

# **PURDUE ALUMNI**

# Africa's Wildlife

On Safari in Botswana, Zambia & Victoria Falls June 11-24, 2025

14 days from \$9,784 total price from Boston, New York, or Washington, DC (\$8,595 air, land & safari inclusive plus \$1,189 airline taxes and fees)



A Special Small Group Tour for Alumni & Friends of Purdue University



#### Dear Purdue Alumni and Friends,

We invite you to travel with us on a special 14-day small group journey to South Africa, Zimbabwe, Botswana, and Zambia. Encounter some of the planet's last unspoiled natural refuges in Southern Africa's great wildlife sanctuaries.

Begin in Johannesburg with a full day of touring the vibrant Soweto district, including a visit to Nelson Mandela's former home. Then spend three nights in Zimbabwe and experience the awe-inspiring Victoria Falls/Mosi-oa-Tunya. Next is Botswana's Chobe National Park, boasting one of Africa's largest concentrations of wildlife, for a three-night stay featuring exhilarating boat safaris and game drives. Conclude the adventure with a tour high-light: unparalleled wildlife viewing at South Luangwa National Park and a relaxing stay at the intimate Mfuwe Lodge. Discover Cape Town, South Africa's sparkling "Mother City," including the Cape Peninsula and Winelands, with an optional 4-day/3-night post-tour extension.

We are pleased to be sharing this departure with alumni and friends from a co-sponsoring institution. Space is limited to 24 guests total, and we expect this tour to fill quickly. Reserve today!

Sincerely,

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Trevor Foley (MS EDU'17) Senior Director, International Engagement & Alumni Travel Purdue for Life Foundation

#### PURDUE FOR LIFE RESERVATION FORM: AFRICA'S WILDLIFE

To reserve your place on tour, please call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free at 888-370-6765, or call the **Purdue for Life Foundation toll-free at 800-414-1541 or email alumnitravel@purdue.edu**. Please have the information outlined below available to share with an Odysseys Unlimited Travel Counselor or a Purdue for Life Foundation representative. *If you prefer*, you may instead complete the Reservation Form below and submit it to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. Once this request is received, a Travel Counselor from Odysseys Unlimited will contact you within two business days to securely take your credit card information for the deposit.

Please note that your reservation is not confirmed until your deposit is paid and processed. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or VISA, or by personal check. Final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure. If paying your deposit by check, please make check payable to **Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.** and include with the Reservation Send to:

Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. Attn: Special Interest Groups One Newton Place 275 Washington Street, Suite 300 Newton, MA 02458

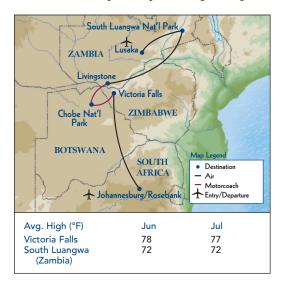
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| Post-Tour "Cape Town, South Africa" Extension: Please sign me/us up 🗅             |                                    |                       |  |  |

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A glimpse of a world primeval awaits on this singular safari to Botswana's Chobe National Park, where elephants preside over a bounty of wildlife; Zimbabwe's dazzling and powerful Victoria Falls; and Zambia's exceptional South Luangwa National Park, a remote jewel of an unspoiled preserve.



## **Physical Activity Level**

★★☆☆☆)Easy/Moderate

Walk 1-3 miles per day; multiple flights, including on smaller aircraft only accessible by stairs; game drives in open safari vehicles over bumpy, often dusty roads; must climb short ladder to embark/disembark safari vehicles

### Your Tour at a Glance

| Day   | Itinerary                      | Hotel                       | Rating              |
|-------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| 1     | Depart U.S. for Johannesburg   |                             |                     |
| 2-3   | Rosebank<br>(Johannesburg)     | 54 on Bath                  | Deluxe              |
| 4-6   | Victoria Falls                 | Pioneers Lodge              | Not rated           |
| 7-9   | Chobe<br>National Park         | Chobe Marina<br>Lodge       | Sup. First<br>Class |
| 10-12 | South Luangwa<br>National Park | Mfuwe Lodge                 | Deluxe              |
| 13    | Lusaka/<br>Depart for U.S.     | Ciêla, Lusaka<br>(day room) | Sup. First<br>Class |
| 14    | Arrive U.S.                    |                             |                     |

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference. Unrated hotels may be too small, too new, or too remote to be listed.

#### Day 1: Depart U.S. for Johannesburg, South Africa

**Day 2: Arrive Johannesburg** Upon arrival we transfer to our hotel in the suburb of Rosebank, where our rooms will be ready for our early check-in. As guests' arrival times may vary greatly, we have no group activities planned. *B* 

**Day 3: Johannesburg/Soweto** We meet our fellow travelers today as we embark on a tour of the Soweto district of Johannesburg. Here we see the home of former Archbishop Desmond Tutu; visit Nelson Mandela's home, which is now a museum; and tour the moving Hector Pieterson Memorial and Museum, where we learn more about apartheid and the Soweto uprising of 1976. Then we hear fascinating stories from a local Sowetan who was present during the uprising, followed by lunch at a local restaurant. Tonight we enjoy a welcome dinner together. *B,L,D* 

#### Day 4: Johannesburg/Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

We fly today to Victoria Falls and our lodge. This afternoon we see for ourselves the thundering falls, first "discovered" by David Livingstone and claimed for Queen Victoria in 1855. With its 300-foot-deep gorge and soaking spray, "Vic" Falls is a wonder of the natural world, straddling the border between Zambia and Zimbabwe. *B*,*D* 

**Day 5: Victoria Falls** This morning we embark on a game drive to spot the elusive – and critically endangered – black rhino. Late afternoon we embark on a "Sundowner" dinner cruise on the Zambezi where we see wildlife on shore and in the water. *B*,*D* 

**Day 6: Victoria Falls** After a morning visit to Victoria Falls town and a local village, this afternoon is at leisure to relax at our lodge. Tonight we hear a fascinating guest speaker on "The Story of David Livingstone," followed by dinner together. *B*,*D* 

Day 7: Victoria Falls/Chobe National Park, Botswana This morning we visit a nearby school then travel two hours by motorcoach to Botswana and Chobe National Park, boasting one of the largest concentrations of game in all of Africa. After settling in and enjoying lunch at our lodge, this afternoon we

Cover photo: Leader of the pride: a male lion rests before his next hunt.



Victoria Falls, the "smoke that thunders"

embark on a game-viewing boat safari on the Chobe River, where we may see hippo, crocs, and some of the park's 450 species of birds (including the sacred ibis, carmine bee-eaters, fish eagles, and kingfishers). We dine tonight at our lodge. B,L,D

**Day 8: Chobe National Park** Known for its diverse terrain that attracts an exceptional array of wildlife – including the world's largest elephant population (some 120,000), along with zebra, lion, giraffe, impala, and buffalo – Chobe covers 4,517 square miles of protected parkland. We'll see a portion of this natural wonder on our early morning game drive and this afternoon's boat safari. And this evening perhaps we'll see one of the sublime sunsets for which Chobe is known. *B,L,D* 

**Day 9: Chobe National Park** We're settling into a comfortable routine, with early morning and late afternoon game drives. In between game-viewing activities, we're at leisure to enjoy the amenities of our lodge on the banks of the Chobe River, adjacent to the park itself. *B*,*L*,*D* 

Day 10: Chobe National Park/South Luangwa

**National Park, Zambia** This morning we board a plane for the flight to South Luangwa National Park. Here in one of Africa's last stretches of pristine wilderness we have the chance to get closer to the animals than anywhere else. Late afternoon we engage in some of the lodge's game-viewing activities that include open-vehicle game drives and walking safaris, which originated in South Luangwa. *B,L,D* 

**Day 11: South Luangwa National Park** From our lodge situated inside the 3,500-square-mile national park established in 1972 and just a short drive from the main entrance, we embark on morning and evening game viewing excursions today. Thanks

to its remote location, South Luangwa was protected from mass tourism and today boasts one of Africa's highest concentrations of game. Among the fauna living here: lion, elephant, Cape buffalo, leopard, giraffe, zebra, hippos, wild dogs, and antelope. We also may catch some special sights, such as Zambia's Crawshay's zebras with their distinctive stripes, the

#### **Post-Tour Extension**

### June 23-28, 2025 Cape Town, South Africa

4 days/3 nights for \$1,695 total price Single Supplement: \$395

Discover South Africa's sparkling "Mother City," from Table Mountain and the Malay Quarter to the Cape Peninsula and the Winelands.

#### Your Tour Price Includes

- Air transportation Lusaka/Cape Town, inclusive of airline taxes and fees
- 3 nights' accommodations at The Winchester Hotel (Superior First Class)
- 7 meals: 4 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 1 dinner
- Extensive included sightseeing: full-day Cape Peninsula tour, and full-day Cape Town and Winelands tour
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited representative
- Private motorcoach/van transportation
- Transfers to/from airport
- Gratuities for dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers

Please note that guests on the extension will proceed directly to Cape Town and will not use the hotel day room in Lusaka on Day 13.

## The lion is the most handsome when looking for food."

– Rumi

elusive bushbuck, and the spiral-horned kudu. In addition, South Luangwa teems with almost 400 species of birds, including 39 birds of prey. When not out on safari, we visit a local school, and also see a borehole project which provides water for the community. *B*,*L*,*D* 

**Day 12: South Luangwa National Park** We have another day to savor life in the bush and engage in morning and evening game viewing activities. Set amidst a grove of ebony and mahogany trees, our 18-chalet lodge overlooks two lagoons that attract a steady stream of crocodiles, hippos, giraffe, buffalo, antelope, and other animals, which we can watch from lodge's open deck. Tonight, we celebrate our wildlife adventure at a farewell dinner. *B*,*L*,*D* 

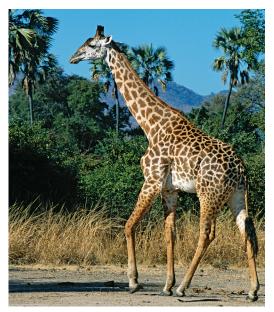
**Day 13: South Luangwa National Park/Lusaka/ Depart for U.S.** We travel by light aircraft today to Lusaka, Zambia's capital, where we have hotel day rooms until our departure this evening for the airport and our overnight flight to the U.S. *B* 



Elephants abound at Chobe

## Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities; all flights within itinerary
- 11 nights' accommodations in Deluxe, Superior First Class, and unrated hotels and lodges
- 29 meals: 12 breakfasts, 7 lunches, 10 dinners
- Extensive game viewing as described, including all park entrance fees
- Mineral/purified water while on safari
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for driver/guides, hotel and lodge staff, and porters



South Luangwa giraffe

**Day 14:** Arrive U.S. We arrive in the U.S. this morning and connect with our flights home.

| Tour Departs: June 11, 2025<br>Prices include int'l airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees. |                       |  |
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| Boston, New York,  | \$9,784               |  |
| Washington, DC   | <i><i><i></i></i></i> |  |
| Chicago, Philadelphia  | \$10,084              |  |
| Atlanta, Dallas,   |                       |  |
| Houston, Los Angeles,  | \$10,184              |  |
| San Francisco, Seattle   |                       |  |
| Baltimore, Charlotte,  |                       |  |
| Cincinnati, Cleveland,   |                       |  |
| Denver, Detroit, Miami,  | \$10,284              |  |
| Minneapolis, Orlando,  |                       |  |
| Phoenix, Portland (OR), Tampa  |                       |  |
| Indianapolis   | \$10,384              |  |
| Land Only (transfers not included)   | \$7,895               |  |

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of \$1,189, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add \$795. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Depending on flight schedules, certain U.S. cities may require a departure one day prior to the listed schedule above.

Business Class upgrade on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: \$5,995 per person from Chicago, Los Angeles, New York; \$7,495 from all other cities (upgrade is subject to availability and pricing is subject to change). Upgrade costs are in addition to the costs above.

For reservations and information, call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free: **1-888-370-6765** 

Monday–Friday, 9:00 AM–7:00 PM, Eastern Time Or call the Purdue for Life Foundation toll-free at

800-414-1541 or email us at alumnitravel@purdue.edu

#### **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

The following is intended to provide you with a description of what to expect when you reserve this tour. Upon booking, you will be asked to acknowledge your acceptance of the full Terms and Conditions on the secure on-line portal, My Odyssey.

Not Included in Tour Price: Airfare when purchasing a Land Only package; costs of passports and visas, if required; immunizations and inoculations; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; airport transfers when purchasing a Land Only package; communication charges; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities: \$10-\$15 per traveler, per day); optional sightseeing; and travel protection insurance. Additional baggage fees may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

Cancellations, Refunds, and Changes: If you must cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.'s receipt of your notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges: cancel 95 days or more before departure: 5200 charge; cancel 94-65 days before departure: 50% of tour price; cancel 64-30 days before departure: 75% of tour price; cancel 99-0 days before departure: no refund. If you make any changes to your reservation from 94 to 30 days prior to departure, 0dysseys Unlimited, Inc. will apply a \$100 per person administrative fee, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason, you will be charged the single supplement. No changes are allowed within 30 days of departure. Upon reservation, you must provide your full legal name as it appears on your passport, as well as your date of birth and gender. In the event an airline ticket's reissue.

**Responsibility:** The liability of the Purdue for Life Foundation, as sponsor, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, and restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under our control. We serve only as agents for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, or of their employees, agents, servants, or representatives. The Purdue for Life Foundation and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within our control including, without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air carriers, cruise lines, and other independent suppliers. We will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require us to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality.

Health and Medical Issues: We request that you be in good health to participate in this tour. There is a reasonable amount of walking, and you must be able to get on and off motorcoaches, safari vehicles, and boats on your own. We regret that we cannot offer individual assistance; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that many of our tour itineraries, for reasons beyond our control, do not accommodate wheelchairs. Please call or e-mail us to inquire and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have. We reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical or mental condition, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other passengers. In that event, the Purdue for Life Foundation and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour.

Air Transportation – Important Information: Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round-trip economy air from designated gateway cities as shown, and contracts with those airlines the company feels provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer a more direct connection, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. Please note that seat assignment on your international flight is usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. is unable to guarantee any seat assignments. Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including, but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, Land Only is available on most tours. Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.



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