The Pride of South Africa, Botswana, Namibia & Zimbabwe

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Few experiences can match this exciting, in-depth itinerary traveling the breadth of southern Africa, where nature’s spectacle is at its most dramatic, history is rich, culture is diverse and the “Big Five” game viewing is extraordinary. Discover the wonders of Namibia and Botswana, which are home to one of the densest game populations on the planet; walk in the footsteps of Nelson Mandela in South Africa; and behold the majestic natural beauty of Zimbabwe’s incomparable Victoria Falls—one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World.

On Namibia’s Chobe River, enjoy a three-night river safari featuring naturalist-guided excursions by small watercraft—a fantastic perspective from which to observe magnificent wildlife—with accommodations aboard the exclusively chartered, five-star Zambezi Queen, featuring 14 beautifully appointed staterooms, each with a private balcony. During your classic land safari, enjoy superb game viewing in Botswana, a sanctuary for nearly all of the southern African mammal species, and in MalaMala Private Game Reserve, an extension of South Africa’s renowned Kruger National Park.

Follow Mandela’s “long road to freedom” from his former home in Soweto to UNESCO World Heritage-designated Robben Island prison where Nelson Mandela and other political prisoners were held. Taste local wines paired with a gourmet lunch at world-renowned Cape Winelands vineyards. Observe unparalleled wildlife in their natural habitats during game drives aboard four-wheel-drive vehicles. Walk along the edge of Zimbabwe’s Victoria Falls, one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World.

Join us on this unforgettable journey. We encourage you to register at www.yaleedtravel.org/southafrica19. If you have any questions or need additional information please call 203-432-1952 or email edtravel@yale.edu.

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WELCOME PHONE CALL
Thursday, January 3 (tentative)
Join the group at 4PM EST for a pre-trip welcome call with Professor Paul Bracken in order to learn more about what to expect and to ask questions.

U.S./JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA
Tuesday and Wednesday, January 15-16
Depart the U.S. for Johannesburg. Upon arrival, check into the five-star Fairlawns Boutique Hotel. The remainder of the day is at leisure.

JOHANNESBURG/PRETORIA
Thursday, January 17
Vibrant Pretoria is known for its diverse architecture, purple-blossomed jacaranda trees, and distinctly Afrikaans culture. Visit historic Liliesleaf Farm, once the epicenter of the liberation movement and now a cultural heritage site, and the Voortrekker Monument, honoring the mid-19th-century Dutch Voortrekkers (pioneers), who emigrated from the Cape Colony to the inland highveld. See the Union Buildings and the formal garden where Mandela gave his presidential inauguration speech (1994).

Enjoy the welcome reception in the hotel this evening. (B/L/R)

JOHANNESBURG/SOWETO
Friday, January 18
Johannesburg’s South Western Townships community, better known as Soweto, is a cultural beacon and reminder of the long-lasting effects of segregationist politics. Here, follow in the footsteps of Mandela—visit his house and the Hector Pieterson Memorial, an iconic symbol of the 1976 apartheid protests; see the FNB Stadium, where he delivered his first speech in Johannesburg following his 1990 release from prison; and tour Johannesburg’s Apartheid Museum.

Enjoy a specially arranged dinner with guest speaker Nicholas Wolpe, founder and CEO of the Liliesleaf Farm Trust. (B/L/D)

JOHANNESBURG/ MALAMALA GAME RESERVE
Saturday, January 19
This morning, fly to MalaMala Private Game Reserve, an extension of Kruger National Park, to check into the five-star camp.

Later, embark on your first game drive into the African bush, followed by dinner in the lodge. (B/L/D)

MALAMALA
Sunday, January 20
Renowned particularly for its leopard viewing, MalaMala is South Africa’s largest private “Big Five” game reserve. Enjoy morning and afternoon game drives in this sanctuary for nearly 150 species of mammals and more than 500 bird species. (B/L/D)

MALAMALA/CAPE TOWN
Monday, January 21
After your morning game drive, fly to Cape Town via Skukuza Airport and check into the historic Belmond Mount Nelson Hotel. The remainder of the day is at leisure. (B)

CAPE TOWN/ROBBEN ISLAND
Tuesday, January 22
Today, see Cape Town’s historic City Hall, where Mandela made his first public speech mere hours after his release from prison, and ascend Table Mountain by cable car (weather permitting) for sweeping city and coastal views.

Tour Robben Island, a UNESCO World Heritage site, where Mandela and other political prisoners made strides in attaining equal rights during apartheid. The prison provides an invaluable perspective on South Africa’s social and political transformation. (B)

CAPE TOWN/CAPE POINT
Wednesday, January 23
Visit Boulders Beach in Simon’s Town for an up-close look at a protected colony of endangered African penguins. Journey on to Table Mountain National Park and ride a funicular up to lofty Cape Point.

In a private home in Cape Town’s Bo-Kaap township, savor the spices of Cape Malay cuisine—a fusion of South African, Dutch, and Malaysian flavors—during a specially arranged dinner. (B/L/D)

CAPE TOWN/CAPE WINELANDS
Thursday, January 24
Experience the world-class Cape Winelands along the Stellenbosch Wine Route. Enjoy a private tasting of the region’s signature Pinotage red wine at Vergelegen Cape Dutch Manor House, then enjoy a specially arranged lunch

Special guest speaker Nicholas Wolpe will share his insider’s perspective on historic events surrounding Liliesleaf and the African National Congress (ANC).
Indian Ocean with wine pairings at Boschendal, one of South Africa’s oldest wine estates. (B/L)

CAPE TOWN/KASANE, BOTSWANA/CHOBE RIVER, NAMIBIA
Friday, January 25
This morning, fly to Kasane, Botswana, for entry into Namibia. Board the Zambezi Queen for extraordinary game viewing, distinctly different from land safaris. Local guides will lead you on river safaris aboard small excursion boats. (B/D)

CHOBE RIVER SAFARI
Saturday and Sunday, January 26-27
Visit a village along the river to experience local culture firsthand, and join local guides on small excursion boats for game viewing, fishing, or bird watching. (2B/2L/2D)

CHOBE RIVER/CHOBE NATIONAL PARK, BOTSWANA/VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE
Monday, January 28
Disembark the ship this morning and transfer to Botswana’s Chobe National Park. Enjoy a morning game drive among one of the densest Kalahari elephant populations (approximately 120,000) on the continent, as well as lions, cheetahs, leopards, zebras, impalas, hyenas, wildebeests, warthogs, hippopotamuses, crocodiles, water buffaloes, and more than 450 bird species.

After lunch in a local restaurant, transfer to The Victoria Falls Hotel for an evening at leisure. (B/D)

VICTORIA FALLS
Tuesday, January 29
Walk the trail along the edge of thundering Victoria Falls, a UNESCO World Heritage site, one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World and among the largest waterfalls on Earth. See the Victoria Falls Bridge, an engineering marvel that was designed and constructed in England and reassembled over the Zambezi River gorge—all in only five years.

Enjoy the farewell dinner in the hotel. (B/D)

VICTORIA FALLS/JOHANNESBURG/U.S.
Wednesday and Thursday, January 30-31
After breakfast, fly to Johannesburg for your return flight to the U.S. Arrive in the U.S. the next day. (B)

Included meals indicated each day as B/L/R/D = Breakfast/Lunch/Reception/Dinner.

What is Included:
• Program of lectures and discussions with Professor Paul Bracken.
• Accommodations on double occupancy basis as per the itinerary.
• Meals as indicated in the itinerary.
• All entrance fees as per the itinerary.
• Services of Travel Director during the tour as per the itinerary.
• Complimentary house wine and beer with lunch and dinner aboard the Zambezi Queen.
• Welcome Reception & Farewell Dinner.
• Gratuities to ship personnel, local guides, drivers, and safari rangers on included excursions and transfers.
• Transfers and luggage handling abroad if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with scheduled group transfer(s).
• Port taxes.
• Zimbabwe entry visa.
• Complimentary bottled water in your stateroom aboard ship, during excursions, and on game drives.
• Emergency medical evacuation services through UHC Global Assistance.

What is Not Included:
• Expenses of a personal nature like laundry, telephone/fax calls, Internet, alcoholic beverages, camera/video camera fee at monuments, medical expenses, airport departure tax, etc.
• Any insurance other than specified above.
• Any meals or beverages that are not specified in the above inclusions.
• Gratuities to hotel personnel.
• International and internal program airfares. Internal flights should be booked as part of your international air itinerary.
• Expenses caused by factors beyond our control like rail and airxplane delays, roadblocks, vehicle malfunctions, political disturbances, taxes, lost luggage, etc.
• Any other services not mentioned in the inclusions.

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Fairlawns Boutique Hotel, Johannesburg, provides stately luxury and tranquility. Stay in the exclusive Grand Chateau Suites, each individually decorated, featuring a communal fireplace lounge and complimentary Wi-Fi.

MalaMala Private Game Reserve is a unique and unforgettable safari destination situated in one of the top game-viewing destinations in the world. It offers an authentic camp experience without compromising comfort or luxury.

BelMond Mount Nelson Hotel, Cape Town, is a timeless garden estate in Cape Town's vibrant cultural center. Enjoy stylish accommodations with modern amenities.

The Victoria Falls Hotel, Victoria Falls, features dramatic views looking out toward the incredible, thundering falls and their rainbow-hued mist. Built in 1904 to house railway workers, it is now one of the Leading Hotels of the World.

Pricing is per person, based on double occupancy.

CATEGORY 5 $10,045
Private-balcony stateroom. 233 square feet including balcony. Lower Deck.

CATEGORY 4 $10,445
Private-balcony smaller stateroom. 211 square feet including balcony. Middle Deck, midship.

CATEGORY 3 $10,845
Private-balcony stateroom. 231 square feet including balcony. Middle Deck, midship and aft.

CATEGORY 2 $11,045
Private-balcony larger stateroom. Larger, second shared balcony. 283 square feet including balcony. Middle Deck, forward.

CATEGORY 1 $11,545
Private-balcony larger stateroom. Larger, second private balcony. 340 square feet including balcony. Lower Deck, forward.

Taxes and gratuities to ship personnel are included for all categories.

Please call Yale Educational Travel for specific cabin availability.
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