

TRAVEL ITINERARY

Day 1 AUCKLAND - JOHANNESBURG

Make your way to the Auckland International Airport and check in for your flight to Johannesburg via Sydney.

QANTAS FLIGHT QF004

Depart Auckland	6:45am
Arrive Sydney	8:20am

QANTAS FLIGHT QF063

Depart Sydney	9:30am
Arrive Johannesburg	4:10pm

ARRIVAL TRANSFER

On arrival at Johannesburg OR Tambo Airport, you will clear customs & immigration and then be met by a representative holding a printed board with your name on it. They will guide you to your hotel located walking distance from the terminal.

ACCOMMODATION

1 night accommodation at Intercontinental Hotel in a Deluxe Room including breakfast.

InterContinental Johannesburg O.R. Tambo Airport, an award-winning luxury hotel walking distance from the international airport terminal, offers travelers an exceptional stay in Kempton Park. Relax in our heated indoor pool, indulge in relaxation at the Camelot Spa, and dine on a decadent South African fare at Quills.



Day 2 JOHANNESBURG – MADIKWE GAME RESERVE

After breakfast, you will make your own way on foot to the Johannesburg International Airport to check in for your Federal Air flight to Madikwe. Please check in by 8:30am.

Federal Air will transfer you from Johannesburg International Airport to their departure lounge a short distance away. From here, you can store any excess luggage if necessary, enjoy the lounge facilities and board the small aircraft for your flight.

FEDERAL AIR FLIGHT

Check In	8:30am
Depart Johannesburg	10:00am
Arrive Impodimo	11:00am

Departure and arrival times may vary up to one hour.

LUGGAGE

All passengers traveling on Federal Airlines shuttle flights are entitled to one free piece of checked luggage and one small carry-on item. Due to the nature of the environment in which we operate, our aircraft are smaller than a typical airliner. As a result of this, we have small luggage holds which means that we have weight and size limitations.

The Federal Airlines luggage specifications are as follows:

Preferably soft (all-sides) luggage/duffle bags with ONE flat side. We offer soft-sided bags which can be purchased at our lounge at an additional cost. Maximum luggage weight (including photographic/filming equipment) is 20kg (in the hold); maximum luggage size per piece is 40cm wide x 30cm high x 60cm long.

Maximum hand luggage is 5kg / 11lbs.

ARRIVAL TRANSFER

On arrival at the Madikwe East Airstrip, a representative from Impodimo Game Lodge will meet you and transfer you to the lodge for check in.

ACCOMMODATION

4 nights at Impodimo Game Lodge in a Luxury Suite.

Inclusions

Twice-daily game drives, Guest Conservation Contribution, MGR Entrance Fee, Reserve Fees, All Meals, Local & Imported drinks, tea & coffee and snacks.

Exclusions

Laundry, Premium Brand Spirits, Gratuities, Spa Treatments, Travel Insurance, Telephone calls, Items of a personal nature such as curio purchases and anything not specifically mentioned as included.

Set on a rocky ridge overlooking magnificent vistas, Impodimo Game Lodge provides the ideal retreat to escape the busy world. This 5-star luxury game lodge offers everything the visitor could want to experience in the bush, from indulgent cuisine to the excitement of dawn and dusk game drives escorted by a professional ranger in the Madikwe Game Reserve. Its spectacular setting at the source of a natural spring elevated above the views of the park coupled with riverine serenity, make the perfect recipe for a spectacular stay.



Carved from the hillside, 8 Luxury suites provide intimate accommodation at Impodimo Game lodge, whilst the Deluxe Safari suite is for those who prefer something extra-ordinary. Suites at the lodge are spacious in design and have been carefully positioned to ensure complete privacy.

Each luxury suite features Luxurious King-sized beds with the option of twin beds available on request, full en-suite bathrooms with in-door and outdoor showers. All suites are fully air conditioned and are equipped with closed system fireplaces for those chilly winter evenings. Our guests enjoy the suite's large private decks where you can absorb the sights and sounds and smells of the bush.



Dining is a central part of any safari experience, and we are passionate about amazing food. Enjoy a sumptuous brunch at the pool lapa on return from your morning game drive and a traditional high tea in the afternoon overlooking the African Bush. Relax as our talented team of chefs turn out the finest Pan-African cuisine using the finest locally sourced ingredients. Our menus change daily, according to what produce is available and are customized to the different dietary preferences of our guests. Dinners can be enjoyed with your hosts in the open-air boma or the dining room with a fine wine. Share your adventures while you enjoy a nightcap around the fire or If you prefer, we can arrange private dining for a more intimate experience. Whatever you choose, there will always be surprise and delight even for the most discerning palate.

Day 3-5

MADIKWE GAME RESERVE

Enjoy twice daily safari activities during your stay at Impodimo.

Rise in the morning to an African dawn and enjoy an early morning game drive with your dedicated professional ranger and tracker. Relax as your knowledgeable ranger guides you through the bush on a custom made open 4 x4, for the most authentic safari experience. In the afternoon, when the heat of the African sun has diminished and the shadows are longer, head out on a sundowner safari to watch the sun set on this bushveld paradise and go in search of the more nocturnal creatures that now rule the bush.



For the more adventurous, set out on a bush walk with your fully qualified and armed trails guide and learn the art of tracking African game and get to experience the bush in a way that is impossible in a vehicle. Study the signs of the wild as your guide interprets the secrets for you, always ensuring your safety.

Impodimo has the advantage out on safari. We have talented trackers on each game viewer that assists the ranger in finding the animals. Together this team of ranger and tracker are able to more efficiently track down that special sighting you are looking for, in an immersive experience. Trackers, have the ability to see and read the signs of the bush that others might have missed. Having two qualified guides ensures that comfort and safety are always the highest priority.

There are many activities available at the lodge for you to enjoy during your stay; including morning and evening game drives in open vehicles, walks in the bush accompanied by an experienced guide, swimming and relaxing at the pools or enjoying a spa treatment, viewing wildlife from the hide & bird watching.

What happens when you can't get enough of the game viewing on game drive? You spend your time in our amazing Elephant hide of course. Our underground hide is situated mere meters away from the lodge's waterhole with non-stop action from Elephants rolling in the mud to terrapins poking their heads out from the water. With a fully stocked bar and the finest Italian coffee you wouldn't want to leave this air-conditioned paradise. The hide is ideal for the amateur and professional photographer alike, giving amazing opportunities to capture the natural behaviour of wildlife from the low angle perspective. Among our guides are some talented photographers who are happy to share their knowledge with you



Day 6 MADIKWE GAME RESERVE – JOHANNESBURG

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the Madikwe East Airstrip in time to board your departing flight. Your departure time will be advised by the lodge.

FEDERAL AIR FLIGHT

Depart Impodimo	11:30am
Arrive Johannesburg	12:30pm

Departure and arrival times may vary up to one hour.

ARRIVAL TRANSFER

On arrival in Johannesburg, a representative of Federal Air will transfer you from the Federal Air departure lounge to Johannesburg Airport where you will board the hotel shuttle service to your accommodation.

ACCOMMODATION

1 night at Peermont D'Oreale Grand Hotel in a Classic Room including breakfast

Unsurpassed luxury coupled with state-of-the-art facilities and easy access to O.R. Tambo International Airport makes the 5-star Peermont D'oreale Grande Hotel the perfect choice for guests looking for supreme comfort. The award-winning Peermont D'oreale Grande Hotel experience is enhanced by superior levels of service and guest relations. This luxury hotel also boast a gym and spectacular swimming pool.



Day 7 JOHANNESBURG – VICTORIA FALLS

After breakfast, take the hotel shuttle back to Johannesburg International Airport in time to check in for your departing flight.

SOUTH AFRICAN AIRLINK FLIGHT 4Z494

Depart Johannesburg	11:35am
Arrive Victoria Falls	1:20pm

ARRIVAL TRANSFER

On arrival in Victoria Falls a representative from Old Drift Lodge will meet you and transfer you to the lodge for check in. They will be clearly marked as Old Drift Lodge and be holding a sign with your name displayed.

ACCOMMODATION

3 nights at Old Drift Lodge in a Tented Suite.

Inclusions

Guided tour of the falls, Morning or Afternoon Game Drives in the Zambezi National Park, Morning or Afternoon Guided Walking Safaris, Morning or Afternoon River Safaris, Conservation Levy, Rainforest Entry Fee, Tourism Levy, A breakfast, brunch or lunch at Lookout cafe - per stay (incl drinks), All Meals, Drinks, Mini Bar, Emergency medical evacuation insurance, Return transfers from Victoria Falls or Livingstone Airport, Shuttle to Victoria Falls town

Exclusions

Emergency medical evacuation, Laundry, Premium Brand Spirits, Gratuities, Travel Insurance, Other incidentals, Premium wines and champagne, Telephone calls, Travel cancellation refunds, Items of a personal nature such as curio purchases and anything not specifically mentioned as included

Upstream of the iconic Victoria Falls in the Zambezi National Park lies a pristine piece of land on the banks of the Zambezi River. Nestled within this wild paradise is Old Drift Lodge, a place frequented by elephant, buffalo, zebra, giraffe, Lion and many other animals. The untouched natural beauty of the park is sprawled over 56 000 breath taking hectares.



The main lodge area boast 360 degree views, north facing onto the Zambezi & south facing onto a water hole. Only 4.5 kilometres from the town of Victoria Falls, Old Drift Lodge is the closest lodge within the National Park to Victoria Falls. Luxury boats transport guests to our natural utopia where we are able to accommodate guests in 10 double suites and 4 family suites.

Each air-conditioned suite is decorated with stylish furnishings, fitting of the bygone eras, which blend in seamlessly with the natural environment. The spacious canvas en-suite rooms all have a private lounge, indoor and outdoor showers, plunge pool and an outdoor bath overlooking the Zambezi.



Day 8 and 9 **VICTORIA FALLS**

Activities at Old Drift Lodge are carefully curated to provide a well-rounded safari experience that combines the excitement of wildlife encounters, the natural beauty of the Victoria Falls area, and the serenity of the African bush. Guests can tailor their stay to suit their interests and create memories that will last a lifetime.

These Activities are Included in your Old drift lodge stay.

Tour of the falls

Victoria Falls, often referred to as “The Smoke that Thunders,” is one of the world’s most famous and spectacular waterfalls. Located on the border between Zambia and Zimbabwe in southern Africa, Victoria Falls is a natural wonder that captivates all who visit.



Game Drives

Embark on an exhilarating journey through the untamed beauty of Victoria Falls, where the raw power of nature meets the thrill of adventure. The Victoria Falls Safari Drive is a captivating and immersive game drive experience that unveils the mesmerizing landscapes and remarkable wildlife of one of Africa’s most iconic destinations.

Lookout Cafe

The Lookout Cafe at Victoria Falls is a captivating and enchanting culinary haven nestled on the edge of the breathtaking Batoka Gorge. With its panoramic vistas and awe-inspiring views of one of the world’s most majestic natural wonders, the Lookout Cafe offers an unparalleled dining experience that marries exceptional cuisine with Mother Nature’s artistic prowess.

River Safari

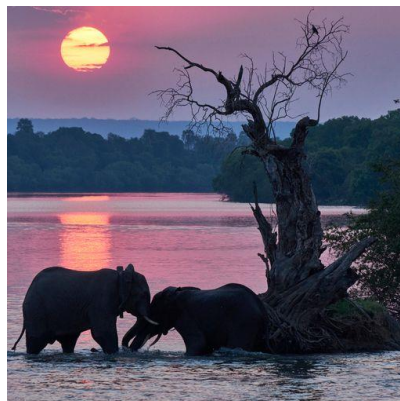
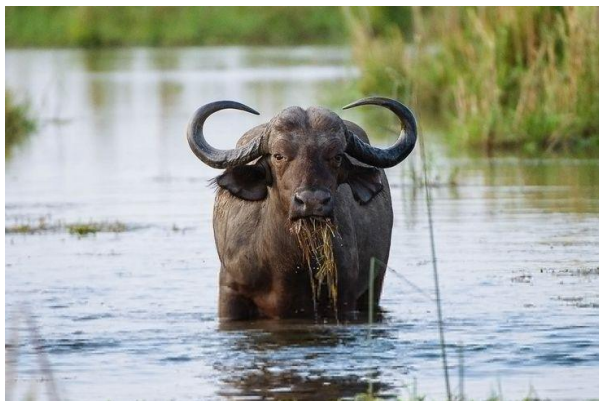
The Victoria Falls River Safari offers an exhilarating and immersive experience along the majestic Zambezi River, providing visitors with a unique opportunity to explore the abundant wildlife and captivating landscapes of the Victoria Falls region.

Walking Safari

Embark on an unforgettable adventure into the heart of nature’s majesty with a walking safari at Victoria Falls. Nestled at the crossroads of Zimbabwe and Zambia, this unique and captivating experience offers an intimate encounter with Africa’s pristine wilderness, allowing you to immerse yourself in the sights, sounds, and sensations of the natural world like never before.

River side sundowners

The Riverside Sundowners in Victoria Falls offer a breathtaking and unforgettable experience that perfectly captures the magic of this natural wonder. Nestled along the picturesque banks of the Zambezi River, this enchanting setting provides the ideal vantage point to witness the spectacular African sunset cast its golden hues over the iconic Victoria Falls.



Day 10

VICTORIA FALLS – OKAVANGO DELTA

DEPARTURE TRANSFER

This morning you will be transferred across the border to Kasane Airport, Botswana in time to board your departing flight to the breath-taking Okavango Delta.

Old Drift Lodge will advise you of your departure time and flight time.

SAFARI AIR

Depart Kasane

11:15am – approximately

Arrive Xakanaxa Camp

Inter-camp air transfer times vary and may have up to 3 stops en route to their destination.

LUGGAGE

The luggage is limited to 1 x piece of luggage to a maximum of 15kgs per person – soft sided bags only – no wheels or frames or rigid sides. An additional piece of luggage to a maximum of 5kgs per person – hand luggage – is also allowed.

This is an air safety requirement and must be strictly adhered to. The aircraft used are small and specifically designed for bush conditions so adherence to weight limits is part of rigid enforcement of air safety.

Clients travelling with excess luggage may use in-house storage facilities or alternatively if travelling between Kasane & Maun we will courier at an additional charge.

ARRIVAL TRANSFER

On arrival at Xakanaxa Camp, you will be met and assisted with check in.

ACCOMMODATION

3 nights at Xakanaxa Camp in a Safari Tent.

Inclusions

Scheduled activities, Government Levies & Tax, Impact Levy, National Park Fees, All Meals, Local Spirits & Wines, Refreshments, Laundry

Exclusions

Emergency medical evacuation, Premium Brand Spirits, Gratuities, Travel Insurance, Other incidentals, Premium wines and champagne, Telephone calls, Travel cancellation refunds, Items of a personal nature such as curio purchases and anything not specifically mentioned as included.

Boasting one of the finest locations in the Moremi, Xakanaxa Camp (pronounced Ka-ka-na-ka) lies on a pretty stretch of the reed fringed banks of the Khwai River, in the beating heart of the Okavango. This is prime game viewing area. Set on one of the few permanent channels of the Okavango, this is one of the few camps able to offer boating year round- as well as superb game viewing on 4x4 game drives.



Xakanaxa Camp is a stylish but authentic camp with a homely atmosphere, it is an old favourite for many who return time and again to this special camp. The main buildings extend over the Khwai River on raised platforms to maximize the views over the surrounding lagoons and islands, there are plenty of comfortable areas and nooks to relax and soak up the beautiful surroundings. Constructed of local timber, reed and thatch Xakanaxa Camp comprises of an elegant lounge containing a small but comprehensive library, dining room, expansive sundeck, plunge pool and sala with day bed as well as a fire-deck set under giant Jackal berry trees.

The 12 rooms are true to the authentic safari experience being all canvas- though very comfortable with all the comforts you could wish- and each features a private deck with loungers and ensuite bathroom.



The reception lounge boasts a curio shop. The camp operates on generator power but at night all lighting is supplied by battery powered lamps, candles and paraffin lanterns, giving the camp an authentic African ambience.

Camp Xakanaxa has a genuinely friendly atmosphere with a strong sense of the traditional safari camps of old- it is an authentic camp with a real sense of place. The service is warm and welcoming, in a style for which Africa is so famous. A great number of the camp staff have been looking after guests at Xakanaxa for more than ten years and make every effort to make you feel at home.

Day 11 and 12 OKAVANGO DELTA

The ancient riverine forests, open savannah, serpentine channels and seasonal floodplains that surround the camp make for a varied habitat of exceptional fauna and flora.

The camp is one of few offering a year-round land and water game-viewing experience, in open 4×4 safari vehicles or powerboats.

The diverse habitat ensures prolific sightings of Elephant, Buffalo, Hyena, Giraffe, Hippo, Wildebeest, Kudu, Lechwe, Lion and Leopard, among many others. Birding is spectacular, especially in the spring and summer months when the migrants are breeding.

Safari activities are conducted by licensed guides eager to share their in-depth knowledge and impart the treasured secrets of this great wilderness.



Day 13 OKAVANGO DELTA

DEPARTURE TRANSFER

After breakfast you will be transferred back to the airstrip for your departing flight on to the next camp.

Xakanaxa Camp will advise you of the departure time and flight times.

SAFARI AIR

Depart Xakanaxa Camp

Arrive Xugana Island

Inter-camp air transfer times vary and may have up to 3 stops en route to their destination.

ARRIVAL TRANSFER

On arrival at Xugana Island you will be met and assisted with check in.

ACCOMMODATION

3 nights at Xugana Island Lodge in a Chalet.

Inclusions

Scheduled activities, Government Levies & Tax, Impact Levy, National Park Fees, All Meals, Local Spirits & Wines, Refreshments, Laundry.

Exclusions

Emergency medical evacuation, Premium Brand Spirits, Gratuities, Travel Insurance, Other incidentals, Premium wines and champagne, Telephone calls, Travel cancellation refunds, Items of a personal nature such as curio purchases and anything not specifically mentioned as included.



Xugana Lagoon is widely accepted as being the most spectacular permanent water site in the entire Okavango Delta, overlooking a permanent deep water lagoon. Xugana Island Lodge is situated on a rich private concession and takes full advantage of this magnificent site offering a classic water safari experience.

Xugana Island Lodge lies on the beautiful and game rich Shinde concession in the eastern Okavango. The land is a maze of lagoons, channels and pretty palm islands. With access to large tracts of dry land it can offer very productive game viewing too. It is one of the very few camps able to offer water activities year round, as well as walking and game drives. Whatever the time of year- Xugana Island Camp offers a quintessential Okavango experience.

Xugana Island Lodge accommodates just 16 guests in 8 large raised reed and thatch lagoon facing chalets, with en-suite facilities and private viewing decks situated on the shaded fringe of the island. There is a strong sense of being a world away from everyday life here- it is a haven of peace and tranquillity- apart from the honking hippos!

An open boma and al fresco dining area overlooks the expanse of pristine water that makes up the permanent Delta. The lounge, bar and dining areas are set back under an Ebony and African Mangosteen tree canopy in open sided thatched structures, and the swimming pool, located within the mature gardens in the centre of the island, Xugana Island Lodge is a perfect place to relax.



Day 14 and 15 OKAVANGO DELTA

Exploring the Delta by motorboat or canoe (mokoro), combined with walking on surrounding islands in the concession, gives guests the chance to experience a classic Okavango Delta safari. Bird-watching opportunities at Xugana Island Lodge are outstanding, and fishing for bream and tiger fish is also offered as an activity at the lodge.



Day 16**OKAVANGO DELTA – MAUN****DEPARTURE TRANSFER**

After breakfast you will be transferred back to the airstrip for your departing flight.

Xugana Island Lodge will advise you of the departure time and flight times.

SAFARI AIR

Depart Xugana Island	Times to be confirmed during your stay
Arrive Maun	

Inter-camp air transfer times vary and may have up to 3 stops en route to their destination.

Safari Air seat departure times from/to Maun are co-ordinated with the arrival/ departure of scheduled regional flights from/to Johannesburg and Cape Town.

On arrival in Maun, check in for your onward flight.

SOUTH AFRICAN AIRLINK FLIGHT 4Z494 – (confirmed by own arrangements)

Depart Maun	11:35am
Arrive Johannesburg	1:20pm

QANTAS FLIGHT QF064 – (confirmed by own arrangements)

Depart Johannesburg	6:40pm
Arrive Sydney	2:35pm

QANTAS FLIGHT QF147 – (confirmed by own arrangements)

Depart Sydney	5:50pm
Arrive Auckland	10:55pm

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