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**BOTSWANA**

DESERT SUNSET, DELTA DAWN

JUNE 19 TO 29, 2020



## **YOUR RIVERBANKS ZOO ESCORT, SATCH KRANTZ, PRESIDENT EMERITUS**

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Palmer “Satch” Krantz, a native of Columbia, began his tenure at Riverbanks in 1973 as supervisor of the Zoo’s animal hospital after graduating from Clemson University. He was promoted to executive director in 1976 at the age of 26 and eventually to president and CEO. Satch helped build Riverbanks from a small, financially troubled zoo in its early years to one of the top zoos in the world and South Carolina’s largest gated tourist attraction.

Satch is one of only three American zoo directors to serve as both president of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA) and the World Association of Zoos and Aquariums. He is the recipient of many prestigious awards for the long-term propagation and conservation of multiple at risk and endangered species and the most notable R. Marlin Perkins Award for Professional Excellence; the highest honor bestowed upon a zoo professional by the AZA.



The love that Satch has for his community, his profession and all the creatures of the world is apparent in word and deed throughout his lifetime of service. As President & CEO Emeritus, Satch continues to share his knowledge and passion.



## YOUR ITINERARY

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### DAY 1~FRIDAY~JUNE 19

#### COLUMBIA/EN ROUTE

Your journey begins as you board your overnight flight to Johannesburg. (Meals Aloft)

### DAY 2~SATURDAY~JUNE 20

#### JOHANNESBURG

Upon arrival at the Johannesburg International Airport this afternoon, you will be met and escorted to your hotel. Johannesburg (or Jo'burg as the locals call it) is the country's largest city and its financial center, sometimes called the "City of Gold," for the abundance of that precious metal once mined here.

Begin your adventure in the lap of luxury. D'Oreale Grande is situated near Johannesburg International Airport and boasts palatial buildings, surrounded by gardens, fountains, and statues. Richly cloaked surroundings such as marble floors, plush carpets, magnificent stained-glass domes, highly decorated murals and frescos, sculptures, intricate mosaics, and Roman columns and arches contribute to an atmosphere of intimacy, classical elegance, and lavish opulence. It's an ideal place for resting up after the long international flight.



Tonight, enjoy a welcome dinner at your hotel.

Overnight at D'OREALE GRANDE. (Meals Aloft, D) <https://www.emperorspalace.com/hotels/peer-mont-doreale-grande>

### DAYS 3/4/5~SUNDAY/MONDAY/TUESDAY~JUNE 21/22/23

#### MAUN/MAKGADIKGADI & NXAI PANS NATIONAL PARKS/KHUMAGA VILLAGE

Fly to Maun, Botswana's tourism capital, where you will connect with your flight to Leroo La Tau, situated at the edge of Makgadikgadi Pans National Park. This park is named for ancient Lake Makgadikgadi, a body of water that disappeared thousands of years ago, leaving behind a collection of salt pans that cover approximately 6,200 square miles, due south of the Okavango. The Makgadikgadi is the largest expanse of 'nothingness' on Earth, devoid of anything but salt and shimmering horizon, with an area the size of Switzerland. The pans are clearly visible from outer-space. The baking soda desert is transformed into one of Africa's most fecund ecosystems during the rainy season. Unbelievable numbers of migratory birds flock to the pans and the grasslands swarm with a living mantle of zebra and wildebeest, participants in the second-largest animal migration on the African continent. The dry season brings desert wildlife such as gemsbok and springbok into view.





Leroo La Tau is built on the cliffs above the Boteti River which allows guests a raised vantage point resulting in spectacular wildlife sightings. The Boteti River, which dried up for 28 years, is now flowing again. This lifeline of water is a magnet for wildlife. During the wet season (January-March), there is an influx of migratory bird species, while resident desert species welcome visitors by showing off their breeding plumages. While the volume of game is lighter than the drier months, the river's return has transformed the region and supports a good volume of wildlife all year round, with sightings of all the common antelopes, alongside healthy populations of kudu as well as giraffe. Huge elephant bulls are based along the river throughout the year, and lion are very active in the region.

Depending on the rains of the season, the zebra begin the migration back to the river around April, search of water. As the dry season draws in, so too do the zebra and wildebeest – some 30,000 strong – resulting in magical scenes of thousands of zebras galloping up and down the dusty river banks of the Boteti for quite possibly one of the best zebra-viewing experiences in Africa! The migration brings an increase in levels of predator activity, including lion, cheetah, brown and spotted hyena, and even wild dog. Most unique are the crocodile and an amazing pod of hippo, which have survived in extremely adverse conditions for many years, and now make this area their home. Bird species include large numbers of White-backed and Lappet-faced Vultures, Bateleur, Tawny and Martial Eagles, Lanner and Red-footed Falcons, Gabar, and Pale Chanting Goshawks. Also found are Red-billed and Orange River Francolin, Black and Red-crested Korhaan, Kori Bustard, Crowned Plover, Double-banded Courser, Spotted Dikkop, all species of sandgrouse, Giant Eagle, Pearl-spotted Owls, and a large numbers of hornbill species.



On your second day, enjoy a full day excursion to Nxai Pans National Park. Here one can witness the typical Kalahari Plains wildlife characteristic of the desert regions. Large herds of springbok, oryx (gemsbok), and eland graze here all year round and during the summer season (green season) zebra and wildebeest can be seen en masse during the migration.

Rhino populations are steadily growing in Botswana and there's a huge relocation of rhino into the country from neighboring South Africa. Desert & Delta Safaris is proactively involved in Botswana's Rhino



Relocation and Reintroduction Project with the Department of Wildlife in Botswana, which has seen the rhino population establish itself in the Makgadikgadi Pans National Park for the first time in over 200 years. Rhinos are well protected and quite shy but there's always the chance you might see them on your game runs. A portion of revenue from each of the guests that stay at Leroo La Tau goes directly towards the Rhino Relocation and Reintroduction Project and facilitates the costly process of fitting tracking devices and monitoring health and breeding of this highly endangered species.



Leroo La Tau works closely with the community of Khumaga Village, which is

located near the lodge, providing an opportunity for guests to see and understand what rural local life is all about. A visit to the village and the local school will be included in your stay at Leroo La Tau. Activities during your three-night include game drives, night drives, and boat cruises on the Boteti River. Overnights at the LEROO LA TAU. (All Meals Daily)  
[www.desertdelta.com/botswana-safari-lodges](http://www.desertdelta.com/botswana-safari-lodges)



### **DAYS 6/7~WEDNESDAY/THURSDAY~JUNE 24/25 OKAVANGO DELTA/CAMP MOREMI**

Fly to Camp Moremi, situated in the eastern extremity of the Okavango Delta, within the Moremi Game Reserve. Shaded from the African sun by a forest of ancient ebony trees, Camp Moremi is an elegant thatch and timber lodge consisting of an elevated main lounge, wildlife reference library, dining room and cocktail bar. Accommodation is in 12 East African styled en-suite tents. Each is exquisitely furnished with a Rhodesian teak wardrobe, luggage rack, dressing table, bedside pedestals and traditional director's chairs, colorful woven rugs, designer linen and matching interior blinds.

Moremi Game Reserve supports the most diverse habitat and animal populations in Botswana, with possible sightings of wild dog, cheetah and leopard being highlights. Resident species include lion, elephant, buffalo, hippo, giraffe, hyena, zebra, kudu, lechwe, tsessebe, and Sable and Roan antelope.



The rare Sitatunga antelope lives in the papyrus banks of the waterways. Bird watching is excellent throughout the year, with powerboat visits to the heronries on Gadikwe. The reserve is home to over 400 species of birds and a vast variety of mammal, insect, plant, fish and reptile species have successfully adapted to the swamp conditions. Moremi Game Reserve is a wilderness paradise, with great game viewing throughout the year.

You'll be thrilled by the excitement of tracking animals in open 4X4 vehicles, conducted by experienced naturalists in the Kalahari, ancient mopane forest, open grassland, seasonal floodplains and riverine habitats that have created one of the



most magnificent animal sanctuaries in Africa. Moremi Game Reserve supports the most diverse habitat and animal populations in Botswana, with possible sightings of wild dog, cheetah and leopard being highlights. Resident species include lion, elephant, buffalo, hippo, giraffe, hyena, zebra, kudu, lechwe, tsessebe, Sable, and Roan antelope. The rare Sitatunga antelope lives in the papyrus banks of the waterways. Bird watching is excellent throughout the year, with powerboat visits to the heronries on Gadikwe. The reserve is home to over 400 species of birds and a vast variety of mammal, insect, plant, fish and reptile species have successfully adapted to the swamp conditions. Moremi Game Reserve is a wilderness paradise, with great game viewing throughout the year.

Overnights at CAMP MOREMI.(All Meals Daily)

[www.desertdelta.com/botswana-safari-lodges/camp-moremi-okavango-botswana.html](http://www.desertdelta.com/botswana-safari-lodges/camp-moremi-okavango-botswana.html)

### **DAYS 8/9~FRIDAY/SATURDAY~JUNE 26/27**

#### **OKAVANGO DELTA/CAMP OKAVANGO**

Today's flight takes you to one of the world's most distinctive regions, the Okavango Delta - earth's largest inland water system. Its headwaters start in Angola's western highlands, with numerous tributaries joining to form the Cubango River, which then flows through Namibia (called the Kavango) and finally enters Botswana, where it is then called the Okavango. Millions of years ago the Okavango River flowed into a large inland lake called Lake Makgadikgadi (now Makgadikgadi Pans). Tectonic activity and faulting interrupted the flow of the river causing it to backup and form what is now the Okavango Delta. This has created a unique system of water ways that now supports a vast array of animal and plant life that would have otherwise been a dry Kalahari savannah.

Your activities at Camp Okavango will center around *mokoro* (dugout canoe) rides, boat excursions and walking safaris. See the delta from water level and relax as you glide through quiet reed-lined channels. Birding is excellent, with Pels Fishing Owl and Wattled Crane being observed with regularity. In all, more than 600 species

reside within the 7,000 square miles of islands, marshes, flood plains, and channels of which the Okavango is comprised. Feel the beat of Africa beneath your feet on a walking safari, and take a boat through the reeds to spot some of the larger species such as elephant, red lechwe, zebra, wildebeest, giraffe, baboon, monkey, warthog, and buffalo, along with major predators such as lion, leopard, and hyena. If you are lucky, spot the elusive sitatunga antelope which have been known to sleep in the water, with only their nostrils resting above the water's surface.



Camp Okavango is situated on remote Nxaragha Island in the very heartland of the Okavango Delta and is essentially a water wilderness experience. The camp comprises of 12 two-bedded East African style tents featuring private sundecks and en-suite hot shower and waterborne toilets. Each tent is exquisitely furnished with a Rhodesian Teak wardrobe, luggage rack, dressing table, bedside pedestals and traditional director chairs, colorful woven rugs and other amenities aimed at your complete comfort. Camp Okavango's unashamed luxury blends with the Africa of yore in the elegant thatch and lethaka main lodge buildings. Meals are silver service at dining tables romantically lit by candelabra. The dining-room leads onto an expansive open-air patio for evenings around a blazing camp fire. Other lodge facilities include a cocktail bar, lounge, wildlife reference library, a secluded bird-viewing hide, shaded hammocks, reading benches and a delightful sun-deck and plunge pool for relaxation during the hot midday hours.



Overnights at the CAMP OKAVANGO. (All Meals Daily) [www.desertdelta.com/botswana-safari-lodges](http://www.desertdelta.com/botswana-safari-lodges)

#### **DAY 10~SUNDAY~JUNE 28**

##### **MAUN/JOHANNESBURG/EN ROUTE**

Enjoy a last wildlife run this morning and a hearty breakfast before flying back to Johannesburg via Maun where you connect with your flight back home. (B, Meals Aloft)

#### **DAY 11~MONDAY~JUNE 29**

##### **COLUMBIA**

Today you land back home, bringing with you the memories of all the wonderful sights of Southern Africa. (Meals Aloft)



## OPTIONAL POST-EXTENSION TO CHOBE NATIONAL PARK, BOTSWANA & VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE

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**DAYS 10/11~SUNDAY/MONDAY~JUNE 28/29**

### **CAMP MOREMI/KASANE/CHOBE GAME LODGE**

Today, bid farewell to the rest of the group returning home tonight, and connect with your flight to Kasane. Upon arrival you will be met and transferred to Chobe National Park where you will spend the next two days on wildlife viewing and boat activities. World renowned for its wildlife, Chobe is a symbol for so many of the things that are unusual, exciting and interesting in Botswana. It is the second largest park in Botswana, and the first declared national park. Your destination will be the Chobe River front, and your accommodation will be close to the town of Kasane, the heart of a road network which gives access to Zambia, Zimbabwe and to the Caprivi Strip of Namibia. The park covers a wide variety of country; riverine forest, floodplain, periodic marsh, mopane and miombo woodland and a few rocky outcrops. Such a diversity of habitats implies a wide variety of wildlife, which ranges from water animals such as hippo, crocodile, otter and fish, to forest and dry land species such as elephant, buffalo, giraffe, zebra and eland. In all areas, predators abound – lion, leopard, cheetah and hyena are plentiful. In the open grasslands of the pans, one can find the rare oribi and occasional reedbuck. Puku, an antelope associated with this park, can often be seen in herds around the edge of the river. The Chobe River is also well known for its magnificent bird viewing, with over 400 different species, ranging from eagles to kingfishers and from Marabou Storks to bee-eaters. Occasionally, Carmine Bee-eaters build colonies in the sand banks of the floodplains where they nest in their thousands. There are over 90 species of fish in the local waters, and if you're so inclined, an activity you might wish to partake is fishing.



A major feature of Chobe National Park is its overabundance of elephant often seen at the river front bathing in the water. Vast numbers of elephant come down to drink in the late afternoons and it is possible to see as many as 1,000 of these magnificent animals in a two-hour wildlife drive. The Chobe elephant comprise part of what is probably the largest surviving continuous elephant population, covering most of northern Botswana and northwestern Zimbabwe. Botswana's elephant population is currently estimated at around 120,000, which has built up steadily from a few thousand in the

early 1900s and has escaped the massive illegal off take that has decimated other populations in the 1970s and 1980s. These elephants are migratory, making seasonal movements of up to 124 miles from the Chobe and Linyanti Rivers, where they concentrate in the dry season, to the pans in the southeast of the park, to which they disperse in the rains. The elephants in this area have the distinction of being the largest in body size of all living elephants though the ivory is brittle and you will not see many huge tuskers among these gentle giants.

You will stay at the legendary Chobe Game Lodge, the only lodge located within the reserve, which served as the honeymoon spot for Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton's second marriage. The lodge is beautiful with yellow-gold stucco décor, open and colonial in style. The rooms have electricity, air conditioning, minibar and balconies. Relax in the luxury of your bedrooms affording breathtaking views of the Chobe River, or cool down in the landscaped swimming pool.



Overnights at the **CHOBEGAME LODGE** (All Meals Daily) [www.chobegamelodge.com](http://www.chobegamelodge.com)

### **DAYS 12/13~TUESDAY/WEDNESDAY~JUNE 30/JULY 1**

#### **VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE**

Head to Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, and the mighty Victoria Falls. At more than twice the size of Niagara Falls it's no surprise that Victoria Falls are among the Seven Wonders of the World. Mosi-oa-Tunya (*The Smoke that Thunders,*) derived from the towering column of spray when the Zambezi River runs high, is the name that Zimbabwe's local people have

given to this awesome natural phenomenon. The name is probably more appropriate and descriptive than "Victoria", which has a far too calm and composed ring to it to do justice to the masses of thundering, swirling water of these spectacular falls. But all Dr. David Livingstone probably thought of when he named the falls after his Queen in 1855 was his royal duty. Five separate falls make up this incredible spectacle that plunges more than 300 feet into a sheer-sided chasm which separates Zimbabwe from Zambia. The awe-inspiring abyss is spanned by a 1905 Edwardian bridge which links the two countries and many adventurers



now use to bungee jump. The masses of water plunging down the falls and into the gorge below originate from the mighty Zambezi River that meanders through more than 1,677 miles of African countryside.

Schedules, accommodations and prices are accurate at the time of writing. They are subject to change.



Your visit will include a tour of the falls on the Zimbabwe side. An afternoon sundowner cruise on a private boat will be a highlight as you glide along the Zambezi River, watching hippos snort, elephants drink on the riverbank, monkeys jump from branch to branch, birds fly overhead or pose for a photograph on the branches, and much more. Enjoy your gin and tonic, cool beer, or drink of choice, and see a panoramic sunset as the sun dips below the horizon, painting the whole area in unbelievable colors of brilliant reds, yellows, purples and mauves.

Overnights at the ELEPHANT CAMP. (All Meals Daily)  
[www.theelephantcamp.com](http://www.theelephantcamp.com)



### DAY 14~THURSDAY~JULY 2

#### VICTORIA FALLS/JOHANNESBURG/EN ROUTE

Last chance to photograph the incredible falls before transferring to the airport for your flight to Johannesburg where you connect with your overnight flight to the USA. (B, Meals Aloft)

### DAY 15~FRIDAY~JULY 3

#### COLUMBIA

This morning you land back home, bringing with you the memories of all the wonderful sights of Southern Africa. (Meals Aloft)



## OPTIONAL PRE-EXTENSION TO CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

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### **DAY 1~MONDAY~JUNE 15**

#### **COLUMBIA/EN ROUTE**

Your journey begins as you board your overnight flight to Cape Town via Atlanta. (Meals Aloft)

### **DAY 2~TUESDAY~JUNE 16**

#### **JOHANNESBURG/CAPE TOWN**

Upon arrival at the Johannesburg International Airport you will connect with your flight to Cape Town, South Africa's "Mother City". Upon arrival, you will be met and escorted to your hotel. The provincial capital, Cape Town, is a sophisticated city with plenty to see and do, particularly around the Victoria and Alfred Waterfront area, where delightful buildings of the Cape Dutch and Victorian-era architecture have been restored as shops, restaurants, museums and pubs, while the busy water traffic of the docks goes on unabated.

The perfect blend of heritage and modern luxury epitomizes the Taj Cape Town. Located in the city center, the hotel is steps from the popular area of St George's Mall which is a vibrant pedestrian precinct with wonderful pavement cafés and bars. You'll be amidst many significant historic buildings which include the St. George's Cathedral, the House of Parliament, the Castle of Good Hope, the Company's Gardens and many of Cape Town's national museums. All rooms are beautifully decorated and complete with every exclusive amenity. The Taj Cape Town has two spectacular restaurants - Mint and The Bombay Brasserie - and an unforgettable seafood, champagne and oyster bar known as The Twankey. The Jiva Grand Spa combines the wisdom and heritage of the respected Asian and Indian philosophies, surrounding wellness and



wellbeing, to create an unrivaled treatment experience. The hotel prides itself on providing unobtrusive and efficient service from a staff that genuinely delights in making guests feel at home.

Overnight at THE TAJ CAPE TOWN HOTEL. (Meals Aloft) <https://taj.tajhotels.com/en-in/taj-cape-town>

### DAY 3~WEDNESDAY~JUNE 17

#### CAPE TOWN/CAPE PENINSULA

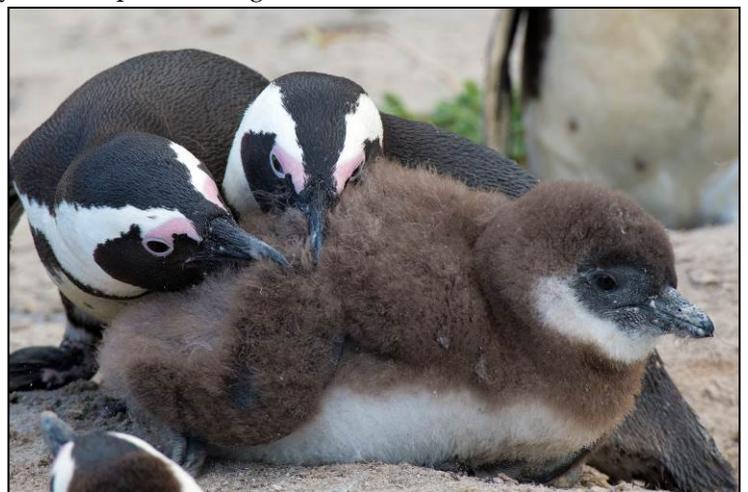
Your luxury motor coach takes you on a breathtaking coastal drive to the Cape of Good Hope. You are surrounded by spectacular mountains, rugged shorelines, and the blue sea below. See Devil's Peak, Lion's Head, Table Mountain and the

Twelve Apostles. Pass quaint seaside towns as you continue to Cape Point where the stormy waters of the Atlantic meet up with the calm waters of the Indian Ocean. At Cape Point, climb the steps or ride a funicular to the top where you can explore a lighthouse, enjoy the views or even indulge in a bit of shopping. Take a close look at the ocean where you may see southern right whales in the spring and early summer as well as dolphins and a variety of seabirds. You will also have the chance to explore the Cape Point Nature Reserve which is host to approximately half of the 2,700 species of indigenous plants contained in the Cape Peninsula. Look for the distinctive orange found in leucospermums, one of the rarest types of proteas – the mimites, marvel at the



helicrysoms and pelarganium callullums, and enjoy the ericas, phenacommas and fine bush which the Dutch called "fynbos." There are 250 species of birds in the reserve, ranging from ostriches to minuscule sunbirds. Caracal, chacma baboon, a wide variety of buck and various other mammal species may be seen, including Cape Mountain zebra and the bontebok which is endemic to this part of the world. The baboons feed occasionally on marine foods which they garner at low tide. At Olifants Bay, look for Oystercatchers, and enjoy some superb birding.

Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant, and continue to Boulders Beach where the African (Jackass) Penguins can be seen – also known as the Black-footed Penguins. These flightless seabirds are found only on the coast of Southern Africa and the only penguins found on this continent. Enjoy a delightful walk on a specially-built platform onto the little sheltered beach where they nest among the rocks, and "waddle" up and down into and out of the sea. Since the penguins are accustomed to human presence you can safely get within a few feet of them as you stand on the platform, and it is sometimes possible to view them nesting behind rocks and bushes.



Return to Cape Town in the evening, where you have another chance to discover one of the numerous restaurants that Cape Town has to offer.

Overnight at the TAJ CAPE TOWN HOTEL. (B,L)

## DAY 4~THURSDAY~JUNE 18

### CAPE TOWN: CAPE MALAY/ KHAYELITSHA (NEW HOME)

Your first stop for the day is Cape Malay Quarter, or 'Bo-Kaap' which sprawls along the slopes of Signal Hill, bordering Cape Town, presenting a scenario of enduring historic and cultural significance. It's certainly worth taking the time to explore the area when you come to Cape Town. Bo-Kaap's attractive, brightly colored, flat-roofed houses, decorative mosques and the sound of the muezzin calling over the city streets have remained relatively undisturbed for all this time. The major threat facing this attractive area is now not forced removals, but gentrification, as image-conscious yuppies move into and renovate the lovely old buildings, taking advantage of the sea views and proximity to the city center.



Here, you will have a hands-on, practical lesson on how to cook like a real Cape Malay 'Auntie!' Learn how to fold samoosa's and mix masala for that perfect pot of Cape Malay curry!



A local woman will host you at her home, where you will not only learn secret cooking techniques, but also get an insight into daily life in the Bo-Kaap. The workshop ends with lunch where you can share your experiences with the group whilst indulging in a mouth-watering traditional meal.

Your day ends with a visit to the settlement of Khayelitsha, on the Cape Flats. Khayelitsha means "new home" and was established in 1984 during the tribal war outbreak in informal settlements. Like many other townships, it was created during the apartheid era as a dormitory area for the working class. Today residents continue to face challenges of HIV/AIDS and poverty in post-apartheid South Africa.

Duties permitting, you will meet founder Vivian Zilo and spend time with her gaining a personal insight into her work in the community and learning more about the area in which they live. Vivian established the Iliso Care Society in June 2005 when she solicited the help of four other women to begin providing services to her community. The mission of the Iliso Care Society is to fight poverty, encourage community empowerment, organize workshops for youth, provide safety and care for orphans and vulnerable children, the elderly and school children. ICS started giving meals to over 100 beneficiaries once a day from Monday through Friday, but the numbers were increasing each and every day. Today, Vivian brings new hope to the people of Khayelitsha and you will get a chance to experience this first hand.

Overnight at the TAJ CAPE TOWN. (B,L)



## DAY 5~FRIDAY~JUNE 19

### CAPE TOWN: TABLE MOUNTAIN/WINELANDS

Get a feel of what Cape Town is all about by taking the cable car to the top of Table Mountain, the signature of this city, easily one of the most recognizable mountains. This tour is very dependent on the wind factor, as well as the clouds. Many a times a cloud covers this flat-topped mountain, which rises to 3,563 feet above sea level and the locals affectionately say it's a white tablecloth. Legend has it that a retired pirate, on climbing the mountain met up with the devil. In order to preserve his soul, the pirate challenged the devil in a smoking contest. So, they stoked up their pipes and have been smoking ever since. For centuries Table Mountain has been a guiding beacon to mariners rounding the Cape of Southern Africa. Sir Francis Drake described it as "the most stately thing and the fairest cape we saw in the whole circumference of the earth." Despite its formidable appearance, it is possible to hike up



Table Mountain. The first recorded ascent was in 1503 by the Portuguese navigator Antonio da Saldanha who, confused by the Cape Peninsula geography, climbed to the summit via the frontal cleft, now known as Platteklip Gorge. For nature lovers, the birding is awesome, and the wild flowers include agapanthus, watsonias and red nerines which poke out from rock crevices amid a scrub of ericas and gnarled proteas. More than 1400 species of flowering plants have been recorded on the mountain which makes it a spectacular sight in the spring. Cute guinea pig-like creatures known as rock dassies, or hyraxes, (genetically, the closest living relatives to elephants) scuttle everywhere. They are not afraid and scamper among the tourists seeking to be fed.

Continue to the wine lands region situated below the spectacular Boland Mountains only 50 minutes from the city. Discover the internationally acclaimed vineyards of Stellenbosch, Paarl and Franschhoek on the Western Cape, along a most scenic route. You will visit the historic estate of Boschendal with some of the most brilliantly preserved Cape Dutch buildings in the Cape, and its collection of priceless period furniture. You will also visit Franschhoek with its lovely antique shops and gardens, nestled in the "Valley of the Huguenots" where the French first settled in 1688. All the wine estates you will be visiting in the region offer tastings and cellar tours and you will enjoy lunch in one of them. This afternoon, explore the university town of Stellenbosch, the oldest town in South Africa after Cape Town, undoubtedly the most scenic and historically-preserved town in Southern Africa. Oak-lined streets next to water furrows compliment the many fine examples of elegant Cape Dutch, Victorian and Georgian architecture - all part of this unique "Town of Oaks". Overnight at the TAJ CAPE TOWN HOTEL. (B,L)



**DAY 6~SATURDAY~JUNE 20**  
**CAPE TOWN/JOHANNESBURG**

This morning is devoted to Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens, arguably one of the most beautiful gardens in the world. Founded in 1913, Kirstenbosch lies on the eastern slopes of Table Mountain and consists of landscaped gardens of indigenous plants and trees, watered by the Liesbeek River, as well as natural forest that extend up to the lower slopes. Kirstenbosch covers an area of 1,383 acres, 148 of which are cultivated; the remainder is a natural flora reserve. It is a living display featuring 9,000 of the estimated 20,000 species of indigenous South African flora, and close to 50% of the peninsula's floral wealth. In the cultivated area, related plants are grouped together and radiate from the central lawns like the spokes of a wheel. Among the interesting sections here are the Cycad Amphitheatre, which hosts most species of these "living fossils" found in southern Africa; the famed Protea Garden on the higher slopes, with its profuse growth of silver trees (*Leucadendron argenteum*); the JV Mathews Rock Garden (named after the first curator) containing succulents of the genera *Crassula*, *Aloe*, *Lampranthus* and *Euphorbia*; the *Erica* Garden and the *Pelargonium* Koppie. Two streams cut through Kirstenbosch, both laced with besembos, red alder and hard fern. Of historical interest is an avenue of camphor trees and fig trees planted by Cecil Rhodes in 1898, and a small section of wild almond (*Brabejum stellatifolium*) hedge planted by Dutch settler Jan van Riebeeck in 1660. Birds of all sorts can be seen here as well - Dusky and Paradise Flycatchers, sunbirds, Klaas's cuckoos, bulbuls, pigeons, brilliant green and red Cape Sugarbirds (which pollinate the flowers), guinea fowls, and the Cape Batis.



Later today, transfer to the airport for your flight to Johannesburg to meet up with the group arriving from the US this evening. (B)

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## INCLUSIONS

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- All flights between the camps.
- Roundtrip flight between Johannesburg and Cape Town on the pre-extension.
- Flight between Victoria Falls and Johannesburg on the post-extension.
- Superior accommodations throughout as indicated or similar.
- All meals while on safari. Other meals as specified in itinerary.
- All wildlife viewing by private 4X4 open vehicles, driven by professional driver/guides.
- Specialist guide will accompany the group with a minimum of 8 travelers.
- Satch Krantz will accompany the group with a minimum of 10 travelers on the main and on the extension program.
- Laundry and all local beverages during safari in Botswana except for Champagne and imported spirits.
- Complimentary bottled water in vehicles throughout.
- All applicable hotel and lodge taxes and gratuities for baggage handling.
- All park entry fees and sightseeing as specified.
- Complimentary baggage tags and passport wallet.
- Complimentary emergency evacuation insurance.

## EXCLUSIONS

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- International airfare from Columbia including fuel surcharges and airline taxes (currently, subject to change).
- Passport and visa fees and service charges for obtaining visas. US citizens do not require a visa for traveling to South Africa or Botswana, but must obtain a visa in order to enter Zimbabwe.
- Gratuities to driver/guides and other conveyance attendants. *Gratuities should only be given as a reward for exceptional service and is at your discretion. We estimate \$15 per person/per day for the specialist guide. \$10 per person/per day for the drivers on land and during safari. \$10 per person/per day for the camp staff. \$5 for the mokoro paddle/boat driver, per outing. \$3 per person for each arrival and departure transfer from the airport /hotel. These are daily per service estimates and an exact tipping chart will be detailed on your final itinerary.*
- Excess baggage charges levied by airlines.
- Meals and beverages, other than specified.
- Laundry, other than specified and other items of a personal nature.
- Personal and baggage insurance.
- Cost for anything not specifically mentioned in the listing above.

PLEASE NOTE THE ITINERARY SEQUENCE IS CORRECT AT THE TIME OF WRITING, BUT IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

## CLASSIC ESCAPES CONSERVATION FUND

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In keeping with our mission to provide exciting, educational, and fun-filled experiences that nurture and directly support the diverse wildlife and cultures we visit around the world, Classic Escapes has established the Classic Escapes Conservation Fund to ensure that a percentage of all profits go to support conservation and wildlife researchers performing their critical work in the field. Project support has included wild dog, elephant, rhino and cheetah conservation in Botswana, Kenya, Tanzania and Namibia, penguins in Punta San Juan Peru, tiger preservation in India, and sponsoring school children in Kenya, among many other projects around the world. By traveling with Classic Escapes, you are supporting travel as a tool for building the mutual respect, awareness and understanding that are vital to preserving this planet for future generations.



## THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT SOUTHERN AFRICA

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### Participants:

- Must be able to climb in and out of safari 4 x 4 vehicles, minibuses, small aircrafts and boats/mokoros unassisted. People need to be willing to rotate seats.
- Must be able to stand and/or walk moderate distances when visiting villages, towns, or other sites. This walking will be on uneven ground or uphill, often at altitudes many people are not used to.
- Should generally be in good health and prepared to travel in locations without medical facilities.

### In general, this trip requires:

- Flexibility and good humor – unexpected changes and/or glitches will occur
- A spirit of adventure and curiosity
- Interest in and willingness to appreciate a destination with uneven infrastructure and a bending definition of comfort. That being said, some locations are nestled in absolute luxury where pampering is the norm.

### Air Schedules

Choosing the best possible air arrangements for our travelers is always a challenge. We work with many airlines that offer the best level of service, routings and value for our programs. While there may indeed be more direct routings available with another airline, the cost of these flights may not be within the budget that allows us to give you the best value possible. If you prefer to purchase your own international air, please feel free to choose the "land only" rate for this program. **The start and the end city for this program is Johannesburg, South Africa.**

*Upon registration, you must provide your full legal name as it appears on your passport. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, you will be responsible for charges associated with reissuing the ticket.*



# YOUR JOURNEY AT A GLANCE

**INCLUDING:** JOHANNESBURG, MAUN, MAKGADIKGADI PAN NATIONAL PARK, NXAI PANS NATIONAL PARK OKAVANGO DELTA, MOREMI GAME RESERVE. POST-EXTENSION TO CHOBE NATIONAL PARK & VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE. PRE-EXTENSION TO CAPE TOWN

**SPONSORED BY:** RIVERBANKS ZOO AND GARDEN

**ESCORTED BY:** SATCH KRANTZ, PRESIDENT EMERITUS

**DATES:** JUNE 19 TO 29, 2020

<b>COST: PER PERSON, DOUBLE OCCUPANCY</b>	<b>MAIN PROGRAM BASED ON 10 TRAVELERS</b>	<b>PRE-EXTENSION TO CAPE TOWN BASED ON 10 TRAVELERS</b>	<b>POST EXTENSION TO CHOBE &amp; VICTORIA FALLS BASED ON 10 TRAVELERS</b>
LAND PACKAGE	\$8,995 PER PERSON	\$3,595 PER PERSON	\$3,195 PER PERSON
SINGLE ROOM SUPPLEMENT*	\$2,895 PER PERSON, ADDITIONAL	\$995 PER PERSON, ADDITIONAL	\$995 PER PERSON, ADDITIONAL
ESTIMATED AIR FROM COLUMBIA, INCLUDING ESTIMATED DEPARTURE TAXES & FUEL SURCHARGES (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)**	\$3,790 PER PERSON, ADDITIONAL	N/A	N/A
ROUND TRIP AIRFARE BETWEEN JOHANNESBURG & MAUN IF INTERNATIONAL AIR IS NOT PURCHASED THROUGH CLASSIC ESCAPES	\$730 PER PERSON, ADDITIONAL	N/A	N/A

\*SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: RATE IS VALID FOR FIRST TWO SINGLE ROOMS BOOKED. IF MORE THAN TWO SINGLE ROOMS, ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENT MAY APPLY. SINGLES ARE ASSIGNED ON A FIRST COME/FIRST SERVE BASIS.

\*\*ALL INTERNATIONAL AIRFARES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND BASED ON MINIMUM NUMBER OF 10 TRAVELERS. TAXES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE UNTIL TICKETED. IF LESS THAN 10 TRAVELERS, THE FARE WILL INCREASE & SUPPLEMENTAL COSTS WILL BE GIVEN TO THE TRAVELERS PRIOR TO ISSUING THE TICKETS, APPROXIMATELY TWO MONTHS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE. **NOTE THAT THE SPECIAL RATES NEGOTIATED BY CLASSIC ESCAPES ARE NOT UPGRADABLE.**

**DEPARTURE CITY:** COLUMBIA

(OTHER DEPARTURE CITIES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST)



## CONDITIONS OF TRAVEL:

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### REGISTRATION

**HOW TO BOOK:** Fill out and sign the enclosed reservation form and send it, along with the relevant deposit as shown below, to: CLASSIC ESCAPES, 58-25 Queens Blvd., Woodside, NY 11377. Upon receipt of your signed reservation form and deposit, we will, subject to availability, reserve your spot on the tour. You may consider your booking confirmed when you receive a confirmation notice and invoice from us.

### PAYMENTS

**DEPOSIT:** A deposit of \$2,000 per person for the main trip and \$750 for each extension must be submitted at the time of booking. Deposits may be paid by check or charged to American Express, MasterCard, Visa or Discover.

**FINAL PAYMENT:** Final payment is due 95 days before departure (March 16, 2020) – you will receive a final invoice. Final payment is payable by check or money order ONLY.

**RATES:** Rates are based on the minimum number of guests outlined in this document, plus airfare costs, currency exchange rates and other factors and are subject to change. Though it is rare for Classic Escapes to make a price adjustment after promotion of an itinerary, we do reserve the right to assess a surcharge if the minimum is not met, or if increases are forced upon us by airlines or other partners or because of changes in currency exchange rates.

**NOT INCLUDED:** Cost of passport and visa fees, and service charges for obtaining visa fees; excess baggage charges levied by airlines; laundry and other items of a personal nature; optional travel insurance policy; cost for anything not specifically included in listing above.

**SINGLE SUPPLEMENT:** The quoted rate is valid for the first two single rooms booked and on a first-come, first-served basis. If more than two single rooms are needed, an additional supplement may apply. Single accommodations are not guaranteed but will be provided at additional cost if available (see reservation form for cost.) The single room supplement pays for privacy, not better accommodations. For passengers who are traveling alone and wish to share a room with another tour member, we will do our best to provide a roommate. However, if this is not possible, you will be required to pay the single room supplement prior to your departure from the USA.

**GRATUITIES AND TAXES:** Gratuities for baggage handling, service charges and taxes imposed by hotels, and entrance fees to all points of interest as outlined in the itinerary are included. U.S. and foreign airport taxes are included in air costs. Tips to drivers and naturalist are **NOT** included.

### CANCELLATIONS, DEVIATIONS & CHANGES

**TRAVEL INSURANCE:** We recommend travel insurance. Travel insurance can provide financial reimbursement should the unexpected occur.

**CANCELLATIONS:** Cancellations are only effective on receipt of written notification. The following per person fees are applicable on this tour:

- Up to March 16, 2020, \$300 handling fee, plus \$500 non-refundable deposits given to overseas suppliers.
- March 17 to 27, 2020, deposit is forfeited.
- March 28 to April 5, 2020, less 75% of tour cost on both the main trip and the extension.
- After April 5, 2020, no refund is possible.

These cancellation fees are also in addition to any fees imposed by airlines.

**CHANGE FEES:** Once you reserve your tour, changes are possible at a cost of \$150 per person subject to availability of air or land space at the time of request. Should there be any change fees imposed by airlines or ground operators, or additional costs incurred due to availability of any space, this cost will be invoiced to you.

**SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS:** We would be happy to make additional travel plans for you, including specially arranged pre- or post-tour extensions different than those that may be offered in conjunction with this tour. A service charge of \$150 per person (over and above the cost of the services required) will be assessed.

## DOCUMENTS

**PASSPORT & VISAS:** The onus is upon the guest to ensure that passports and visas are valid for the countries visited and for the applicable time period, as outlined by the U.S. Department of State ([travel.state.gov](http://travel.state.gov)) or by the passport holder's country. Classic Escapes, their staff and their agents cannot be held liable for any visas, etc. not held by the guests, nor for the cost of obtaining visas.

**PRE-DEPARTURE INFORMATION:** Upon receipt of your registration and deposit, we will send a pre-departure packet to you. This packet contains all the information you need to prepare for your tour, including the complete itinerary, packing checklist, required documents, insurance information, etc.

**FINAL DOCUMENTS:** Final documents and tickets will be sent to you approximately two weeks prior to departure, provided all monies have been paid in full.

## TRANSPORTATION

**AIR TRANSPORTATION:** Roundtrip, economy-class flights via DELTA AIR LINES and/or other IATAN carriers are between COLUMBIA, and the destination city noted in the itinerary. Rates are based on special promotional fares; cancellation fees apply once tickets are issued. Departures from other cities in the USA are possible at additional cost; inquire at the time of reservation. Please note that these promotional fares are subject to 10 passengers traveling together on the same airline routing and itinerary. If this minimum is not met, the special group rates are not applicable and it might become necessary to issue instant purchase tickets earlier than when final payment is due in order to take advantage of airfares that are similar to the group rates. Should this occur, you will be contacted with the details.

**AIRLINE SEATING:** For DELTA AIR LINES, we request seats together for the group. All planes are non-smoking. We can request a seating preference on your behalf, however requested seats cannot be guaranteed. Requests should be made in writing no later than 60 days prior to departure. Bulkhead and/or emergency row seats can only be requested at airport check-in on the day of departure. Classic Escapes cannot provide the **Comfort Seating Service** as this is available on specific flights subject to availability and commercial laws as determined by each airline and at their own discretion. Boarding passes will only be issued at the airport on the day of departure. You may inquire about seat changes during check in, based on availability and is at the sole discretion of airport staff.

**FREQUENT FLYER MILEAGE:** Your program is based on travelling via DELTA AIR LINES. For a list of the airline's partners, visit [http://www.delta.com/content/www/en\\_US/skymiles.html](http://www.delta.com/content/www/en_US/skymiles.html). Obtain frequent flyer mileage on any of these carriers. Present your frequent flyer card for all flight check-ins and keep the boarding passes until you receive a statement with the mileage credit

**TRANSFERS:** Roundtrip airport transfers are included in the tour for guests arriving on group flights. If travelers make their own air arrangements, they will be subject to extra transfer fees.

## TRIP DETAILS

**ACCOMMODATIONS:** You will marvel at the wonderful accommodations provided throughout your tour. All rooms have private bathroom facilities and air conditioning and/or fans. All rates are based on double occupancy. Most rooms are twin-bedded, but king-size beds are occasionally available and should be requested in advance. Accommodations listed in this itinerary are correct at time of writing, but on rare occasions may be substituted for a different property of comparable quality.

**MEALS:** All meals as specified in the itinerary. Please notify us if you have special dietary needs or requests, and we will do our best to accommodate.

**INOCULATIONS:** When it comes to vaccination and disease prevention, we suggest that travelers first review information provided by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ([www.cdc.gov/travel](http://www.cdc.gov/travel)) and then review those details with their personal physicians.

**WATER:** It is always advisable to drink bottled and/or filtered water when traveling overseas. Safe drinking water will be provided to travelers free of charge in the vehicles and during meals.

**BAGGAGE:** On average, international flights from the USA allow one piece of checked luggage, not exceeding 50 pounds, plus a carry-on piece not exceeding 15 pounds; however, we always recommend that you check your airline's policy just before departure, as luggage limitations are always subject to change. Despite this international weight allowance, we always suggest guests travel light as the weight allowance on the small planes in Botswana is 44 pounds, including hand luggage and camera equipment. Further, only soft-sided duffel bags are accepted, without wheels, as they stow best in vehicles and airplanes with limited space.

**LUGGAGE ALLOWANCES ON INTERNAL FLIGHTS:** Your journey includes internal flights aboard light aircraft which are designed with a maximum luggage allowance; this is closely monitored by the flight operators for safety reasons. You are allowed one carry-on and one piece of luggage, total weight. **44.092 Lbs.** (20 kg's) per person including the camera equipment.

**PERSONAL WEIGHT ALLOWANCES ON INTERNAL FLIGHTS:** Your journey includes internal flights aboard light aircraft which are designed with a maximum body weight and luggage allowance; this is closely monitored by the flight operators for safety reasons. If your personal weight exceeds **85 kilos (187 lbs.)** it may be necessary to purchase an extra seat and your Classic Escapes Operations Manager will contact you should this be necessary.

## TERMS & CONDITIONS

**RESPONSIBILITIES:** Neither Classic Escapes (the Company) nor any person or agent acting for, through or on behalf of the Company shall be liable for any loss or damage whatsoever arising from any cause whatsoever and without restricting the generality of the foregoing shall particularly not be responsible for loss or damage arising from any errors or omissions contained in its brochure or other literature, loss or damage caused by delays, sickness, theft, injury or death. In addition, the Company shall have the right at any time at its discretion to cancel any trip or the remainder thereof or make any alteration in route, accommodation, price or other details and, in the event of any trip being rendered impossible, illegal or inadvisable by weather, strike, war, government or interference or any other cause whatsoever, the extra expenses incurred as a result thereof shall be the responsibility of the passenger. The Company may at its discretion and without liability or cost to itself at any time cancel or terminate the guest's booking and in particular without limiting the generality of the foregoing it shall be entitled to do so in the event of the illness or the illegal or incompatible behavior of the guest, who shall in such circumstances not be entitled to any refund.

**PHOTOGRAPHY:** The Company reserves the right without further notice to make use of any photograph or film taken on the tour by our photographers without payment or permission. We guarantee that no photographs of a compromising nature will be used.

**CHANGES TO SCHEDULES:** Although every effort is made to adhere to schedules it should be borne in mind that the Company reserves the right and in fact is obliged to occasionally change routes and hotels as dictated by changing conditions.

**REFUNDS:** While the Company uses its best endeavors to ensure that all anticipated accommodation is available as planned, there shall be no claim of any nature whatsoever against the Company for a refund either in the whole or part, if any accommodation or excursion is unavailable and a reasonable alternative is found. If the guest is unable to use any service provided in the itinerary, then there are no refunds due.

**AIRLINE CLAUSE:** The airlines concerned are not to be held liable for any act, omission or event during the time the passengers are not on board their planes or conveyance. The passengers' tickets in use by the airline or by other carriers concerned when issued shall constitute the sole contract between the airlines and the purchaser of these tickets and/or passengers.

**DELAYS:** We cannot be held liable for any delays or additional costs incurred as a result of airlines not running to schedule. If one of our guides is unable to take a trip due to illness, etc. we reserve the right to substitute with another guide. This agreement is made subject to and shall be governed by and construed according to the laws of the country in which the trip takes place. Classic Escapes act merely as an agent for the operating companies. To the best of our knowledge the itinerary is correct at the time of printing. We cannot be held responsible for any inaccuracies or changes that may occur after printing.

## HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

You must be in good physical and mental health. It shall be your duty to inform us in case you have any medical condition that may affect your ability to enjoy and pursue fully the services of Classic Escapes. By registering for a Classic Escapes service/program, you certify that you do not have any mental, physical, or other condition or disability that would create a hazard for yourself or others.

**CONSENT:** The payment of the deposit OR any other partial payment for a reservation on a trip constitutes consent by all guests covered by that payment to all provisions of the conditions and general information contained in this brochure whether the guest has signed the booking form or not. The terms, under which you agree to take this trip, cannot be changed or amended except in writing signed by an authorized director of the Company.

**INSURANCE:** It is a condition of booking, that the sole responsibility lies with the guest to ensure that they carry the correct comprehensive travel and medical insurance to cover themselves, as well as any dependents/traveling companions for the duration of their trip. This insurance should include cover in respect of, but not limited to, the following eventualities: cancellation or curtailment of the tour, emergency evacuation expenses, medical expenses, repatriation expenses, damage/theft/loss of personal baggage, money and goods. Classic Escapes, including their representatives, employees and agents will take no responsibility for any costs, losses incurred or suffered by the guest, or guest's dependents or traveling companions, with regards to, but not limited to, any of the above-mentioned eventualities. Guests will be charged directly by the relevant service providers for any emergency services they may require, and may find themselves in a position unable to access such services should they not be carrying the relevant insurance cover.

**INCLUDED EMERGENCY EVACUATION COVERAGE:** For the convenience of our travelers, Classic Escapes provides a complimentary Medical Insurance Plan during this trip through Travel Guard Group, Inc. This includes:

- Emergency evacuation insurance up to \$100,000.
- Up to \$25,000 medical expense and up to \$500 dental expense coverage subject to the terms and limitations of the insurance policy.
- 24-hour worldwide travel and medical assistance.

Please click here to view complete coverage of details.

[https://webservices.travelguard.com/Product/FileRetrieval.aspx?CountryCode=US&StateCode=NW&ProductCode=009031&PlanCode=P4&FileType=PROD\\_PLAN\\_DOC](https://webservices.travelguard.com/Product/FileRetrieval.aspx?CountryCode=US&StateCode=NW&ProductCode=009031&PlanCode=P4&FileType=PROD_PLAN_DOC)



## SAFARI AIR LUGGAGE RESTRICTIONS

**It is of vital importance that all guests traveling to Botswana strictly adhere to the luggage limits and regulations as stipulated below.**

**Please note:**

<b>LUGGAGE WEIGHT LIMIT PER PERSON *</b>	<b>44.092 Lbs. (20 kg's)</b> – total weight inclusive of luggage and hand luggage/camera equipment.
<b>LUGGAGE TYPE</b>	Soft sided bags – no hard-shelled bags, wheels or frames allowed.
<b>LUGGAGE DIMENSIONS**</b>	10 inches wide x 12 inches high x 24 inches long.

\*This is the total weight including both luggage and hand luggage/camera equipment. This is a safety requirement due to the sensitive weight and balance checks on the small aircraft and must be strictly adhered to. Travelers who require additional luggage must pre-book and pay for this on confirmation of the reservation. We would like to remind you that complimentary laundry services are available in all camps and lodges.

\*\*Please keep in mind that the baggage compartments on most of the light aircraft are only 25cm (10 inches) high, so the pilots must have the ability to manipulate the bag into the compartment.



**NO WHEELED OR PULL HANDCASES**



**NO HARD BODY CASES**



**SOFT SIDED BAGS**

### HANDLING OF INCORRECT LUGGAGE ON ARRIVAL

Guests arriving in Botswana, who have not adhered to the luggage guidelines as per above, will NOT be able to depart on the scheduled charter. They will be given the option to book a private charter at additional costs to be paid directly prior to departure and subject to the availability of aircraft at the time of booking these flights. No refunds on the costs paid for scheduled charters which were missed due to their incorrect luggage and or accommodation not provided due to this delay will be provided. In all cases, additional arrangements for transfers, overnight accommodation in Maun or Kasane and meals are for the guests own account.

### ASSISTANCE WITH BAGGAGE PRIOR TO ARRIVAL

Should guests be travelling with the incorrect luggage and require assistance with storage (which we offer at no additional cost) or transportation to their point of departure from Botswana (transportation costs apply), this can be arranged provided this has been brought to our attention prior to their arrival in Botswana, preferably at the time of final booking confirmation.

# HELP US GO GREEN

Dear Traveler,

In an effort to help protect our planet, Classic Escapes has begun the transition of becoming paperless. We need your help getting there!

## Did you know?

*Recycling one ton of paper saves 20 trees, 7,000 gallons of water, three cubic yards of landfill space, 60 pounds of air pollutants, and saves enough energy to power the average home for six months...*

Please indicate in the chart below whether or not you prefer to receive paperless correspondence from us – all you need to do is put a check under the “green” symbol for yes or a check under the “NO” for no.

Simply fax or email your responses to [reservations@classicescapes.com](mailto:reservations@classicescapes.com)!

You Will Receive The Following Items For Your Program:		NO
Welcome Letter		
Preliminary Materials - prelude packet and invoice		
Reminder Invoice with balance due		
Paid-in-Full Invoice		
Final Documents - species list, journal and final booklet		

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Trip Tour Code: **20AFZ0619/Riverbanks**

Together we can make the world a better place!

Thank you for your support,



# RESERVATION FORM:

RIVERBANKS ~ BOTSWANA

20AFZ0619/Riverbanks

Enclosed is my deposit for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$2,000 per person for the main trip and \$750 for each extension) to hold \_\_\_\_\_ place(s) on the Wildlife Safari to Botswana departing on June 19, 2020. Cost is \$8,995 per person, double occupancy, land only. International air from Columbia is \$3,790, including departure taxes & fuel surcharges. (As of August 2, 2019 - subject to change)

**Final payment due date is: March 16, 2020**

Please make check payable to CLASSIC ESCAPES and mail to 58-25 Queens Blvd., Woodside, NY 11377 **OR**

Charge deposit to:  MasterCard  Visa  American Express  Discover

(Credit Card Authorization form needs to be completed and returned to Classic Escapes via mail or fax to 718-204-4726)

Deposits can be made by credit card; however, all final payments are required to be made by check or money order only.

1) NAME (As appears on passport):  Mr.  Mrs.  Ms. \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth (M/D/Y) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Passport No. \_\_\_\_\_ Green Card No. \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_ Nationality \_\_\_\_\_

2) NAME (As appears on passport):  Mr.  Mrs.  Ms. \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth (M/D/Y) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Passport No. \_\_\_\_\_ Green Card No. \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_ Nationality \_\_\_\_\_

NAME FOR NAME BADGE IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE: 1) \_\_\_\_\_ 2) \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONES: HOME: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ OFFICE: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ MOBILE: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**A copy of your passport must accompany this form to confirm reservation. Upon receipt of your signed reservation form, passport copy and deposit we will, subject to availability, reserve your spot on the tour. Passport must be valid for at least 6 months after the return of your trip and have six consecutive blank pages in the visa section.**

- I certify that I have not recently been treated for, nor am I aware of any physical or other condition or liability that would create a hazard to myself or the other members of this tour.
- The two of us above are sharing a room and, where possible, would like a room with:  ONE  TWO Beds (Make one selection only)
- I am sharing with \_\_\_\_\_ (form sent separately)
- I need assistance in securing a roommate. I understand if Riverbanks Zoo or the tour operator cannot locate one for me by final payment date, I agree to pay the additional single. I prefer to share with:  Smoker  Non-smoker
- I desire single accommodations, if available, and will pay the single supplement additional cost of:  
 \$2,895 for the main trip  \$995 for the Chobe/Victoria Falls post extension  \$995 for the Cape Town pre-extension
- I/We wish to participate in the optional extension(s) at an additional per person cost of:  
 \$3,595 for the Chobe/Victoria Falls post extension  \$3,195 for the Cape Town pre-extension

- Please make my/our round-trip air reservations on the group flights from Columbia via Delta Air Lines.
- Please make domestic round-trip air reservations for me from my home city: \_\_\_\_\_ to connect with the group flights and let me know the additional cost.  
Please send me information on air upgrades for:  Business/First Class (only one class - business/first - exists)  
Airline Seating Preference  Aisle  Window Frequent Flier # \_\_\_\_\_

*\*\*We can request a seating preference on your behalf, however this is only a request and NOT guaranteed, as some seating assignments may be airport check-in only. Requests should be made in writing no later than 60 days prior to departure. Bulkhead and/or emergency row seats can only be requested at airport check-in on the day of departure. Also note that even if we do obtain your preferred seat, it is not guaranteed that the seat will be provided during check-in as there might be equipment changes that nullify our selection. The special rates negotiated by Classic Escapes are not upgradable.*

- I/We will make own air arrangements and will provide you with an itinerary before trip departure. I understand I will be billed \$730 for the internal air within Africa.

All rates quoted are based on tariffs and value of foreign currencies in relation to the U.S. dollar in effect as of August 2, 2019, and are subject to change. Cancellation penalties applicable as outlined on Conditions of Travel. **WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU OBTAIN TRAVEL INSURANCE. RESERVATIONS ARE ACCEPTED SUBJECT TO TOUR CONDITIONS AND WILL BE CONFIRMED ONLY IF ACCOMPANIED BY COMPLETED FORM SIGNED BY THE TOUR PARTICIPANT(S).**

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

CLASSIC ESCAPES INC.

58-25 Queens Blvd., Woodside, NY 11377

(We recommend that you keep a copy of your selections as noted above for your future reference)



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**RIVERBANKS ZOO ~BOTSWANA**  
**JUNE 19 TO 29, 2020**

**CREDIT CARD PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION**

*Please Note: If you wish to charge your deposit to Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover, this authorization form MUST be completed and returned to us along with your reservation form before we can process your application.*

I authorize (**Classic Escapes Inc.**) to charge my VISA/MASTERCARD/DISCOVER/AMEX listed below:

Name appearing on credit card

Card number Expiration date

Card Verification Number\* Card Type

Billing address of credit card

Amount of transaction

Services rendered/Items purchased

Phone number

Signature Date

**\*How To Locate Your Card Verification Number:**

**(Visa, MasterCard, Discover:** Locate the credit card number on the back of the card above the signature box. Enter the 3-digit number which follows the credit card number. **American Express:** Enter the 4-digit number found directly above and to the right of the credit card number.)

I understand that all rates quoted on this tour I'm making a payment on are based on tariffs and value of foreign currencies in relation to the U.S. dollar in effect as of August 2, 2019, and are subject to change Cancellations are only effective on receipt of written notification. The following per person fees are applicable on this tour:

- Up to March 16, 2020, \$300 handling fee, plus \$500 non-refundable deposits given to overseas suppliers.
- March 17 to 27, 2020, deposit is forfeited.
- March 28 to April 5, 2020, less 75% of tour cost on both the main trip and the extension.
- After April 5, 2020, no refund is possible.

These cancellation fees are also in addition to any fees imposed by airlines.

PLEASE NOTE: At times, our bank requires photocopy of credit card (both sides) and driver's license or document showing signature of cardholder, in order to process the charge. While it is not required at this time that you include these materials with your deposit, if our bank requests it, we will contact you for these copies.