



A ZAMBIAN SAFARI EXPERIENCE ESPECIALLY FOR WOMEN

An exclusive 18 day **Zambian Safari Tour** for women who prefer not to travel alone (includes 3 night luxury stopover in Dubai on the way home)

This tour caters for women of all ages & interests, travelling in a small group of up to ten.

It is designed to deliver a host of memorable experiences from staying in an historic hotel; to a private visit to Lilayi's GRI Elephant Orphanage Project. You will enjoy private rooms in Safari Lodges and hotels with grazing zebra, spectacular river views and peaceful sunset dinners.

Highlights include a helicopter flight over the Victoria Falls, a safari cruise on the Zambezi River, safaris in two very different national parks, a visit to the local Women's Handbag Cooperative, morning tea with the local Rangers, relaxing by the pool at the David Livingstone Lodge, local markets, artisans and museums.

Local Travel by private coach, plane and boats.

Itinerary

Day 1: June 8 - Leave Australia for Dubai then Lusaka

Day 2: June 9 - Lusaka

Arrive in Zambia's capital, Lusaka. Transfer one hour to Lilayi Lodge south east of Lusaka. This property, which has been in the hands of the Miller family for more than a century, will be our home for 5 nights. Spend the rest of the day discovering the property together.

Day 3: June 10 - Lilayi Lodge

We begin the day with an introduction to Zambia and welcome from an assistant to the Vice President, Mrs L Wena. Early afternoon we meet some of the team at the GRI Elephant Orphanage and spend the rest of the day going behind the scenes with the rescued baby elephants.

Day 4: June 11 - Lilayi Lodge

Early start today with a breakfast safari of bird watching for the 50 or more species found in these skies. (eg: African Masked Weaver; Trumpeter Hornbill; African Fish Eagle and the Striped Crested Cuckoo). Later in the day we take a walking safari to see giraffe, wildebeest and warthogs, along with many different species of antelope.

Day 5: June 12 - Lilayi Lodge

Visit to a local village to see crafts as well as the school and markets. We can deliver some of the "Carry for a Purpose" articles brought from home for the school.

Day 6: June 13 - Lilayi Lodge

Lusaka today – a little culture! We will begin with a visit to the National Zambian Art Institute and Gallery. A special lunch at the iconic Sugarbush Cafe where we can browse through works of local artists in many disciplines and take

a class if we wish. This evening our farewell dinner will be under the stars.

Day 7: June 14 - Livingstone

By plane to the south of Zambia. First stop Livingstone, staying at the Avani Victoria Falls Resort on the mighty Zambezi river and at the top of the falls.

River walk this afternoon. Dinner on the river as we cruise at sunset watching hippos and elephants.

Day 8: June 15 - Livingstone

Our day begins with a morning visit to the Mukuni Village to see the local crafts-people. After this, on to Wayawayaya, the Women's Cooperative, where handbags are made for sale by local women. This innovative workshop, based on the slow fashion movement and was begun by two Norwegian women. We will also visit the Livingstone museum where there is a special exhibition of Dr Livingstone! This evening we have a very traditional dinner at the luxurious Royal Livingstone hotel next door.



Day 9: June 16 - Victoria Falls

Township in Zimbabwe
We cross the river from Zambia and into Zimbabwe today. Our hotel will be the old, colonial Victoria Falls Hotel. Over high tea on the verandah, a local guide will tell us about the Falls. And we walk along the trail with him.

Day 10: June 17 - Victoria Falls Hotel

Before we go to the helipad, our driver will take us for a tour of the area. Then the helicopter will take us up over these amazing falls which stretch along the banks of the Zambezi between the two countries. An afternoon free to wander town and falls area. In the evening we are treated to a BOMA dinner with entertainment from the local tribal dancers.

Day 11: June 18 - Victoria Falls Hotel

After a later start this morning we will walk along the river to the station. Here our group will join the historic train for a sumptuous lunchtime journey. We cross the river on the old railway bridge and view the entire area as it was before colonisation.

Day 12: June 19 - David Livingstone Lodge

Cross to Zambia and travel to the Victoria National Park. This riverside lodge, named in honour of the famous British explorer, allows us access to some of the most beautiful scenery on the Zambesi. As we settle in to our final stop in Zambia, our hosts take us out in canoes. Silently we will move through the little islands and spend the afternoon in the tranquillity of this huge national park.

Day 13: June 20 - David Livingstone Lodge

We have an opportunity to get up close and personal with both lions and elephants today. Our hosts will take us to the Lion Park where we can walk with the lions that have been adopted there. Then after noon, we have coffee and hear from the rangers who manage the sanctuary for injured elephants at Elephant Cafe. Afternoon free for a spa 'inhouse' or watch the river pass by in a deck chair!

Day 14: June 21 - Livingstone to Lusaka

After a leisurely start to the day, we fly to Lusaka and connect with the Emirates flight to Dubai. We travel overnight, arriving the next day at breakfast time.

Day 15: June 22 - Dubai

On our arrival in Dubai, we are met and taken to our hotel – Sofitel Jumeirah beach. We have a relaxing breakfast on the beach and then off to see the city! A private boat takes us on a cruise along the historic city and old port of Dubai, stopping at the souks for time to wander. Late afternoon we take a private car to the Burj for cocktails at sunset on the 27th Floor of the famous Burj Al Arab.

Day 16: June 23 -Dubai

Morning at leisure. In the afternoon we join our driver on a journey into the desert. Here we escape from the city and experience the calm of the dunes. We stop to experience a cultural introduction and are the guests of locals for dinner in a traditional desert tent.

Day 17: June 24 - Dubai

Morning at leisure. In the afternoon we visit some of the historic Dubai. As the sun goes down, we meet our boat for an evening cruise over dinner.

Day 18: June 25 - Dubai – Home

Our plane leaves for home mid-morning.

Day 19: June 26 - Arrive Home

Prices start from \$13,700

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