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Botswana Green Season Photo Expedition

Explore Desert & Delta in the Kalahari & Okavango, with Dramatic Skies & Baby Animals

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Trip Details:

Days
10 Days / Feb–Mar, Dec

Price
From $19995 (+Air)

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Botswana's shoulder season holds peak prospects for nature photographers. When light seasonal rains bring moisture to the arid Kalahari, landscapes are transformed with color and drama. Life bursts forth, with fresh grass attracting migrating herds and new births filling the plains. Clouds mass in charcoal and silver and create stunning orange sunsets. From January to April, photograph Africa's second-largest migration, with 50,000 zebra and wildebeest passing through the Kalahari. Meet the San people, the earliest hunter-gatherers in southern Africa, whose culture dates back more than 30,000 years. In the Okavango Delta, water levels are typically low during this season, and the drier region of the delta offers superb wildlife photography, with stable populations of lion, leopard, wild dog and much more. Highlights include a doors-off helicopter flight over the Okavango Delta, a visit with a predator researcher at Gomoti Camp, private stays at intimate luxury camps, and personal photography coaching from your Expedition Leader who is one of Africa's top photo safari guides!

Trip Highlights

Intimate & Abundant Wildlife Photo Encounters

Amid Botswana's prolific big game, you'll have matchless photo opportunities, with just four guests per safari vehicle and a superb naturalist-photographer guide

Doors-Off Helicopter Flight for Aerial Photography

Fly over the Okavango Delta—with an open side view!—to capture spectacular images and video of the verdant watery maze and wildlife on the move

Photograph Victoria Falls at Peak Volume

Stand on the rim of Victoria Falls during its mightiest seasonal flow, producing enough spray to create a rainforest microclimate on the edge

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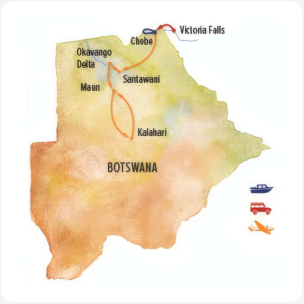


Botswana Green Season Photo Expedition Itinerary

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Itinerary at a Glance

Day 1	Livingstone
Day 2	Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park
Day 3	Chobe National Park / Okavango Delta
Days 4–5	Okavango Delta
Days 6–8	Central Okavango
Days 9–11	Eastern Kalahari / Makgadikgadi Pans
Day 12	Maun



Day 1

Livingstone

Begin beside the Zambezi with a sunset photography cruise

- Stay at a riverside safari camp overlooking the Zambezi
- Capture images of elephants, hippos and abundant birdlife in the evening light
- Join your Photo Expedition Leader for a welcome dinner and preview of the safari ahead

Our Botswana photo tour begins just over the border in Livingstone, Zambia, where our Expedition Leader meets you on arrival at the airport. Transfer to Toka Leya Camp, which enjoys a superb setting on the banks of the mighty Zambezi. Individual chalets face west over the river for expansive sunset views. Keep your camera ready, as we frequently see elephants and hippos on shore. A sunset cruise offers a chance to photograph the river scenery before returning to camp for a welcome dinner.

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Day 2

Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park

Frame Victoria Falls and track protected white rhinos on foot

- Photograph Victoria Falls from viewpoints above the Zambezi Gorge
- Visit a nearby village for insight into daily life
- Approach protected white rhinos with expert guides

Our focus today is Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park with its centerpiece, Victoria Falls, which we explore on a guided walking tour along the rim this morning. The world's most astounding cataract, Victoria Falls spans more than a mile and plummets 350 feet into the Zambezi Gorge below, producing so much spray that the intense moisture has created a rainforest microecosystem on the rim. A network of walkways offers varying viewpoints over the falls, with exciting photography opportunities.

Next, we visit a nearby village to learn about the culture and daily life of the local people. Then, we head farther into the national park to look for white rhinos—our best chance to see them up close. This small but growing population currently numbers 10 individuals including calves. They're carefully managed and protected from poaching by around-the-clock armed guards. Because predators do not live in the park, we approach the rhinos via a short walk through the diverse landscape, a combination of tall riverine forests, woodland and open grasslands. We're likely to see elephants, giraffes, baboons, plentiful birds and zebra. But the true prize is encountering the placid rhinos, endangered icons of the African wild. During the excursion, we follow the rhinos' movements and observe their behavior as we learn about the critical conservation measures striving to bring this population — and the entire species — back from the brink.

Day 3

Chobe National Park / Okavango Delta

Cruise among Chobe's elephants before flying into the Okavango Delta

- Photograph elephants, hippos, crocodiles and waterbirds from a private Chobe River cruise
- Take in aerial views of the Okavango Delta by light aircraft
- Stay at Nat Hab's intimate Gomoti Camp, reserved exclusively for your group

Leaving Zambia by road, we reach the Kazungula border on the Chobe River, where Botswana, Zambia, Zimbabwe and Namibia meet. Entering Botswana, our destination is Chobe National Park, known for its enormous elephant herds and stable population of general wildlife species throughout the year. On a private boat cruise on the Chobe River, expect to photograph elephant, hippo, crocodile, and possibly the more elusive puku and Chobe bushbuck. Up to 400 bird species reside in the park at this time of year, and waterbirds abound, especially herons, storks and egrets. Later this afternoon, fly by light aircraft to Gomoti Tented Camp in the community-owned Santawani Concession in the Okavango Delta. This intimate camp, reserved exclusively for our group, offers the utmost in a private, secluded experience of the delta—an optimal base for wildlife photography.

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Days 4–5

Okavango Delta

Photograph predators and meet a resident wildlife researcher

- Capture images of lions, leopards, cheetahs and African wild dogs on wildlife drives
- Search for nocturnal species on drives after dark
- Learn about local wild dog and predator research during a private visit with an on-site researcher

Earth's largest inland water system, the Okavango Delta, became UNESCO's 1,000th World Heritage Site in 2014. The Okavango River's headwaters lie in the western highlands of Angola, joining with other rivers in Namibia and Botswana to meet the Kalahari Desert, where a green oasis sprawls amid the sands and dry savanna. With its vast network of channels and wetlands, the delta is home to a profuse collection of wildlife and vegetation. Though some of the region is permanently flooded (or typically has been), the water recedes during the southern summer months, and normally wetter areas of the delta open up for game drives and expansive wildlife photo opportunities. Specific wildlife sightings, while always abundant, will depend on seasonal water levels. Among the many species we may have a chance to photograph are leopard, lion, wild dog, hyena, cheetah, giraffe, elephant, impala, kudu, zebra, wildebeest and buffalo. Wildlife is abundant around camp, and we often see animals wandering through. Birdlife is also outstanding, and we may see ground hornbill, crimson-breasted shrike and yellow morph, among dozens of others.

The diverse range of habitats, plus the year-round lifeline of the Gomoti River, make this region ideal for all-day photography excursions including on traditional 4x4 game drives and night drives. A mix of riverine woodlands, acacia scrub and open floodplains provides ample food for a large array of browsers and grazers, as well as predators. During a private visit with an on-site predator researcher, learn about local studies on wild dog, cheetah and leopard. After each day's adventures, retreat to the comfort of our camp, where paraffin hurricane lanterns and the glow of a campfire lend romantic ambience.

Days 6–8

Central Okavango

Take to the skies for aerial photography above the Okavango

- Explore delta channels by traditional mokoro when water levels permit
- Photograph buffalo, elephants, lions, leopards and abundant birdlife
- Fly above the delta on a doors-off helicopter photography excursion

Fly this afternoon to the center of the Okavango Delta for a three-night stay on the private Jao Concession, marked by palm-studded islands, riverine forest and sprawling floodplains. Our secluded camp is set within a productive wetland that nurtures prolific wildlife, which we'll photograph in thrilling proximity on 4x4 drives, guided walks (safety permitting), boat rides and poled mokoro excursions if water levels permit. The mokoro is the traditional dugout canoe of the delta, and Okavango-born polers reveal intimate secrets of delta life as we spot tiny frogs and colorful waterbirds. (Please note that water levels and activities may vary based on actual amounts of annual rainfall).

The Okavango is dramatic big-game country, home to plentiful buffalo, blue wildebeest, giraffe, zebra, bushbuck, tsessebe, water-adapted antelope like red lechwe and the rare sitatunga, and, of course, elephants. And where game thrives, so do predators—keep cameras poised for shots of lion, leopard and hyena on the prowl. In the channels, capture photos of hippos and crocodiles, plus scores of birds in the marshes. Pel's fishing owl is a prize sighting, and we may also spot African and lesser jacanas, slaty egret, African skimmer, wattled crane and malachite kingfisher, to name just a few. A highlight of our time in this region is a 30-minute helicopter flight over the greater Okavango Delta...with doors off for the most spectacular photography opportunities! Back in camp, there's time to review and edit photos from the day's exploits. Later, sleep comes easily under canvas as we're lulled by the soothing sounds of the African night.

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Days 9–11

Eastern Kalahari / Makgadikgadi Pans

Capture images of meerkats and desert wildlife on the salt pans

- Search for gemsbok, springbok and black-maned Kalahari lions
- Photograph a habituated colony of wild meerkats at close range
- Meet San community members and learn about their enduring traditions

Thrilling photography prospects are in store as we transfer by light aircraft to the eastern side of the 360,000-square-mile Kalahari Desert, offering an aerial view on the stark landscape and roaming wildlife below. Our tented camp rests on the edge of the world's largest salt pan, an oasis of comfort shaded by acacia and palm trees. The Makgadikgadi Pans formed when an ancient lake evaporated thousands of years ago, and these shallow depressions are all that remain of once-enormous Lake Makgadikgadi. Today, this vast expanse of salt glitters in the intense sun, evoking a moonscape. The only visible plant life is a thin layer of blue-green algae, but seasonal rains turn the pans into an important habitat for migrating animals, including wildebeest and one of Africa's largest zebra populations, along with the predators that pursue them, including the famous Kalahari black-maned lions.

Have your camera ready as we look for unusual desert-adapted creatures on private game drives, heading out in search of gemsbok, springbok, red hartebeest, steenbok, plus many small mammals such as honey badger and mongoose, and plentiful birds and reptiles. We'll also interact with a friendly habituated colony of meerkats. The Kalahari is the ancient home of the San people, who have subsisted in these austere environs for more than 30,000 years. Our time includes cultural engagements offering insight into the history and traditions of the clans in the area. Back at camp each night, enjoy some of the best stargazing on the planet.

Day 12

Maun

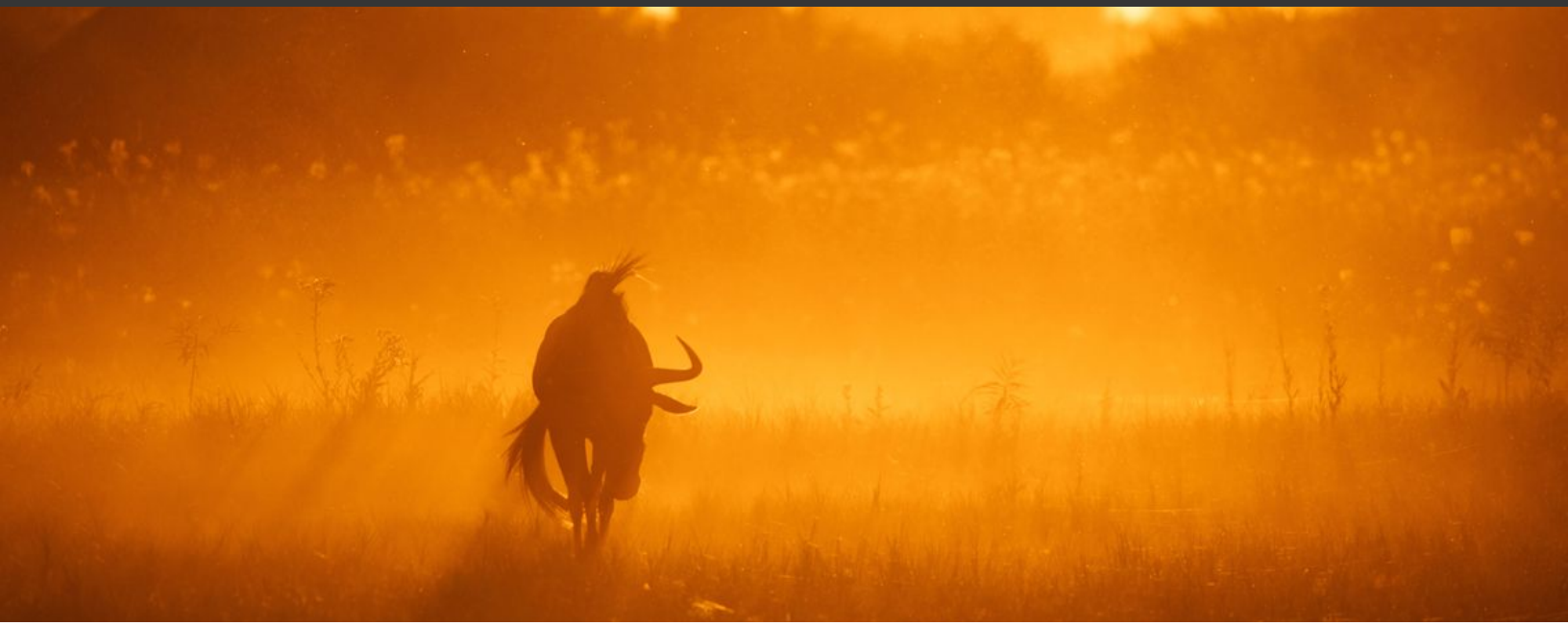
Depart Botswana after a final morning in the bush

- Enjoy one last wildlife photography opportunity
- Fly to Maun for onward connections

Our Botswana photo safari comes to a close today when we depart by air for Maun to connect with onward flights.

Click here *to view the seasonal variations of weather and wildlife viewing in Botswana.*

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Botswana Green Season Photo Expedition Accommodations

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Toka Leya

Set on the Zambezi River near Victoria Falls, Toka Leya Camp offers refined comfort and eco-conscious design amid sweeping views of Zambia's wildlife and wilderness.



Nat Hab's Gomoti Camp–Okavango South

Set on the edge of the Okavango Delta and reserved exclusively for our use, this camp features raised en suite tents and lounge overlooking a watering hole frequented by wildlife.



Nat Hab's Pelo Camp–Heart of the Delta

Typically accessed by boat, Nat Hab's Pelo Camp offers total seclusion, abundant wildlife and private tented comfort on a heart-shaped island in the Okavango Delta.



Camp Kalahari

Nestled among acacias and Mokolwane palms on Hyena Island at the edge of the vast Makgadikgadi Salt Pans, 10 spacious Meru tents occupy the historic site of storied expeditions.

For detailed descriptions, visit nathab.com/africa/botswana-kalahari-photo-expedition/accommodations.

A Less Common Photo Safari...for More Distinctive Images!

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A photography adventure in Botswana's Kalahari Desert and Okavango Delta during the green season is distinctive in its own right. But to do it the way we do it—in a very small group, maximizing seclusion, with close-up wildlife encounters in especially remote areas—takes this photo safari to a whole different level.

1 **The Smallest Group—Just 8 Guests Divided Between Two Vehicles**

Photo opportunities in nature are enhanced in quieter contexts—that's why we limit this photo safari to just eight guests (divided into two vehicles with four travelers each). This very small group size ensures the most personalized experience possible in secluded locations where other visitors are few.

2 **A Diverse Summer Season Itinerary**

Our less-conventional itinerary offers an experience of Botswana's prolific wildlife during a season when new life abounds but other travelers do not. We've designed it to showcase a diverse array of habitats for the best range of wildlife photography—including Africa's second-largest migration of zebra and wildebeest from January to April.

3 **Private Reserves Facilitate Solitude**

In contrast to more heavily visited national parks, we stay in seclusion on Botswana's premier private reserves, including a coveted location next to Makgadikgaki Pans National Park with easy access to all the activities the area has to offer. At this time of year, floodwaters are receding in some areas of the Okavango Delta, opening up vast areas for wildlife viewing on land. In addition to regular daytime game drives, we also do exciting night drives, not allowed in the public parks, in search of nocturnal wildlife.

4 **Intimate Luxury Camps**

A stand-apart element of this safari is our exceptionally small and secluded camps. Within the privately owned Santawani Concession, Gomoti Camp is ours alone, offering an encounter with the African wilderness evocative of a century ago—which very few safari-goers get to experience.

5 **Chartered Flights Maximize Your Time for Photography**

We book seats on chartered light aircraft for transfers between safari locations, increasing your time with wildlife and maximizing comfort by eliminating long drives over rough dirt roads. On our Photo Expedition, we include an additional baggage allowance so you can take all your camera gear, too—a real plus when you compare operators and options.

6 **An Open "Window" Seat for Every Guest**

The top-quality safari vehicles we charter have open sides (no glass to impede your shots) and 10 cushioned passenger seats—one in front next to the driver followed by three rows of three seats each. Yet we limit our capacity to just four travelers per vehicle on photo safaris! Furthermore, the three rows of seats are tiered—those in the rear sit up higher so no one's forward view is impaired.This ensures maximum comfort, viewing, space for gear, and easy photo opportunities.

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7 **Private Verandas for Personal Wildlife Photography**

Our luxury tented safari camps have private verandas so you never miss a chance to encounter animals that may wander past—and enjoy snapping impromptu shots from your own secluded space.

8 **Doors-Off Helicopter Flight over the Okavango Delta**

Your Photo Expedition includes an exciting helicopter flight, with doors off for the best photography access! Soar over the mosaic of marshes and islands that comprise the Okavango Delta, one of the richest wildlife enclaves in all Africa. Year-round water supports an abundance of animals that we survey from the sky, getting unique aerial shots of creatures on the move.

9 **The World's Finest Naturalist Guides**

We're proud to work with the best-trained, most experienced Photo Expedition Leaders in Africa—guides who hold equal expertise as naturalists and photographers. Your Expedition Leader accompanies your group from start to finish, ensuring highly personalized service. Our also have additional training resources provided by WWF scientists, to further enhance your interpretive experience. Our philosophy is simple: an African safari is only as good as the guide, so we must provide the very best! See Expedition Leader bios with traveler comments regarding the quality of our leaders.

10 **Our Quality-Value Guarantee Ensures Your Outstanding Photo Safari**

Every traveler receives Nat Hab's exclusive guarantee, which clearly states that we will meet the lofty expectations we set in our promotional materials. To our knowledge, this is the most ambitious guarantee made by any adventure travel company. Read our important promise.

11 **Feel Good About Your Carbon-Neutral Journey**

We care deeply about our planet, as we know you do. When you travel with us, the carbon emissions from your trip are 100% offset—including your round-trip flights from home. Natural Habitat Adventures became the world's first carbon-neutral travel company in 2007.

12 **Natural Habitat Adventures is WWF's Travel Partner**

Because of our commitment to environmentally friendly travel, as well as the exceptional quality of our adventures, World Wildlife Fund—the world's leading environmental conservation organization—has named Natural Habitat Adventures as its worldwide travel partner, a designation that makes us exceedingly proud.

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Dates & Pricing Summary:

Price
From $19995 (+Air)

Group Size
Limited to 8 Travelers

Botswana Green Season Photo Expedition Dates, Pricing & Info

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2027 Departures

Departure – Return	Pricing	Notes
Feb 6 - Feb 17, 2027	**$20495** +internal air	
Mar 5 - Mar 16, 2027	**$20495** +internal air	
Dec 27, 2027 - Jan 7, 2028	**$19995** +internal air	

2028 Departures

Departure – Return	Pricing	Notes
Prices and dates not confirmed for 2028		
Feb 4 - Feb 13, 2028	**From $19995** +internal air	
Mar 2 - Mar 11, 2028	**From $19995** +internal air	
Dec 31, 2028 - Jan 9, 2029	**From $19995** +internal air	

See https://www.nathab.com/africa/botswana-kalahari-photo-expedition/dates-fees for the latest pricing details.

Included

- **Trip price includes:** Accommodations in intimate safari camps, services of Nat Hab's professional Expedition Leader, local guides and camp staff, premier open-sided 4-wheel drive Land Cruisers or Rovers, private Chobe boat cruise, visit with predator researcher at Gomoti Camp, all meals from dinner on Day 1 through breakfast on final day, some alcoholic beverages, some gratuities, airport transfers on Day 1 and final day, all activities and entrance fees, all taxes, permits and service fees.
- **Private helicopter flight** over the Okavango Delta, plus additional aircraft weight allowance for photo gear.

Not Included

Travel to and from the start and end point of your trip, some alcoholic beverages, some gratuities, passport and visa fees (if any), optional activities, items of a personal nature (phone calls, laundry, etc.), airline baggage fees, airport and departure taxes (if any), required medical evacuation insurance, optional travel protection insurance.

Internal air: All light aircraft flights within the itinerary (this will be listed separately on our invoicing).

Important Information About This Trip

During Botswana's green season, photography and game viewing offer a unique experience, as mother ungulates give birth at this time and the lush landscape provides a spectacular backdrop against which to observe the animals. To maximize access to the most exciting and remote areas, we stay in luxury tented camps (all amenities en suite) to provide comfort while enhancing the total safari experience. Changes to the itinerary may occur on these trips in order to take advantage of conditions unique to the season. Depending upon availability, itineraries may run in a different order from what is designated.

Mandatory Insurance

Since the areas we travel to are remote and wild (that's why we go there!), we require that all guests have, at minimum, medical evacuation insurance for this program. This is for the safety of all guests. We require that your chosen independent insurance plan includes at least $250,000 in medical evacuation coverage.

To protect your investment and to provide peace of mind while you travel, we also strongly recommend purchasing comprehensive travel insurance. Plans may cover everything from medical treatment to trip cancellations and delays and lost luggage. Please contact our office if you would like more information about the medical evacuation and comprehensive travel insurance policies we offer by calling 800-543-8917.

Getting There & Getting Home

This trip begins in Livingstone, Zambia, and ends in Maun, Botswana. Because this is a long international journey, **we recommend that you arrive at least one night prior to Day 1** to rest from your travels and begin the trip refreshed. For guests who come in early, recommended hotels will be included in your pre-departure materials. You must arrive in Livingstone before 1 pm on Day 1 in order to join the group for the first scheduled activities.

You may depart Maun anytime after 1:30 pm on the final day.

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Our Natural Habitat Adventures Nat Hab Air Team can best assist with your travel reservations, as our staff is familiar with the specific requirements of this program and can help arrange the most efficient itinerary. Please call us at 800-543-8917. While we offer the best available rates to us on airfare and additional nights' accommodations, you may occasionally find special web rates or lower fares online.



Botswana Green Season Photo Expedition Extensions

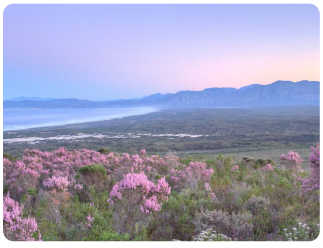
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Cape Town Extension

Discover one of the world's most entrancing cities and its natural environs. Survey the view from Table Mountain, explore the Cape Peninsula, visit Cape Point Nature Reserve, see penguins at Boulders Beach, and tour the Winelands.

$2495



Wild Cape Coast Extension

From our luxury ecolodge base on the Grootbos Private Nature Reserve, explore pristine coastal wilderness including the rare Cape Floral plant kingdom and Stony Point penguin colony.

$3595



Sabi Sand Extension

An exclusive safari experience on a 160,000-acre private reserve that's one of Africa's best places to spot the famous Big Five—choose among intimate luxury camps and secluded boutique lodges.

$5495



Namibia Desert Extension

Namibia's towering sand dunes, arid canyons and desert-adapted wildlife offer a distinct contrast to other southern Africa safari destinations—look for endangered black rhino, desert elephant and more.

$7395 (+air)

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