | Various adventure activities



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FEATURES

An extraordinary and utterly unforgettable sight, Victoria Falls in Zambia is called Mosi-Oa- Tunya or the "the smoke that thunders" by local tribe's people.

On the forested banks of the great Zambezi River, is The Royal Livingstone, the pride of Zambian hospitality.

In its cool lounges and shaded veranda guests will encounter the elegance and luxury of an earlier bygone era.

The 173 luxurious rooms with their comfortable furnishings are tastefully decorated in the soft earthy tones of the bush-veld, with spreading views of the river and the acacia forest.

Two magnificent sundecks overlooking the great Zambezi as it flows relentlessly towards and over the Falls

Enjoy fine dining in the restaurant, or on the long veranda overlooking the gardens.

In the warm smile of the personal butler, or the simple luxury of a cane chair, guests will find an Africa that has all but vanished at the Royal Livingstone, Zambia.

Expect utter comfort, stylish service and unbeatable experiences at The Royal Livingstone.

YOUR JOURNEY



DAY 1

Sunset Cruise on the Zambezi River.
Heed the call of Africa in the fading twilight hours on this fabulous 2-hour cruise along the Zambezi River upstream from the Victoria Falls. Admire the stunning sunset views while sipping traditional cocktails and enjoying delicious snacks. Before returning to the hotel enjoy a relaxing barbecue night at the Kingfisher outdoor venue (weather permitting). A local band can provide background music and entertainment can include fire dancers.



DAY 2

Tour of Falls and Adrenaline Activities.
Discover how the Falls were formed and what local customs and traditions surround them. Witness the majestic Victoria Falls whilst standing amidst the spray and mist.



DAY 3

Safari day trip to Chobe National Park, Botswana.

Chobe National Park is one of the greatest game reserves in Southern Africa and famous for the number of elephant that live there. The Chobe River flows lazily through the Caprivi flood plains and provides a haven for huge herds of buffalo and elephant, zebra, wildebeest and impala which are followed closely by predators including lion, hyena, the elusive leopard and the odd pack of the now rare wild dog. The bird life in particular is exceptional.



DAY 3

Dinner at the Boma.

Set up in a Traditional African Village style, this is the perfect private venue for a traditional African night. This venue with its blazing bonfire under the crisp African Sky, together with a choice of African and International Dishes and Traditional Entertainment would add an unforgettable experience to the groups stay in Zambia : traditional dancers, a sangoma or marimba band



DAY 4

Jet Boat & Picnic Lunch with Elephants.

After a leisurely breakfast, guests will depart late morning for the river's edge to board your thrilling jet boat ride (4x4 on water) 10 km's up the Zambezi River for your Elephant interaction. After your jet boat experience enjoy a delicious picnic lunch on the banks of the Zambezi River in the Mosi-Oa-Tunya National Park while enjoying scenic views across the Zambezi River and lunching alongside a few of these special elephants. This activity promises to be a truly memorable experience.



DAY 4

Farewell dinner on The Royal Livingstone Express Train.

Late afternoon departure as you watch the sunset on the bridge overlooking the Falls. Trundle along under steam as you dine in style in one of the elegant dining cars, on this historic train which has been lovingly restored.

ITINERARY OVERVIEW

DAY	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
DAY 1	Arrive in Johannesburg at OR Tambo International Airport where a Giltedge DMC Representative will meet guests and escort them to their onward flight departure on one of the following flights to Livingstone: South African Airways OR British Airways.	On arrival at Livingstone Airport, guests will be met by with cool towels and escorted to their waiting vehicles for the short 15 minute transfer to the Hotel (smaller groups have the option of a river taxi transfer). On arrival at the hotel, guests will be met by a local choir whilst welcome drinks are served. Enjoy lunch at your hotel overlooking the tranquil Zambezi River. Afternoon helicopter flights over the falls – depart from the hotel or perhaps for those wanting to relax, enjoy high tea in the lounge.	Late afternoon, guests will depart for a sunset cruise on the Zambezi River. BBQ dinner night at the Kingfisher outdoor venue. Overnight: Royal Livingstone Hotel.
DAY 2	Early breakfast at your Hotel before departing for Victoria Falls. Enjoy a tour of Victoria Falls and discover how they were formed and what local customs and traditions surround them.	Lunch at the Royal Livingstone Hotel terrace, dine al fresco overlooking the Falls. Optional afternoon activities available.	Refreshing sundowner on The Royal Sun Deck. Dinner under the stars at the hotel. Overnight: Royal Livingstone Hotel.
DAY 3	Early breakfast at your Hotel before departing for Chobe National Park. River safari.	Lunch at a local lodge. Afternoon game drive in Chobe National Park.	Dinner at the Boma. Overnight: Royal Livingstone Hotel.
DAY 4	Breakfast at your Hotel before departing for the rivers edge for your thrilling jet boat ride.	Picnic lunch on the banks of the Zambezi River, in the company of these special elephants. Remainder of the afternoon at leisure or enjoy one of the optional activities you may have missed on day 2.	Farewell dinner on The Royal Livingstone Express Train. Overnight: Royal Livingstone Hotel.
DAY 5	Breakfast at your hotel – morning to pack and check out before your transfer to Livingstone Airport for your flight to Johannesburg and then onwards home: African Airways OR British Airways.	Farewell to the 'Smoke that thunders'.	

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