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"The only man I envy is the man who has not yet been to Africa - for he has so much to look forward to."

11 - Day Tiger Fishing Experience

Tigerfish can be considered Africa's equivalent of the South American piranha, though they belong to a completely different family, as they are famous for their ferocity when hunting. They have razor-sharp teeth that are interlocking, along with streamlined, muscular bodies built for speed. Tigerfish are aggressive predators.

A school of juveniles can tackle animals of almost any size, including any land animals that stray too close to the water's edge. Adults tend to travel in smaller groups of four or five, but they are no less dangerous. Even an individual can take down prey as large as itself. When food is scarce or the competition for food is too great, tigerfish may resort to cannibalism. This is particularly common in the dry season. Tigerfish have also been known to attack humans, these attacks can be devastating owing to their sharp teeth and aggressive hunting tactics.

Nature of the Tour:

For the fly fisherman/woman, plying for tiger fish provides the ultimate challenge. If the tiger fish are not biting then the chances are good that other species such as bream will be caught instead. The necessary tackle and bait are provided along with an informative guide who will select a prime spot from where catches are to be made. It is suggested that serious fishermen should bring their own fishing gear. You are able to fish from the River Boat or from the Tender Boats.

Safari dates:

Johannesburg to Johannesburg

Arrival/Start – **To be confirmed**

Departure/End – **To be confirmed**

Note: Fishing is closed in Botswana January and February yearly.

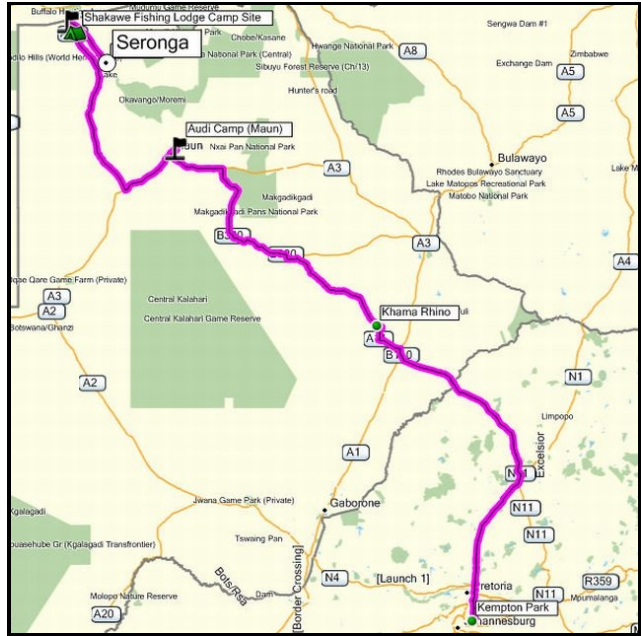
Basic Itinerary:

Tour starts at 06:30 from Linga Longa Guest House in Kempton Park Johannesburg.

Day 1	Khama Rhino Sanctuary	Botswana
Day 2	Maun	
Day 3	Shakawe Fishing Lodge	

Day 4, 5, 6 & 7 Ngwesi Houseboat
 Day 8 Maun
 Day 9 Kwa Nokeng
 Day 10 Johannesburg
 Day 11 Departure

South Africa



Expedition Cost:

Please email info@chimhavira.com with the dates that you would like to book this safari along with number of people sharing for a quotation and a finalised amount.

Minimum number of pax is 4.

As a guide line this safari based on:

- 4 people sharing is approximately ZAR 22, 300 pp
- 6 People sharing is approximately ZAR 19, 500 pp
- 7 People sharing is approximately ZAR 18, 600 pp

Our prices include:

- Your fully customised Land Rover vehicles and all necessary camping equipment where required
- Support vehicle and photographic guide costs
- Route planning, itineraries, bookings and travel guidance
- Field guides, maps and documents required for cross-border travel
- Complete introduction to the vehicle, equipment & basic 4x4 driver training where necessary
- Vehicle exchange when serious mechanical breakdown occurs
- Comprehensive vehicle insurance cover (full details available upon request)

- Free airport transfers to and from our Johannesburg offices
- Our individual service
- All fuel & toll road fees
- An emergency medical kit, and all guides are first aid trained
- Two full meals per day plus snacks
- Drinking water and cordial

Our prices exclude:

- International/regional and domestic airfares to and from collection/departure points
- Visas and personal travel insurance
- Alcoholic beverages, mixers and soft drinks
- All beverages and food out of camp
- Laundry services
- Clothing, toiletries and all other personal items e.g. sun block, anti malaria prevention etc
- Fees for non-scheduled excursions, activities, entrance fees etc
- Gratuities
- Costs for any upgraded accommodation to that listed above and below.
- Camera's and camera equipment
- Fishing rods and tackle

Passport Visa Requirements:

We will be travelling in South Africa:

- South Africa – Visas are generally required at the port of entry. You will be given a three-month visa, which is free of charge.
- Botswana – No visas are required

This information is correct as of today's date, please double check with the relevant embassy in your home country before you travel. Chimhavira cannot be held responsible to any changes to these requirements that are beyond our control.

Items of interest:

Total driving Distance: Approx 2, 450 km (1, 522 UK miles)

Diesel consumption based on one vehicle: 306 litres (81 UK gallons)

Boarders crossed:

- *Martins Drift (SA / Bots)*

NOTE:
We will be travelling through malaria areas. Malaria prevention is a definite must!
AVOID LARIUM!!

Suggestions:

African kids love asking tourists for sweets and pens. If you have space in your suitcase bring a couple bags of both with you. The kids will smile and be happy; you will enjoy it for little cost. Old clothes are good for bargaining with adults for curios or local fruits etc.

11 – Tiger Fishing Experience

Meal Key: B – Breakfast, L – Lunch, D – Dinner

Day 1: Johannesburg – Khama Rhino Sanctuary

In 1989 a group of Serowe residents conceived the idea of a wildlife reserve near Serowe. Serwe Pan, then a cattle post, had been a traditional hunting area teeming with wildlife and the residents wished to re-establish it to its earlier splendour. In 1993 the Ngwato Land Board allocated the land around Serwe Pan to the Khama Rhino Sanctuary Trust.

The site was chosen due to its excellent habitat for rhinoceros, central location and proximity to a Botswana Defence Force (BDF) base, which provides the Sanctuary with 24hr protection. Covering approximately 4,300 hectares of Kalahari sandveld, the Sanctuary is centred around Serwe Pan - a large grass-covered depression with several natural water holes. Serwe Pan provides prime habitat for white rhinoceros and other grazing animals, whilst the denser vegetation in the southern area of the Sanctuary is favoured by browsing animals such as giraffe.

Approximate distance: 630 km
Accommodation: Khama Campsite
Meals: L, D

Day 2: Maun

Audi Camp started up in 1993 (Audi means fish eagle in the local language - Setswana). The original campsite was an old derelict site that was littered with scrap vehicles, holes in the ground and lots of goats milling about. We put a lot of elbow grease into cleaning and getting basic facilities set-up to provide just a nice, inexpensive place for campers to stay.

Approximate distance: 530 km
Accommodation: Audi Campsite

Meals: B, L, D

Day 3: Shakawe Fishing Camp

Under shady trees on the Okavango riverbank, a few metres south of the main lodge, is the campsite. This is a lovely, grassy site with simple ablutions and a few metal drums that act as braai stands for cooking. We will be using this as a “stepping stone” base so as to be able to get to the ferry crossing early in the morning.

Approximate distance: 385 km

Accommodation: Shakawe Fishing Campsite

Meals: B, L, D

Day 4, 5, 6 & 7: Ngwesi Houseboat

Capture the rhythms of the Delta and feel the heartbeat of the mighty Okavango in Botswana as you journey on the Ngwesi Okavango Houseboat, moored on the river, near the village of Mohembo.

En suite accommodation is offered for guests in the cabins on the lower deck, with additional open air accommodation offered on the upper deck. Activities include game viewing and birding, with over 450 bird species “C fishing, try your hand at the sport of Tiger and Bream fishing - excursions on tender boats to explore the Delta with its countless water channels, floating islands and fertile banks.

Approximate distance: 150 km

Accommodation: Ngwesi Houseboat

Meals: B, L, D

Day 8: Ngwesi Houseboat – Maun

Today we travel back to Audi Camp.

Approximate distance: 520 km

Accommodation: Audi Campsite

Meals: B, L, D

Day 9: Maun – Kwa Nokeng rest camp

Today we will be travelling towards the South African border and we will be stopping over at Martins Drift campsite. Martins Drift is an old mining town so if we have time we can go and have a look through the town.

Approximate distance: 710 km

Accommodation: Kwa Nokeng Campsite

Meals: B, L, D

Day 10: Johannesburg

Today is our last driving day, which will take us back to the South African Capital. We will have time for breakfast, pack away our equipment and then we will drive the last leg of your itinerary to Johannesburg arriving early evening.

Approximate distance: 440 km

Accommodation: Linga Longa Guest House

Meals: B, L, D

Day 11: Day of Departure

You will be transferred to the airport where you say goodbye to the guides and the group...

Meals: B

- End Of Services -

Arrival:

You will be met at the airport and transferred to your accommodation (where required). For convenience of our early start spending the night at Linga Longa Guest house is recommended, please advise us if you require a booking and Chimhavira will arrange this on your behalf.

Departure:

If you require an airport transfer this can be arranged for you.

Transport:

Chimhavira Overland Safaris cc use fully equipped 4x4 Land Rover Defender/Discovery vehicles.

Camera Equipment:

Photographic equipment is not included in this itinerary. It is suggested as a minimum that you consider bring the following: Digital SLR camera, lenses (Ranging from telephoto zoom minimum 300mm to a wide angle), tripod, camera cleaning kit, polarising and UV filter.

Accommodation:

Accommodation will be in your vehicle roof top tents. Should you want to upgrade please ask your guide to assist you. Where possible your guide will try to upgrade you as to your requirements but this will be dependant on availability. Please note upgrades are not included in your Chimhavira Overland Safari cc invoice and will therefore necessitate you paying for upgrades directly.

Spending money:

Clients are advised to bring enough money to cover the purchase of curios and personal items.

Meals:

All meals are organized by the guide and are prepared by our cook. Meals are nutritious and filling, drawing on fresh local produce where possible. We buy groceries along the way, so our clients have a say in what type of meals are eaten. Please advise us of any special dietary requirements before tour commencement.

First Aid:

Our guides are trained in basic first aid, Chimhavira Overland Safari cc guides are trained to level III St John's or equivalent standards, our vehicles are equipped with a comprehensive medical aid kit. Preventative Malaria medication should be taken before the trip and throughout its duration, although it is advisable to consult a doctor prior to departure.

Luggage:

Maximum baggage allowance: 20kg. Chimhavira Overland Safaris cc stipulates this luggage allowance, as an overloaded vehicle is a danger to both the clients and the guide. This does not include photographic equipment and a small daypack. Please bring a backpack or soft barrel bag, not a suitcase. Please adhere to the allowance specified as space for luggage is limited.

Sleeping bags:

Chimhavira Overland Safaris cc will provide sleeping bags and pillows for those guests choosing the camping options, please advise us if this is required at your time of booking. If you prefer to bring your own please feel free to do so.