

Botswana & Zambia

Self-Drive Adventure



Detailed Itinerary

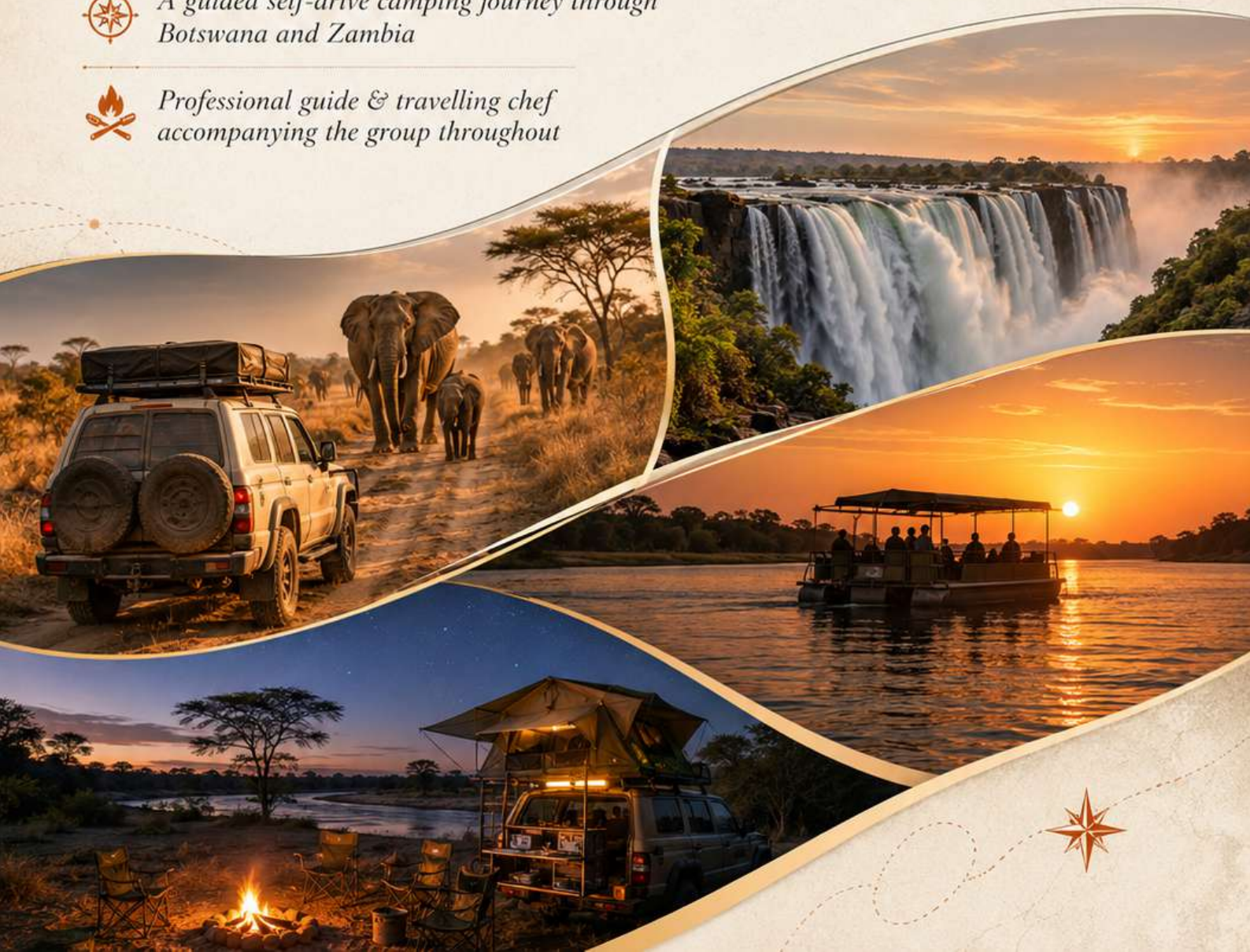
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*A guided self-drive camping journey through
Botswana and Zambia*



*Professional guide & travelling chef
accompanying the group throughout*



Welcome to Your Botswana & Zambia Self-Drive Adventure



A JOURNEY OF FREEDOM, FRIENDSHIP & UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCES

Thank you for joining us on this incredible 8-day self-drive adventure through Botswana and Zambia. We're excited to welcome you into a journey filled with wildlife, breathtaking landscapes, powerful rivers, vibrant cultures and genuine African hospitality.

This is more than a trip — it's an experience that connects you to nature, to people and to a sense of freedom that only the open road can bring.

We can't wait to explore, laugh, share stories and create lifelong memories together.

Let the Adventure Begin!

How to Prepare



YOUR VEHICLE

- Ensure your vehicle is roadworthy and fully serviced.
- Carry spare parts, tools and a tyre repair kit.
- All vehicles and trailers require the relevant documentation and police clearance.



WHAT TO PACK

- Camping gear (tent, bedding, chair, light, etc.)
- Clothing for warm days and cool evenings.
- Sunscreen, hat, insect repellent and personal medication.
- Camera, binoculars and a sense of adventure!



HEALTH & SAFETY

- We travel through malaria areas – consult your travel doctor for prevention advice.
- Stay hydrated and protect yourself from the sun and insects.
- Travel insurance is strongly recommended.

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT



Incredible wildlife encounters

From elephants at Elephant Sands to game drives in Chobe National Park.



Iconic destinations

Experience the mighty Victoria Falls and the majestic Zambezi River.



Camp under the African sky

Share evenings around the fire with great food, good company and unforgettable sunsets.



Travel with confidence

You drive your own vehicle, while our experienced guide and travelling chef take care of the rest.



A journey of connection

Meet like-minded adventurers and build friendships that last beyond the journey.



*Come with an open heart, a spirit of adventure
and a readiness to embrace the beauty of Africa.*

**We'll take care of the route, the meals in the evening
and the unforgettable experiences.**

YOU BRING THE ADVENTURE.



WE CAN'T WAIT TO WELCOME YOU!

Let's make memories that will stay with you forever.



Journey Route Map

Your self-drive adventure through Botswana and Zambia



YOUR JOURNEY AT A GLANCE



Different roads. Unforgettable moments.

THIS IS YOUR ADVENTURE.

DAY-TO-DAY BREAKDOWN

JOURNEY • DISCOVER • EXPERIENCE

DAY 1 OF 8

Day 1 — Saturday, 20 March 2027

Arrival in Francistown, Botswana

Let the adventure begin!



All travellers arrive in Francistown during the day and settle into camp.



Once everyone has arrived, the group will set up camp, meet fellow travellers, and prepare for the adventure ahead.



The evening will include a welcome dinner prepared by the travelling chef.



During dinner, the guide will share important instructions, route information, border-crossing guidance, safety notes, convoy procedures and expectations for the days ahead.



*Your adventure
begins the moment
you arrive.*



OVERNIGHT

Camping in Francistown



DINNER

Included



BREAKFAST & LUNCH

Own account



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Day 2 — Sunday, 21 March 2027

Francistown to Elephant Sands

Wilderness, wildlife and unforgettable moments.



After breakfast, the group departs for Elephant Sands.



On arrival, travellers will set up camp and enjoy one of Botswana's most memorable wilderness experiences — elephants moving freely through the area and gathering at the waterhole.

This is a relaxed afternoon to take in the atmosphere, watch the elephants, enjoy the camp setting and prepare for the border-crossing day ahead.



Lunch is for each traveller's own account.



Dinner will be prepared by the travelling chef.



OVERNIGHT

Camping at Elephant Sands



DINNER

Included



BREAKFAST & LUNCH

Own account



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DAY 3 OF 8

Day 3 — Monday,

22 March 2027

Elephant Sands to Livingstone, Zambia

Onward to the mighty Zambezi.



After breakfast, you'll depart for Livingstone, Zambia.



The route takes you north towards Kasane and the Kazungula border crossing. You'll cross from Botswana into Zambia at Kazungula before continuing to Livingstone.



It's important that all vehicles and trailers have the required documentation for border crossing. Any trailers, including camping or off-road trailers, should have the relevant police clearance and ownership documentation where required.



On arrival in Livingstone, you'll set up camp and settle in right on the banks of the mighty Zambezi River. From the wooden deck, you can relax and take in the atmosphere. In the distance, the spray from Victoria Falls — known as the smoke that thunders — can often be seen rising into the sky.



The rest of the day is yours to enjoy. You can visit town, stock up on groceries, top up your personal supplies, and get ready for the adventures ahead in Livingstone.



*New country,
new adventures,
same crew.
Let's go!*



OVERNIGHT

Camping in Livingstone



DINNER

Included



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Day 4 — Tuesday, 23 March 2027

Victoria Falls Experience

*Where the smoke that thunders
comes alive.*



After breakfast at camp, you will depart at approximately 10:00 for Victoria Falls.



Your morning will be spent exploring one of Africa's greatest natural wonders. The Victoria Falls experience usually takes around one and a half to two hours, depending on pace, viewpoints and group movement.



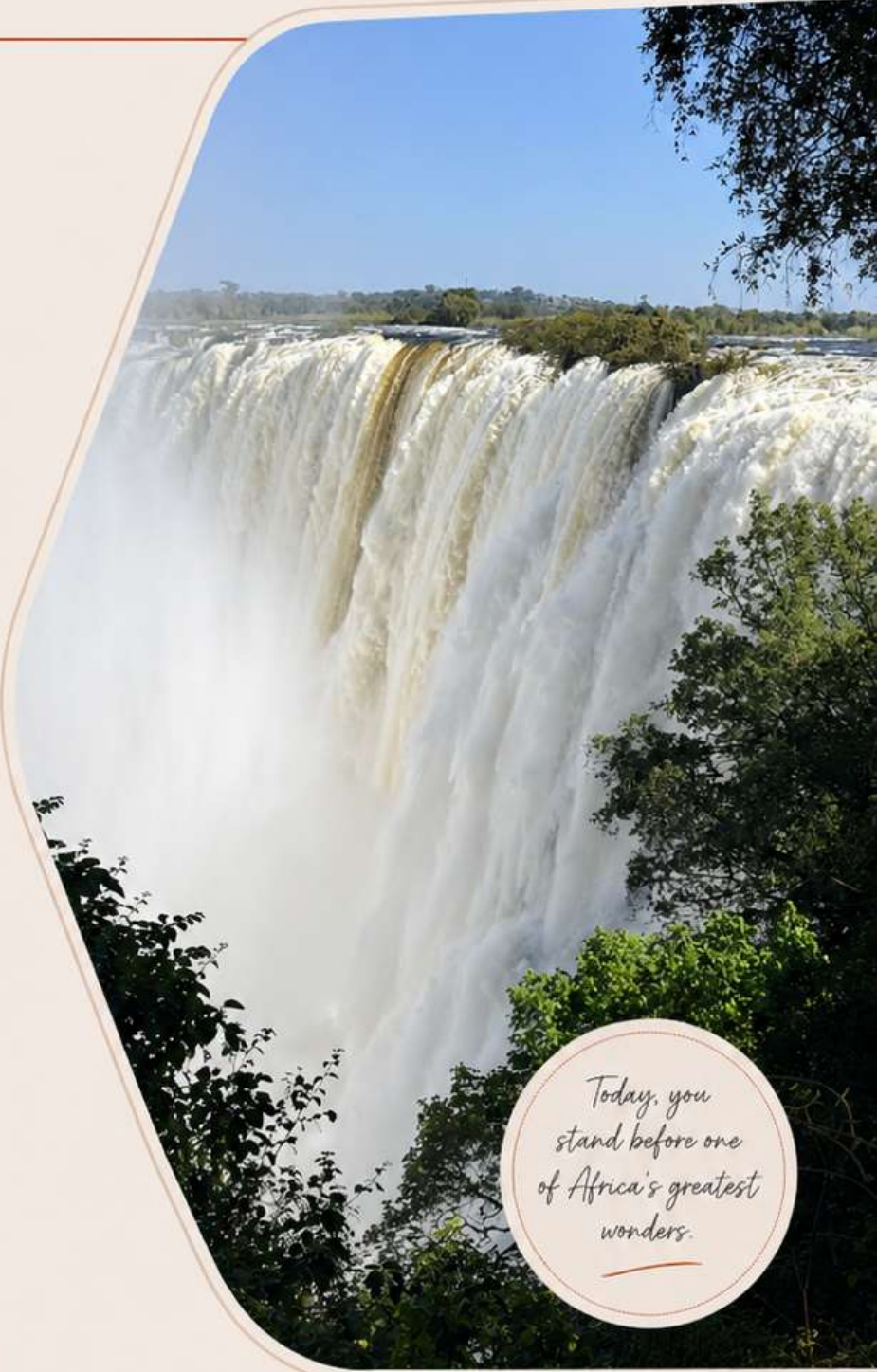
After visiting the Falls, if you would like, you may cross by local taxi into Zimbabwe and visit the Lookout Café, overlooking the Zambezi Gorge and Victoria Falls Bridge. Lunch at the Lookout Café or elsewhere will be for your own account.



After returning to the campsite in Livingstone, the evening will be relaxed, with dinner prepared and served by the travelling chef.



Please note: Victoria Falls entrance fees are excluded from the package price.



*Today, you
stand before one
of Africa's greatest
wonders.*



OVERNIGHT

Camping in Livingstone



DINNER

Included



BREAKFAST & LUNCH

Own account



Day 5 — Wednesday, 24 March 2027

Livingstone Free Day / Optional Activities

Your adventure, your choice.



This is a flexible day in Livingstone.

You can relax at the campsite, spend time at the pool, visit nearby hotels, explore local culture, or choose from a wide range of optional activities in the Livingstone region.



Optional activities may include:

- White-water rafting.
- Bungee jumping.
- Helicopter flights over Victoria Falls.
- Cultural experiences.
- Local markets.
- Elephant-related experiences where available.
- River-based activities.
- Scenic viewpoints and hotel visits.



All optional activities are for your own account and are not included in the package price.



Dinner will again be prepared and served by the travelling chef.



OVERNIGHT

Camping in Livingstone



DINNER

Included



BREAKFAST & LUNCH

Own account



OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

Own account



DAY-TO-DAY BREAKDOWN

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DAY 6 OF 8

Day 6 — Thursday, 25 March 2027

Livingstone to Kasane, Botswana

Back to the wild.



After breakfast, you'll depart Livingstone and head back towards Botswana.



The route takes you through the Kazungula border crossing and into the Kasane / Chobe region.



After arriving in Kasane, you'll set up camp and have time to explore the area, rest, grab some supplies, and get ready for the unforgettable Chobe experience tomorrow.



Dinner will be served at camp by the travelling chef.



*Different shores,
same adventure.
Let's keep going!*



OVERNIGHT

Camping in Kasane



DINNER

Included



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DAY-TO-DAY BREAKDOWN

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DAY 7 OF 8

Day 7 — Friday, 26 March 2027

Chobe National Park Game Drive & Sunset Boat Cruise

*A day of wildlife, water
and unforgettable moments.*



The day begins early with a guided game drive into Chobe National Park. You'll travel in a game-viewing vehicle with a local guide and explore one of Botswana's most famous wildlife areas. Chobe is known for its elephants, but you may also encounter buffalo, giraffe, antelope, predators and many other species. The game drive is expected to take approximately three to four hours.



After returning from the game drive, you can prepare your own breakfast and enjoy some time at leisure.



In the afternoon, the group will prepare for a sunset boat cruise on the Chobe River. This is one of the highlights of the trip, offering close-up wildlife encounters from the water. The boat cruise enters the Chobe National Park river area, where animals often gather along the riverbanks.



Snacks and selected drinks, including wine, soft drinks and some beers, will be available on the boat and are included.



The evening concludes with dinner prepared by the travelling chef, serving as a farewell dinner and final shared evening of the journey.



OVERNIGHT

Camping in Kasane



DINNER

Included



BREAKFAST & LUNCH

Own account



INCLUDED ACTIVITY

Chobe game drive and
sunset boat cruise

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Day 8 — Saturday, 27 March 2027

Departure / Extended Trip Options

*All Depart / Continue
Own Journey*



After breakfast, the official MOTE Travel self-drive adventure ends in Kasane. You may choose to begin your journey back to South Africa or continue with an extended self-drive adventure into nearby destinations.



Possible extended trip options include:

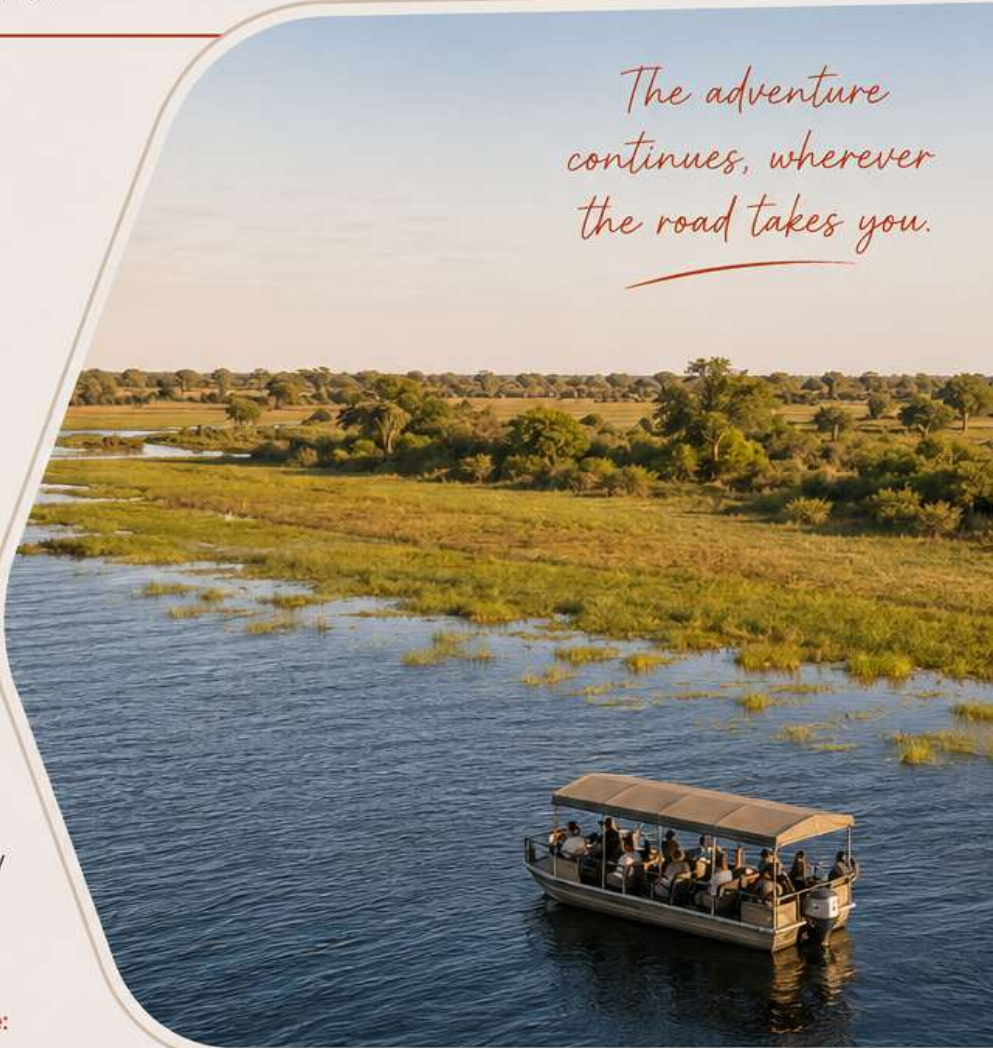
- Okavango Delta.
- Namibia.
- Caprivi / Zambezi Region.
- Additional Botswana safari destinations.
- Further Chobe or Kasane activities.



MOTE Travel can assist with bookings, route planning and logistical guidance for those who would like to extend their journey.



Official end point:
Kasane, Botswana



*The adventure
continues, wherever
the road takes you.*



Okavango Delta



Namibia



Caprivi /
Zambezi Region



Additional Botswana
safari destinations



Further Chobe or
Kasane activities



BREAKFAST & LUNCH

Own account



OFFICIAL END POINT

Kasane, Botswana



EXTENDED OPTIONS

Available on request and
for your own account



WHAT IS INCLUDED & EXCLUDED

Your self-drive adventure to Botswana and Zambia



WHAT IS INCLUDED

- ✓ Professional guide accompanying the group.
- ✓ Travelling chef accompanying the group.
- ✓ Dinner each night by the travelling chef.
- ✓ All camping fees included in the standard camping package.
- ✓ All park fees included in the advertised package.
- ✓ Chobe National Park game drive.
- ✓ Chobe River sunset boat cruise.
- ✓ Snacks and selected drinks on the Chobe River boat cruise.
- ✓ Group route guidance and daily briefings.
- ✓ Support with travel planning and group coordination.



WHAT IS EXCLUDED

- ✗ Own vehicle.
- ✗ Fuel.
- ✗ Camping gear.
- ✗ Border fees and taxes.
- ✗ Visas, if and where required.
- ✗ Breakfasts.
- ✗ Lunches.
- ✗ Meals not mentioned and all drinks not specifically included.
- ✗ Entrance to Victoria Falls.
- ✗ Optional activities such as bungee jumping, river rafting, helicopter rides and other excursions.
- ✗ Lodge or room upgrades.
- ✗ Travel insurance.
- ✗ Personal expenses.
- ✗ Medical expenses or travel-health consultations.



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This is a self-drive adventure, which means you supply your own vehicle and cover your own fuel costs. You will travel as part of a guided convoy, with the support of a professional guide who has extensive experience in African travel.

HOW THE SELF-DRIVE ADVENTURE WORKS

Your vehicle. Our guidance. One unforgettable journey.



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU



You travel in your own vehicle.



You cover your own fuel costs.



You camp with the group throughout the journey.



You follow a guided route with daily support and coordination.



You enjoy the freedom of self-drive travel with the confidence of an organised group adventure.



THE MOTE TRAVEL TEAM TRAVELLING WITH YOU



1 PROFESSIONAL GUIDE

A highly experienced guide will accompany the group throughout the journey. With approximately 30 years of travel experience across Africa and beyond, more than 40 countries visited, and multiple road trips through Southern and Eastern Africa, you can travel with confidence knowing you are supported by deep regional knowledge and practical experience.



2 TRAVELLING CHEF

A dedicated travelling chef will accompany the group and prepare dinner each evening, creating a warm, shared camp experience after each day's travel and exploration.



3 GROUP TRAVEL SUPPORT

The journey includes daily briefings, route guidance, border-crossing support, destination orientation, and group coordination to help keep the adventure smooth, organised and enjoyable.



WHAT TO EXPECT ON THE ROAD

- 1 Morning briefings before departure.
- 2 Travel together as a guided convoy.
- 3 Support with border crossings and logistics.
- 4 Set up camp at each destination.
- 5 Relax, explore and enjoy the experience.
- 6 Share dinner together each evening.



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You enjoy the freedom of taking your own vehicle, while MOTE Travel takes care of the guidance, coordination and shared camp experience.

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IMPORTANT TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS

Your journey. Your responsibility. Our support.

All travellers are responsible for ensuring that they have the correct travel documents and vehicle documentation before departure.

TRAVELLERS MUST HAVE:

-  A valid passport.
-  Their own vehicle.
-  Valid vehicle licence and registration documentation.
-  Cross-border vehicle authorisation where applicable.
-  Police clearance for vehicles and trailers where required, especially for vehicles or camping trailers crossing borders.
-  Valid driver's licence.
-  Own camping gear.
-  Sufficient funds for fuel, border costs, visas where required, lunches, breakfasts, drinks not included, optional activities and personal spending.
-  Travel insurance is strongly recommended.



This journey travels through areas where malaria precautions may be required.

Zambia is listed by the CDC as a malaria-risk country, and Botswana has malaria risk in some areas, especially northern Botswana; travellers should **consult a travel doctor or travel clinic before departure** for personal medical advice and prevention options.



Packing smart makes the journey comfortable and enjoyable. Use this guide to make sure you have everything you need for a safe and unforgettable self-drive adventure across Botswana and Zambia.

WHAT TO PACK

Be prepared. Travel with ease.



TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

- ✓ Valid passport.
- ✓ Driver's licence.
- ✓ Vehicle registration documents.
- ✓ Vehicle insurance documents.
- ✓ Cross-border vehicle authorisation where applicable.
- ✓ Police clearance for vehicles and trailers.
- ✓ Trailer documentation if travelling with a camping or off-road trailer.
- ✓ Printed and digital copies of important documents.
- ✓ Emergency contact details.
- ✓ Travel insurance details.



CAMPING GEAR

- ✓ Tent.
- ✓ Groundsheet.
- ✓ Mattress or stretcher.
- ✓ Sleeping bag or bedding.
- ✓ Pillow.
- ✓ Camping chair.
- ✓ Headlamp or torch.
- ✓ Lantern or camp light.
- ✓ Extension leads and adaptors.
- ✓ Personal cutlery, mug and plate.
- ✓ Small camp table if desired.
- ✓ Cooler box or fridge/freezer.
- ✓ Basic washing-up items.
- ✓ Refuse bags.
- ✓ Mallet, pegs and basic repair kit.



PERSONAL ITEMS

- ✓ Comfortable travel clothing.
- ✓ Warm layer for evenings.
- ✓ Rain jacket or lightweight waterproof layer.
- ✓ Hat and sunglasses.
- ✓ Sunscreen.
- ✓ Insect repellent.
- ✓ Personal medication.
- ✓ Basic first-aid kit.
- ✓ Toiletries.
- ✓ Towel.
- ✓ Swimwear.
- ✓ Comfortable walking shoes.
- ✓ Camera, binoculars and chargers.
- ✓ Power bank.
- ✓ Water bottle.



FOOD & DRINK

- ✓ Breakfast items.
- ✓ Lunch items.
- ✓ Snacks.
- ✓ Coffee, tea and personal drinks.
- ✓ Drinking water.
- ✓ Special dietary items.
- ✓ Easy camp meals for personal use if needed.



Pack light but smart – you'll be happier on the road.

Be prepared, stay organised and enjoy every moment of your adventure!



WHY TRAVEL WITH MOTE TRAVEL?

Your journey. Your freedom. Our support.



This adventure offers the **freedom** of a self-drive journey with the **confidence** of travelling in a guided group.



You will bring your own vehicle, travel at ground level through Botswana and Zambia, camp in memorable locations, share meals under African skies, and experience wildlife, waterfalls, rivers and overland travel in a way that is **personal, adventurous and deeply memorable**.



With a professional guide and travelling chef accompanying the group throughout, the journey combines **independence, support, community and adventure**.



EXPERIENCED. TRUSTED. REGISTERED.

MOTE Travel is a registered travel company (2008/064556/23) with **more than 18 years of experience** travelling through Africa.



A LIFETIME OF EXPERIENCE

The founder (Adriaan Adams), and often the tour guide himself, is an experienced traveller to **more than 40 countries**, most of them in Africa. Between him and his team, each travel expedition embarked on has created an experience of a lifetime for both them and the **more than 5000 clients** who have travelled with them since 2008.



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FREEDOM

Self-drive at your own pace.



SUPPORT

Professional guide & chef with you.



COMMUNITY

Shared experiences & lasting friendships.



MEMORIES

Unforgettable moments.



CONFIDENCE

Expert planning, local knowledge.