



2012 Our Choices : BUSH AND BEACH

This itinerary is unique to Southern Africa. Where else in the world can you experience Africa's "Big 5" lion, leopard, elephant, rhino and buffalo and the next day be in tropical Mozambique about to dive with Whale Sharks and Manta Rays. This itinerary is also ideal for a diver with a non-diving partner. We can tailor this itinerary by extending your wildlife safari or the time spent diving the pristine tropical coral reefs of Mozambique.

Day 01. 2012:

Arrive Johannesburg International Airport, own arrangements. After clearing Customs and Immigration you will walk the short distance to the Domestic Departures Hall where you will connect with the domestic flight to Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport, own arrangements.

Upon arrival at Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport you will be met by Dive The Big 5 for the 2 hour road transfer to Notten's Bush Camp in the Sabi Sabi Private Game Reserve. Overnight at Notten's Bush Camp on a fully inclusive basis. www.nottens.com

Included:

Road transfer from Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport to Notten's Bush Camp: Sabi Sand Reserve entrance fees; evening game drive depending on time of arrival at Notten's; Dinner; accommodation.

Excluded:

International / domestic air; breakfast; lunch; bar; items of a personal nature; gratuities.

Days 02 and 03. 2012:

Full day on Safari at Notten's Bush Camp.

The programme at all private lodges follow pretty much the same routine. Early morning wake up for tea and coffee before you set off for the dawn safari. You return to camp at about 09h00 for breakfast. The rest of the day is free to either go on a bush walk with your ranger, go to the pool to "chill out" during the heat of the day, go to the water hole to watch the animals come down to drink or to just relax in camp. Lunch is served at about 13h00 and the evening game drive departs at about 16h00. At sunset you stop "somewhere in the bush" for sun-downers and then you carry on into the night looking for the nocturnal animals with the aid of a powerful spot-lamp. The nocturnal animals are the cats such as lion, leopard, civet, serval, genet etc which you don't see during the day. You return to camp at about 20h30, depending on animal activity, for dinner which is usually in the "boma" under the African stars beside a roaring log fire. This is the way most people imagine an African Safari and is definitely the way to get the most out of your visit to Africa. Overnight at Notten's Bush Camp on a fully inclusive basis.

Included:

Morning game drive; Brunch; nature walk; high tea; afternoon/evening game drive; dinner; accommodation.

Excluded:

Bar; items of a personal nature; gratuities.

Day 04. 2012:

After the early morning game drive and "brunch" you will be collected from Notten's Bush Camp by Dive The Big 5 and transferred by road back to Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport where you will connect with the domestic flight back to Johannesburg International Airport, own arrangements.

On arrival at Johannesburg International Airports' Domestic Arrivals Hall you will walk the short distance to the City Lodge which is situated within the airport complex. Overnight at the CityLodge O.R.Tambo International Airport on a bed and breakfast basis. www.citylodge.co.za and click on the City Lodge, O.R.Tambo International Airport, Johannesburg.

Included:

Early morning game drive; brunch; road transfer from Notten's Bush Camp to Kruger Mpumalanga International airport; accommodation.

Excluded:

Domestic air; lunch; dinner; bar; items of a personal nature; gratuities.

Day 05.

2012:

After an early wake up call and breakfast you will walk the short distance to the international departures hall of O.R.Tambo International Airport to connect with the international flight to Inhambane, Mozambique, own arrangements. On arrival at Inhambane Airport you will be met by Barra staff who will transfer you by road to the Lodge. Overnight at Barra Lodge on a dinner, bed and breakfast basis. www.barraresorts.com and click on Barra Lodge.

Included:

Breakfast; road transfer to Barra Lodge; dinner; accommodation.

Excluded:

International air to Inhambane; departure and arrival taxes; Mozambique visa which can be purchased on arrival at Inhambane; lunch; bar; items of a personal nature; gratuities.

Days 06 and 07.

2012:

Early morning wake up calls to be at the dive centre for the pre-dive briefing, before launching the boat for the first dive of the day, weather permitting. The first dive is usually on one of the far reefs which could be up to 25km's from the launch site.

After the first dive you will return to the Lodge for breakfast and surface interval time. The second dive of the day is on one of the "house reefs", closer to the launch site, weather permitting. Whale Sharks are normally encountered on the boat ride to and from the reef. When the fin of the Whale Shark is spotted the skipper will drop you off in front of the animal, allowing the shark to swim up to the divers in the water. The amount of time spent in the water depends purely on the shark. Rest of the day free after the dive. Overnight at Barra Lodge on a dinner, bed and breakfast basis.

Included:

Breakfast; 1 x far reef dive and 1 x "House Reef" dive per day; tanks, weights and air; services of a local dive master; dinner; accommodation.

Excluded:

Equipment hire other than tanks, weights and air; additional dives; lunch; bar; items of a personal nature; gratuities.

Day 08.

2012:

After breakfast, Barra Lodge will transfer you back to Inhambane Airport in time to connect with your international flight back to O.R.Tambo International Airport, Johannesburg, own arrangements.

Included:

Breakfast, transfer from Barra Lodge to Inhambane Airport.

Excluded:

International airfare from Inhambane to Johannesburg; departure / arrival taxes; lunch; dinner; Bar; items of a personal nature; gratuities; accommodation.

Cost based on 2 divers sharing.

ZAR 21 505 per person sharing

Non diver cost based on 2 people sharing, diver with a non-diver

ZAR 18 890 per person sharing

Cost based on single traveller

ZAR 29 815 per single diver.

Itinerary and costs subject to change.

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