

International Tours



South African Safari

Kruger National Park, Victoria Falls, Cape Town, Chobe Botswana

September 21 – October 4, 2026

\$14,695 /double • \$17,195 /single (airfare included)

There are journeys that show you the world, and others that change the way you see it. From the sun-drenched Cape to the thundering mists of Victoria Falls, this 14-day adventure spans three remarkable nations—South Africa, Botswana, and Zimbabwe—revealing landscapes that shimmer with life and color.

Stand atop Table Mountain and gaze across the Cape Peninsula, taste fine wines in the rolling valleys of the Winelands, and listen to lions calling across the Kruger plains. Glide along the Zambezi River at sunset and watch elephants bathe at the edge of Chobe's silver waters.

Every day unfolds another chapter in Africa's story—its rhythm, its wild heart, and its unforgettable spirit.

TOUR INCLUDES

- Local home pick-up service and luggage handling
- All meals, attractions, guides, and activities
- Roundtrip airfare from Asheville, including nonstop flights to Cape Town and from Johannesburg
- Three intra-Africa flights and visa processing for Zimbabwe
- South Africa, Zimbabwe, Botswana and a few moments in Zambia.
- Four nights in Cape Town at Southern Sun The Cullinan
- Three nights in the Kruger National Park area at Mjejane River Lodge
- Two nights in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe at Ilala Lodge
- Two nights in Chobe National Park, Botswana at Chobe Game Lodge
- Table Mountain, Cape Point, and the Cape Winelands
- Game drives in Kruger and Chobe National Parks, and a chance to walk with Lions
- Victoria Falls walking tour and Zambezi sunset cruise.
- Visits to three extraordinary African nations
- Fully escorted by a Globe Treks Tour Manager and local expert guides
- All gratuities, taxes, and transfers included.
- Limited to 11 guests

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South African Safari: Day by Day

Day 1 - Depart for Africa

A Globe Treks representative meets you at your doorstep and escorts you to Asheville Airport to meet your traveling companions. Enjoy a light dinner and orientation in Atlanta before boarding your overnight Delta flight to Cape Town—toward the promise of adventure and the call of Africa.

Note: Itinerary Roundtrip airfare at the Delta Main Classic level of Service. Feel free to upgrade to Comfort or First Class or use Delta miles for a credit for the airfare portion of the price.

Day 2 - Arrival in Cape Town

Arrive at dusk in Cape Town, where mountains rise behind a glittering harbor. After clearing customs, you'll be transferred to Southern Sun The Cullinan, a grand hotel near the V&A Waterfront.

This award-winning property combines stately architecture with modern comfort—high ceilings, tall columns, and a balconied mezzanine surrounding a sunlit pool courtyard. Its location places you moments from the city's waterfront, restaurants, and shops.

Unwind after your journey, perhaps with a quiet drink beneath the chandeliers or a stroll along the harbor promenade as the lights of Table Mountain glow above.

Day 3 - Cape Town: The Mother City

Begin your exploration of one of the world's most captivating cities. Ride the cable car to the flat-topped summit of Table Mountain, where sweeping views of Cape Town, Table Bay, and the distant peninsula unfold below.

At the Castle of Good Hope, discover South Africa's oldest colonial building, its thick stone walls recalling the early days of European settlement. Continue to the District Six Museum, a moving tribute to the vibrant community displaced during apartheid—a story of pain, resilience, and hope. The South African Museum offers another dimension, tracing the country's natural and cultural evolution through time.

This evening, celebrate Africa's diversity at GOLD Restaurant. Begin with an interactive drumming session, then enjoy a 14-dish tasting journey through the continent—each course infused with music, dance, and warmth.

Day 4 - The Cape Peninsula: Where the Oceans Meet

Today, travel one of the world's most spectacular coastal routes around the Cape Peninsula. Drive through fishing villages and wind-swept bays to the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve, where cliffs drop sharply to the sea. Ride the funicular to Cape Point Lighthouse, gazing over the place where the Atlantic and Indian currents converge—a vista of restless beauty.

At Hout Bay, enjoy a boat excursion to Seal Island to view a bustling colony of Cape fur seals. Continue to Boulders Beach, where endangered African penguins waddle and preen along sandy coves, utterly unbothered by their admirers.

Your return follows Chapman's Peak Drive, a sinuous coastal road carved into the cliffs, offering some of the finest views in Africa. The day ends back in Cape Town, the sunset casting a golden glow over the Atlantic.

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Day 5 - The Cape Winelands

Venture inland to the Cape Winelands, a region of sunlit vineyards, whitewashed gables, and rugged peaks. In Stellenbosch, South Africa's second-oldest town, stroll oak-lined streets lined with Cape Dutch architecture.

Sample wines at Delaire Graff Estate, where striking art and sweeping mountain vistas complement each vintage. Continue to Franschhoek, the "French Corner," where a visit to Leeu Estates pairs refined tastings with tranquil gardens. Conclude at La Motte in Paarl, where tradition and innovation merge in both cellar and cuisine. As you return to Cape Town, the late light slants across vineyard rows and the distant mountains glow purple—a scene that remains locked in your memories.

Day 6 - Into the Wild: Kruger National Park

After breakfast, fly from Cape Town to Kruger Mpumalanga Airport, gateway to South Africa's legendary wilderness. Your destination is Mjejane River Lodge, a stylish four-star retreat along the Crocodile River within the Greater Kruger National Park ecosystem.

Set amid 3,500 hectares of private reserve, the lodge offers air-conditioned rooms with private verandas overlooking the river—prime vantage points for spotting elephants, hippos, and buffalo.

After settling in, join your ranger for your first game drive. As the sun sinks, the bush transforms—the air thick with birdsong, the scent of acacia, and perhaps, the distant roar of lions. Return to the lodge for dinner beneath a canopy of stars.

Day 7 - Life in the Bushveld

Awaken to birds calling and mist rising over the river. Early morning is the bush at its most alive—predators still on the move, antelope grazing in the cool light, and elephants lumbering toward water. Return midmorning for a hearty brunch, followed by time to relax by the pool or watch wildlife from your terrace. In late afternoon, venture out again as the savannah glows gold and shadows lengthen. Pause for sundowners in the bush, then return to a lantern-lit dinner under the wide African sky.

Day 8 - The Rhythm of Safari

Your final full day in Kruger brings more unforgettable encounters. Each drive offers a new rhythm—leopards slinking through brush, giraffes outlined against sunrise, the dust rising from a herd of buffalo.

Between adventures, enjoy the stillness of the river and the lodge's quiet comfort. As night falls, dine to the sounds of cicadas and distant calls echoing through the darkness. It's Africa's lullaby.

Day 9 - The Smoke That Thunders: Victoria Falls

After breakfast, fly north to Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe. You'll stay at Ilala Lodge, an elegant boutique property just an eight-minute walk from the falls—the closest hotel to the main viewing points.

Ilala's airy rooms open to tropical gardens where the spray from the falls often drifts through, and its acclaimed Cassia Restaurant serves fine cuisine beneath the open sky.

This afternoon, stroll rainforest trails to viewpoints overlooking Mosi-oa-Tunya, "The Smoke That Thunders." Rainbows shimmer in the mist as torrents of water plunge into the gorge below. Later, board the classic Ra-Ikane Riverboat for a tranquil sunset cruise on the Zambezi—cocktails in hand, watching elephants and hippos along the golden-lit banks.

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Day 10 - Victoria Falls: Power and Grace

This morning, experience the falls from both the Zimbabwean and Zambian sides. From one vantage, you'll witness the full sweep of the cascade; from the other, you'll stand close enough to feel its spray and hear the thunder of water echoing through the gorge.

In the afternoon, take part in the optional Walk with Lions experience—a rare, conservation-focused encounter alongside young lions under the supervision of trained guides. It's both humbling and uplifting, a reminder of Africa's delicate balance between wilderness and preservation.

Return to Ilala Lodge to relax by the pool or enjoy an alfresco dinner as the night hums with distant sound from the falls.

Day 11 - Into Botswana: Chobe National Park

After breakfast, travel by road across the border to Botswana and enter Chobe National Park, a paradise for elephants and birdlife. Your home is Chobe Game Lodge, the park's only permanent lodge—an elegant, five-star retreat with vaulted ceilings, shaded terraces, and a broad deck overlooking the Chobe River.

In late afternoon, board a riverboat for a sunset safari. Drift silently past herds of elephants cooling in the shallows while hippos grunt and fish eagles call. The setting sun turns the river to molten gold before fading into twilight.

Day 12 - Wild Water and Wandering Herds

Rise early for a morning game drive through Chobe's vast landscapes. This is Africa at its purest—lions padding through the grass, giraffes stretching to feed, and great herds of elephants crossing the floodplain.

After breakfast, relax at the lodge before heading out again for an afternoon drive. As evening approaches, sip sundowners in the bush, watching the horizon glow one final time before darkness falls. Tonight's dinner celebrates your journey—a feast of memories shared among friends.

Day 13 - Johannesburg and Farewell Dinner

Enjoy a final breakfast beside the Chobe River, then transfer to Kasane Airport for your flight to Johannesburg. That evening, gather for a farewell dinner reflecting on your extraordinary days—from Cape Town's coast to the heart of the bush. Overnight flight to Atlanta.

Day 14 - Homeward Bound

Arrive in Atlanta, clear customs, and continue to Asheville, where a Globe Treks representative will return you to your doorstep—your suitcase a little dusty, your heart forever changed by Africa.



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