

Safari Cost:

Cost is based on a per person sharing rate, 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.

Our prices include:

- Your fully customised Land Rover and all equipment including fully enclosed roof-top tents
- Support vehicle and team leader costs
- Hire of boat at Pongolapoort Lake
- 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 insurance cover and unlimited kilometres (full details available upon request)
- Free airport transfers to and from our Johannesburg offices
- Our individual service
- All fuel, toll road and border 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
- The optional hire of a satellite phone and/or GPS for navigation
- 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. cameras, sun block etc
- Fees for non-scheduled excursions, activities, entrance fees etc
- Gratuities
- Fishing equipment, however these can be hired should you not have your own
- Costs for any upgraded accommodation to that listed above and below.

Passport Visa Requirements:

We will be travelling in South Africa & Swaziland:

- South Africa – Visas are generally required at the port of entry. You will be given a three-month visa which is free of charge.
- Swaziland – Your South African Visa will suffice. Swaziland is part of the CCU (Common Country Union).

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 1,320 km (820miles)
Diesel consumption based on 3 vehicles: 566 litres (149 UK gallons)

Borders crossed:

Bulembu Border Post
Lavumisa Border Post

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.

7 - Day fishing safari itinerary

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

Day 1: Yellow Fish – Somabula camp, Cullinan

This evening we will be staying in a beautiful valley with lovely indigenous trees, wild flowers, giraffe, many species of antelope (large and small), interesting insects, reptiles and a wide variety of birds.

Here you will have the pleasure of catching one of the finest Fighting Freshwater Fish in the world, the Smallmouth Yellowfish (*Barbus anaeus*).

Cullinan, east of Pretoria, is also a fascinating place to visit, it gained instant world-wide fame and recognition upon the advent of the discovery of diamonds. On January 5 1905, Frederick Wells unearthed what is now known as the Cullinan Diamond - a 3108 carat rock, which is purported to be the largest uncut diamond ever found.

Approximate distance: 70 km
Accommodation: Somabula Camp
Meals: L, D

Day 2: Bass Fish – Ausdaver Guest Farm, Lydenburg

Ausdaver Guest Farm captures the natural beauty of the Kwena Basin and the Steenkampsberge - the mountains, the water, the wildlife, nature and bird life - a premier choice for our next fish – Bass.

For Bass fishing fans there is a fantastic dam on the farm, which offers a fantastic angling opportunity.

Approximate distance: 280 km
Accommodation: Ausdaver Guest Farm
Meals: B, L, D

Day 3: Bass Fish – Maguga Dam, Swaziland

Located just south of Piggs Peak, Maguga dam has a capacity of 332 million cubic meters of water and a wall height of 115 meters, making it one of the highest in Southern Africa. It is well known for its excellent fishing opportunities and holds the national bass record currently set at 5,3kg! Fed by the Komati River the dam is situated within the Komati Gorge, which offers it protection against the elements.

Approximate distance: 250 km
Accommodation: Maguga Camping
Meals: B, L, D

Day 4 & 5: Tiger Fish – Pongolapoort Lake, South Africa

Tiger fishing is the truly exciting activity. These ferocious fighting game fish are rare to South African waters however enjoy these sub tropical conditions. Good sizes have been caught in the Pongolapoort Lake where the official record is 8.3kg.

The Pongolapoort Lake (also known as Jozini) is situated in the North Eastern KwaZulu Natal, bordering Southern Swaziland. It is the southern most extremity of the infamous Tiger Fish population (*Hyrocynus Vittatus*) due to our hot summer temperatures and moderate winter climate, and it is the only waters in South Africa home to the tiger fish.

Approximate distance: 250 km
Accommodation: Mapalane Rest Camp
Meals: B, L, D

Day 6: Johannesburg and end of itinerary

This morning you'll have time for a relaxing breakfast pack away your camping equipment, when you are done you will take your roof tent down for last time and then we will drive the last leg of your itinerary to Johannesburg. Chimhavira will book you into a guest house for the evening (Own expense), where you can rest up before the next part of your journey. This evening your safari leader would like to accompany you to dinner.

Approximate distance: 470 km
Accommodation: Linga Longa Guest House
Meals: B, L

Day 7: 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).

Departure:

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

Transport:

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

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 standard, our vehicles is 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 can provide sleeping bags and pillows, 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.