

South Africa, a jewel destination, offers an **unique luxury experience** for travelers. This captivating country enchants adventure and nature enthusiasts, as well as those seeking vibrant urban scenes or the pleasures of kilometers of golden beaches.

Its unique natural treasures encompass rugged mountain ranges, arid deserts, wild marshes, endless savannas, pristine beaches, and pristine forests.

The culinary scene in South Africa is captivating, with trendy restaurants, fusion food, and excellent wines.

Thanks to a mild climate throughout the year and an extremely welcoming population, South Africa is a pleasant and easily explorable destination.

Luxury experiences include safaris in private reserves, exclusive lodges, and coastal resorts, providing unique and unforgettable journeys.

The best safari experiences in South Africa

South Africa offers a wide range of luxury safaris in different areas of the country, he landscapes may change, but the common factor is the exclusivity of the lodges and tented camps.

Here are some of the areas where you can find the best luxury safari experiences in South Africa:

- Greater Kruger
- Madikwe Game Reserve
- Private reserves in the Eastern Cape
- Private reserves in KwaZulu-Natal
- Pilanesberg National Park

Greater Kruger

The Greater Kruger, located in the northeastern inland of South Africa, is a paradise for nature and luxury safari lovers.

The Kruger National Park is a global safari icon, an endless land hosting a remarkable variety of wildlife. The Greater Kruger extends beyond the park's borders, including unfenced private reserves that allow animals to migrate freely, contributing to the creation



of a unique ecosystem.

The uniqueness of the Greater Kruger lies in private reserves, areas dedicated to conservation and luxury, where guests can immerse themselves in nature without compromising the well-being of the animals. These reserves offer a more exclusive and intimate experience compared to the busier areas of the national park.

Exclusive private reserves in the Greater Kruger include Sabi Sands, Timbavati, Manyeleti, Singita, Londolozi, Kapama, Thornybush, Leopard Hills, and others.

Luxury lodges in the Greater Kruger represent the top of elegance and comfort in the midst of the wild. Positioned strategically to offer breathtaking views, these accommodations provide a stylish retreat after a day of exploration.

The exclusive lodges, ranging from luxury tents to lavish suites, are designed to harmoniously blend with the surrounding environment, offering a wildlife living experience without compromising on comfort. Many lodges boast panoramic pools, gourmet restaurants, and tastefully furnished communal spaces, creating a luxurious atmosphere immersed in nature.

The Greater Kruger is a gem in the world of luxury safaris, a place where wild nature merges with elegance. Private reserves offer an unforgettable safari experience, with luxury lodges allowing travelers to fully immerse themselves in the essence of wild Africa. For those seeking unparalleled luxury and unique safaris, the Greater Kruger is the perfect destination.

Madikwe Game Reserve

Madikwe Game Reserve, located in the northwestern province of South Africa bordering Botswana, stands as **a hidden gem for nature and luxury safari enthusiasts**. This conservation sanctuary spans a vast area, offering a unique and wild environment for those seeking an unforgettable safari experience.

<u>Madikwe Game Reserve</u> is renowned for providing unique safaris that go beyond expectations.

Private Reserves in the Eastern Cape

South Africa's Eastern Cape is a region steeped in natural beauty and adventure, where



private reserves stand out as precious pearls in the extensive treasure of African wildlife. These natural sanctuaries offer an **unparalleled luxury experience**, embedding visitors in a world of extraordinary safaris and exclusive lodges.

Some private reserves in the Eastern Cape are located in the **Greater Addo Elephant Park**, a magical place that hosts not only the huge elephants but also a wealth of unique flora and fauna.

Other natural and luxurious gems of the Eastern Cape include the Pumba Private Game Reserve, Kwandwe Private Game Reserve, and Shamwari Private Game Reserve.

The private reserves of the Eastern Cape in South Africa shine as pearls of luxury and adventure. With impeccable lodges, unforgettable safaris, and a commitment to conservation, these sanctuaries offer an experience that goes beyond a simple journey, transforming each visit into a luxurious chapter in the story of African nature.

Private Reserves in KwaZulu-Natal

KwaZulu-Natal, the jewel of South Africa's east coast, harbors one of the most fascinating treasures on the African continent: its private reserves. These natural sanctuaries offer an unique luxury safari experience, immersing visitors in a world of wild adventures and exclusive comfort.

Private reserves in KwaZulu-Natal, such as Thanda Private Game Reserve, Phinda Private Game Reserve, and Leopard Mountain Game Lodge, provide an **exclusive and unforgettable safari experience**. Limited access and dedicated management ensure that every guest can enjoy an authentic immersion in African wildlife.

Pilanesberg National Park

Situated **in the heart of an ancient volcanic crater**, Pilanesberg National Park, in the heart of South Africa, stands as a natural jewel nestled among breathtaking landscapes and rich wildlife. But what truly makes this place extraordinary is the **harmonious fusion between the luxury of its lodges and the wild beauty of safaris**.

For those seeking the utmost in comfort and elegance, luxury lodges in Pilanesberg National Park offer an unparalleled experience. Surrounded by wild nature, these luxury retreats offer impeccable accommodations that seamlessly integrate with the surrounding environment.

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The focal point of an experience in Pilanesberg National Park is undoubtedly the safari. What makes these safaris unique are the expert guides who will lead guests through the magic of the wild. Passionate experts of the local ecosystem, these guides will share fascinating stories and provide insights into the unique flora and fauna of the park.



Sports activities in South Africa

South Africa is not only a land of epic landscapes and extraordinary wildlife but also **a paradise for lovers of luxury sports**. From golf to walking safaris, water adventures to open skies, South Africa offers a unique blend of excitement and luxury, inviting travelers to live unforgettable sports experiences in an exclusive comfort setting. Whether you are an enthusiast of extreme sports or a golf lover, South Africa promises an extraordinary journey that combines adventure with uncompromising luxury.

South Africa is renowned for being **one of the world's most prestigious golf destinations**. Spectacular golf courses, immersed in breathtaking landscapes, offer



challenging play and unparalleled luxury. Locations like Sun City, home to major tournaments, and golf courses along the Garden Route, overlooking the ocean, attract elite golfers from around the world.

For those desiring a more intimate connection with nature, **walking safaris offer an unparalleled experience**. Accompanied by expert guides, participants explore private reserves on foot, admiring wildlife and flora in all their beauty. Luxury lodges along the route ensure comfort and exclusive services.

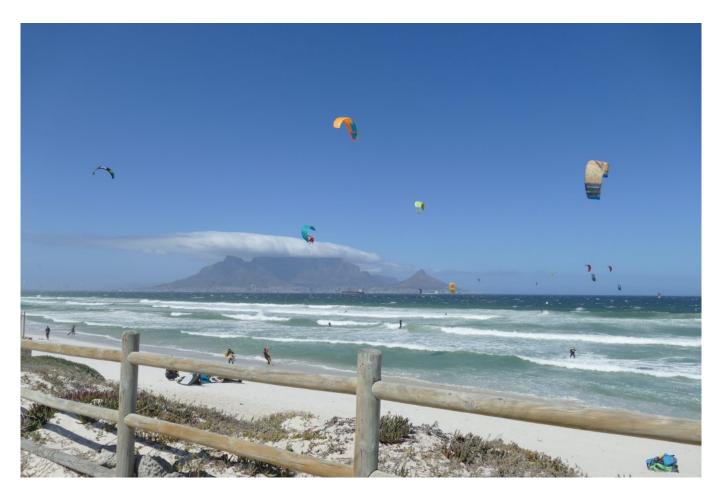
The South African coasts offer ideal conditions for **water sports enthusiasts**. From Sodwana Bay, one of the world's best scuba diving destinations, to picturesque spots along the Garden Route, South Africa welcomes windsurfers, paddle enthusiasts, kite surfers, and surfers seeking adventures in a luxurious setting.

For those seeking an adrenaline rush, **skydiving in South Africa is unique**. Imagine launching into the South African sky, admiring spectacular landscapes like the Drakensberg Mountains or the Indian Ocean coastline. World-class skydiving centers offer a mix of adventure and comfort.

For those who love to explore nature at their own rhythm, South Africa offers a **network of hiking trails and mountain biking routes**. From the spectacular hills of the Cederberg to panoramic hikes on Table Mountain in Cape Town, outdoor enthusiasts find a paradise of possibilities.

For adrenaline lovers, South Africa offers **unique extreme activities**. Bungee jumping from the Orlando Cooling Towers in Soweto, Johannesburg, is an unforgettable experience, while sandboarding down artificial hills created by mines adds an unexpected adventure, as does venturing onto the white sand dunes of Atlantis Dunes riding a quad bike.





Urban experiences in South Africa

South Africa, rich in cultural and scenic diversity, offers a **unique luxury experience in its vibrant cities**. From Johannesburg to Cape Town and Durban, these African metropolises present a fascinating blend of sophisticated luxury and the pulsating heart of culture.

Johannesburg: The City of Elegant Contrasts

Johannesburg is the city of contrasts, offering unparalleled elegance amid glittering skyscrapers and dynamic neighborhoods. **Luxury hotels in Sandton**, the financial district, welcome guests with first-class comfort and impeccable services.

The culinary experience in Johannesburg lives up to the expectations of the most discerning palates. High-end restaurants offer a gastronomic journey through refined and innovative flavors. The city is also a nightlife paradise with its rooftop venues and exclusive clubs.



Cape Town: Elegance by the Sea and Table Mountain

Cape Town, with its breathtaking beauty between mountains and the ocean, is a luxury paradise. Hotels at the renowned Waterfront or along the Cape Peninsula offer spectacular views of the ocean and the majestic Table Mountain.

The gastronomy in Cape Town is a **celebration of eclectic flavors**. Award-winning restaurants offer unforgettable culinary experiences. The Constantia Wine Valley nearby proposes tastings of refined wines in idyllic settings.

Luxury activities in Cape Town include **private helicopters** providing panoramic views of the city and flights over the surrounding vineyards. Sunset cruises in Table Bay offer a romantic and spectacular experience.

Durban: The African Riviera of Luxury

Durban, **the gem of the east coast**, is a luxury destination that blends beach charm with sophisticated elegance. Hotels along the Golden Mile offer coastal luxury with panoramic views of the Indian Ocean. Private suites, exclusive spas, and infinity pools define the luxury experience in Durban.

The cuisine in Durban reflects its cultural mix, with restaurants serving delicacies from **Indian, African, and European cuisines**.

Durban is also famous for its **luxury water activities**. From yacht charters to kite surfing, ocean lovers find a wide range of exclusive experiences.

In conclusion, South Africa proves to be **a true gem for travelers seeking luxury and unparalleled adventures**. Through breathtaking landscapes, from the majesty of mountain ranges to the charm of pristine beaches, this captivating country promises unique and unforgettable experiences. Its culinary scene, rich in innovation and delicacies, combines with a mild climate and the warm hospitality of its people, creating a pleasant and accessible environment for explorers. Luxury options, such as safaris in private reserves and stays in exclusive lodges, add the finishing touch to an extraordinary journey, allowing travelers to fully immerse themselves in the magnificence of this unparalleled destination.



Madagascar, the biggest island in Africa's continent, is an utterly unique island, it's one of the most beautiful and fascinating places on Earth, and much of its natural heritage continues to flourish in its parks.

Madagascar's nickname, the Eighth Continent, is due to the history of the island, cut off from the African mainland more than 100 million years ago, the flora and fauna of Madagascar have evolved independently from the rest of the planet, the result is that **80%** of its species are endemic and exist nowhere else on earth.

The island presents a hugely diverse terrain; the centre is characterized by highlands, the East coast is covered in rainforest, the West is open savannah and the Southern tip is semi-desert.

The island is home to approximately 200 mammal species, 103 of which are lemurs, over 300 species of birds, 260 species of reptiles, including chameleons, more than 250 species of amphibians, around 100 species of fishes, 14,900 plant species and many invertebrate species.

To admire this incredible biodiversity it is possible to choose between different national parks like **Andasibe-Mantadia National Park** that is home to a variety of birdlife and countless species of lemur, including the Indri Indri famous for its haunting calls or **Ankarafantsika National Park** home to eight lemur species and a night walk is an exciting highlight of the park cause allowing to spot rare nocturnal lemurs and other night creatures.

The Ankarana National Park contains one of the highest density of primates of any forest in the world and the only predator of Madagascar: the elusive fossa.

Ankarana is one of Madagascar's most rewarding hiking destinations and it is famous for the incredible rock formation called tsingy, the result of eroded limestone spires.

The Ranomafana National Park is one of the most visited places of the island and home to twelve lemur species including the endangered Golden bamboo lemur and the Greater bamboo lemur.





The Tsingy de Bemaraha National Park is a spectacular mineral forest made by tsingy, canyons, gorges, forests, lakes and mangrove swamps displaying an astonishing richness of fauna and flora.

The Tsingy area is the primary attraction but is possible to spot 11 lemur species and a large number of chameleons.

The Amber Mountain National Park offers a great biodiversity: a huge tropical forest with endemic fauna and flora, luxuriant vegetation and many waterfalls and volcanic lakes.

The park boasts 8 species of lemurs, predators like mongoose and fossa, and a large variety



of geckos and chameleons including the smallest chameleon of the world and the extravagant leaf-tailed geckos.

The Tsingy Rouge or **Red Tsingy Canyon** is one of the most unique and stunning sights in Madagascar, a real photographer's dream; the canyon is filled with a stone formation of red laterite created by erosion as this area was deforested.

There are nine species of baobab in the world, and Madagascar, one of the world's biodiversity hotspots, is home to six and the famous and scenic road named **Avenue des Baobabs**, the most famous place in the country, is a not-to-be-missed destination.



As well as it's beautiful national parks and the iconic lemurs, Madagascar has stretches of beautiful Indian Ocean coastline and exclusive island retreats for a total barefoot relax.

The **Nosy Be Archipelago** is situated off the North-West coast of Madagascar, it's tropical climate and superb location makes it <u>Madagascar's beach-resort destination per excellence</u>.

Nosy Be is blessed with gorgeous white beaches, corals reefs, tropical forests and stunning



sunsets; many water activities can be practiced as well as relaxing on the shore.

A handful of private islands, like **Nosy Ankao**, and luxury resorts, besides Nosy Be, make Madagascar a luxurious beach destination.



Ethiopia is big country in Africa with a rich cultural heritage and incredible diversity, it offers some of Africa's most epic landscapes and a kaleidoscope of cultures and populations.

Ethiopia is a diverse nation characterized by a North area home to famous rock churches, monasteries and Lalibela, the holiest city in Ethiopia, while the Southern part of the country is world famous for its incredible tribes of Omo Valley and their fascinating cultures.

Travelling to Ethiopia is an experience unlike any other, this endlessly fascinating country in not so luxurious like South Africa or <u>Botswana</u> but never disappointed who visit it.



There are nine UNESCO World Heritage Sites in Ethiopia, only one natural site is included in the list and the other eight are all cultural sites: Aksum, Tiya, Lalibela, Omo Valley, Simien National Park, Lower Valley of the Awash, Konso Cultural Landscapes, Gondar Region and the Fortified Historic Town of Hara Jugol.

Historical Route of Ethipia

The ancient city of Aksum is a World Heritage Site due to its cultural importance, the ruins witness as this ancient city was the heart of ancient Ethiopia. The ruins in the ancient city include royal tombs, ancient castle ruins, **monolithic obelisks**, **and giant stelae**.

Tiya is the most important of a large number of archaeological sites found Southern of Addis Abeba, <u>Tiya site</u> has a forest of 32 carved stelae marked with symbols, researchers and archaeologists believe that these monuments serve as a burial site.

Lalibela is one of the most breathtaking sites included in the World Heritage Sites by UNESCO in Ethiopia, <u>the city of Lalibela</u> was built to be the "New Jerusalem", it boasts of 11 monolithic cave churches that were built in the 13th century.

The holy city of Lalibela itself is considered important for the Orthodox Christian community in Ethiopia since it is a place of pilgrimage and devotion.



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Of the ancient historical and religious treasures of Ethiopia belongs also the island monasteries of Lake Tana and the rock monasteries of Tigray region.

Even if Ethiopia is not a big wildlife destination the country boasts some of the planet's highest levels of endemism like the Swayne's Hartebeest, Walia ibex, the Gelada Baboons and the elusive Ethiopian wolf and sundry birds.

Ethiopia is a mountainous country with epic landscapes and incredible natural phenomenons, two national parks in particular, **Simien National Park and Bale National Park**, offer breathtaking vistas and trekking opportunities.

Omo Valley in Ethiopia

The most incredible destination to visit in Ethiopia is undoubtedly the <u>lower Omo Valley</u>, it's a magic place with kaleidoscope of ethnic groups, culture, ancestral traditions and landscapes.

Every day spent at the **Omo Valley** is a journey into one of Africa's last unexplored frontiers, an exploration in a tribal world to meet the **Mursi** famous for the lip-plate, the **Kara** real body painting master, the **Hamer** and the Bull Jumping Cerimony, the **Dassanech** who lives along the Kenyan border and many other tribes.

Not to be missed the **Konso** people region with its stone-walled terraces and fortified settlements declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Last but not least the **Danakil Depression**, one of the lowest, hottest and driest places on earth with lunar landscapes, bubbling lava lakes, vast salt pans, cones and geysers: it is rightly considered one of the most inhospitable places on earth but extremely fascinating.





In the heart of the Indian Ocean lies the Seychelles, an archipelago of 115 islands that stands as a destination of unparalleled luxury. These precious gems, nestled in the warm waters of the Indian Ocean, offer beaches of white sand fringed with palms, crystal-clear turquoise waters, and an untouched environment.

This beautiful country has the smallest population of the entire African country but hosts two outstanding <u>UNESCO</u> World Heritage Sites: Aldabra, the world's largest raised coral atoll and home to the world's largest population of giant tortoises; and Praslin's Vallée de Mai, an ancient palm forest, once believed to be the original site of the Garden of Eden.

Luxury Travel to the Heart of the Ocean

Luxury travel to the Seychelles archipelago is a special and unforgettable experience. Diving and snorkeling reach levels of excellence, with sparkling fish banks and pristine iridescent coral gardens taking your breath away. The Seychelles are the realm of a wide



range of marine life, with around 900 fish species, turtles, white-tip sharks, and the majestic whale shark.

Enchanting Landscapes

These islands are characterized by coral atolls and islands covered in lush vegetation, dominated by rugged granite mountains. Dense forests and swaying coconut palms create natural sanctuaries for a variety of birds. Over eighty unique plants, including the rare and iconic giant Coco De Mer, make this place unique in the world.



Luxury Experiences on Fregate Island

Fregate Island, reachable in just 20 minutes by helicopter from Mahé, embodies absolute luxury. With surreal rock formations, lush forests, and some of the world's best beaches, it is a perfect retreat for those seeking excellence. The surrounding ocean offers endless opportunities for diving, snorkeling, and deep-sea fishing.



Luxury Lodges on Exclusive Islets

Over 70 tiny satellite islands of the Seychelles, many of them deserted, host stunning luxury lodges with exclusive services and some of the world's best spas. In these idyllic and exclusive retreats, guests can choose from a wide range of water sports or simply relax in front of the crystal-clear waters lapping the shore.

Mahe: The Starting Point of Luxury

Mahe, the largest island in the Seychelles, is the starting point for any luxury journey. Hosting a wide range of luxury lodges and tropical sanctuaries such as the Baie Ternay Marine Park and the Port Launay Marine Park, Mahe offers a combination of forests with rare endemic plants and pristine beaches.

Praslin: Natural Beauty and History

Praslin, the second-largest island, has historically been used as a refuge for pirates and Arab merchants. In addition to beautiful beaches, it boasts tropical forests, unique birds such as the endemic Seychelles bulbul and the black parrot of Praslin. The Vallée de Mai Nature Reserve, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is known for its unique coco de mer and vanilla orchids.

La Digue: The Hidden Treasure

La Digue, the fourth-largest inhabited island, is famous for its exceptionally beautiful beaches, secret coves, and water sports offerings. The Veuve Nature Reserve is home to the rare Black Paradise flycatcher. Sailing enthusiasts can explore the azure waters of the Seychelles and coral atolls for an excursion from one island to another across the Indian Ocean, an idyllic way to spend unforgettable weeks.

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Vibrant Mauritius, a volcanic island nation surrounded by the warm waters of the Indian Ocean, about 2,000 kilometers off the South-East coast of the African continent. It's a tropical paradise with breathtaking white sandy beaches, crystal-clear blue waters and wonderful luxury properties.

Mauritius is delightful all year round having a tropical climate, so it is always possible to enjoy a huge array of water sports, as well as incredibly luxurious accommodation.

The stunning Mauritius is a tropical island of colors and cultural contrasts. It is famed for its pristine white beaches and clear **Indian Ocean** waters home to world class diving sites. Mauritius has also a unique cultural mix that is reflected in colonial architectures of Dutch French and British settlers and Hindu temples covered in deities.

Mauritius is the only African nation where the main religion is Hinduism.

This spectacular tropical destination is home to around 700 plant species, rare birds such as

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the pink pigeon and kestrel and was the home of the now extinct dodo.



For cultural and natural enthusiasts, Mauritius offers an interesting inland where it is possible to explore verdant tropical rainforests, epic waterfalls, botanical gardens and lush mountains as well as fields shoulder-high with sugarcane and historic tea plantations.

A myriad of colorful marine species makes **scuba diving and snorkeling** one of the country's most renowned activities. Mauritius is a superb location for a large array of water sports like kitesurfing as well as parasailing, kayaking and windsurfing.

Mauritius is well known also for its **numerous golf courses**, for the stunning catamaran cruises, surrounded by dolphins and whales, deep sea fishing, and for a delicious cuisine.

Vibrant Mauritius, with gorgeous and idyllic white sandy beaches opening out onto crystalclear blue seas, is the perfect location for a huge offer of luxury lodges, boutique hotels and private villas to suit all tastes.

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Mauritius is only a few hours flight from South Africa, <u>Kenya</u> and <u>Tanzania</u> so it makes for the perfect safari and beach combination.



Uganda is a small, wonderful country in Africa, home to an extraordinary range of languages and cultures, it is also the source of the **White Nile** and an ideal birdwatching,



with over a thousand species of birds, and safari destination.

Known as the *Pearl of Africa*, Uganda is characterized by stunning greenery, deep lakes, volcanoes, stunning mountains, savannah, lush swamplands and half of the world's last remaining mountain gorilla population.

Uganda, and its neighbour <u>Rwanda</u>, share the crucial responsibility of conserving a population of critically endangered mountain gorillas and chimpanzees in their impenetrable forests.

Famous for its gorilla trekking safaris, and for the lush tropical rainforests, the **Bwindi Impenetrable Forest** is a Unesco World Heritage site with awe-inspiring biodiversity that lies in the South-West of Uganda, today roughly half of the world's total gorilla population lives in this park.

Established in 1991 as sanctuary to the endangered mountain gorilla, Bwindi protects at least nine other species of primate and several species of animals, birds and fishes in its ancient pristine rainforest on the steep ridges of the **Virunga Volcanoes**.

In Uganda there is the highest concentration of primates on earth and the Kibale National Park is Africa's most important primate sanctuary.

The Kibale National Park is situated in Western Uganda, South of the **Rwenzori Mountains**, it is home to 13 species of primates and is well-known cause its large population of chimpanzees is healthy and numbering around 1,500 individuals.





The iconic **Queen Elizabeth National Park** is home to almost a hundred animal species as well as more than 600 types of birds, including the rare Shoebill Stork, and it is famous for its primate species, its unusual tree-climbing lions, and the large concentration of hippos; the **Kazinga Channel** is said to contain the world's largest population of hippos.

Rwenzori Mountains, a UNESCO World Heritage Site better known as the **Mountains of the Moon** or Land of Mists, are surrounded by rain forests and contain diversity of flora that maintain a diverse, rich ecosystem and support five distinct vegetation zones, and as a result animals and birds flourish.

The Murchinson Falls National Park is situated in the Northern end of the Albertine Rift Valley, it was named after its dramatic Murchison Falls, and today is the country's largest protected wildlife sanctuary.

The largest of the country's national parks, offers wonderful natural landscapes, the mighty **Nile River** bisects flourishing savannas, flanked by lush riverine woodlands, before bursting



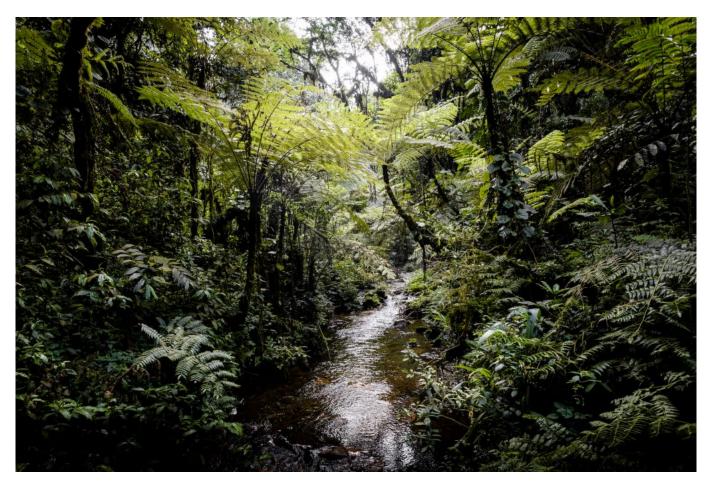
through a chasm in the Rift Valley escarpment to form the raging Murchison Falls.

The Murchison Falls National Park is a birdwatchers' paradise, with 451 species recorded including the rare Shoebill Stork.

The Kidepo Valley National Park is a rugged and wild area, it ranks as one of Africa's less explored destinations, it is characterized by a diverse habitat, from pristine savannah landscape, broken by the Kidepo and Narus Rivers, to the dusty semi desertic areas.

The <u>Kidepo Valley National Park</u> hosts a large range of fauna and flora, over 77 mammals and around 475 bird species find shelter here.

Kidepo is a birdwatchers' paradise specifically for those interested in Africa's birds of prey, in fact no less than fifty-six species of raptors are found in the park.



Malawi is a stunning country, known as the *Warm Heart of Africa*, is home to the most



friendly and welcoming people, everywhere you go smiling faces greet you with a warm welcome, as well as wonderful hospitality.

In recent years, Malawi has become a serious holiday and <u>safari destination</u> thanks to extraordinary conservation success and the crystal waters of Lake Malawi, the sustainable tourism and conservation practice, with the reintroduction of Big Five wildlife across its national parks, make Malawi a successful story.

Malawi is a small country wedged between <u>Tanzania</u>, <u>Mozambique</u> and <u>Zambia</u>, it is dominated by the vast Lake Malawi that covers approximately a fifth of the country and is characterized by a stunningly varied terrain, a number of well-run national parks, and, of course, its extraordinary lake; Malawi is something of a very well-kept secret.

The stunning Lake Malawi

Lake Malawi, known as the Lake of Stars, is an inland freshwater sea, it is home to the world's greatest number of lake-dwelling fish species with over 1,000 different exotic, cichlid fishes and was one of the first large areas of freshwater to receive the national park status; it's characterized by crystal-clear waters, pristine sandy beaches and fascinating rock formations.

Lake Malawi is the third largest lake in Africa, in some point up to seven hundred meters deep, it is a watersport paradise with windsurfing, sailing, boat trips, kayaking, stand up paddle boarding, scuba diving and snorkeling.

A number of beautiful islands dot the Lake and picturesque villages animate the shoreline, **Likoma Island** is the larger of two inhabited islands on Lake Malawi, it has pristine sandy beaches and it offers some of the best diving and snorkeling experiences in Malawi.





Tasting tea at one of the plantations in a truly experience in Malawi, in the **Mulanje** area the landscape is stunning with pretty tea fields, cascading waterfalls, lush farmland and thick forests.

Malawi is an off-beat-tracks destination and, beyond the lake, it offers an excellent opportunity to <u>enjoy a wildlife safari</u>, in the South of Lake Malawi there are two beautiful protected areas: the Majete Reserve and the Liwonde National Park.

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The Majete Wildlife Reserve is a tale of a park rising from the ashes of a flourishing heaven for Africa's most iconic wildlife after a huge effort to revive the park through a series of species reintroductions.

The restocking of the park, with more than 2,500 animals reintroduced including black rhinos, elephants, lions, leopards, sable antelopes, impalas and buffalos, has led to Majete becoming a 'Big Five' reserve, and Malawi's premier wildlife destination.

The Majete Wildlife Reserve offers beautiful scenery of riverine forest and miombo woodlands.



The Liwonde National Park lies on the banks of the Upper Shire River, South of Lake Malawi, it boasts the largest population of elephants as well as an impressive concentration of crocodiles and hippos.

Bird-watching safari is upstanding thanks to Malawi's 650 indigenous and visiting species that it is possible to spot; boat safaris are equally exciting.

The Nkotakhota Wildlife Reserve is another wildlife heaven famous for the greatest elephant translocation in human history, with the relocation of 500 elephants and 1,000 other animals in 2017.

The Nyika National Park is the oldest and largest park in Malawi, it includes much of the Northern region's Nyika plateau, the vistas in the park are immense with endless rolling hills, valleys filled with evergreen forests, high-altitude grassland is the most obvious feature of the stunning **Nyika Plateau**.

The Nyika National Park is a botanist's delight in summer with alpine flowers especially during the rainy season when the orchids flower.

The park is home to a large variety of animals and houses the largest concentration of leopards in the country; above all approximately 400 bird species occur in Nyika making it a key birding destination in Africa.





Zimbabwe, an authentic and captivating jewel of Africa, emerges as a destination for luxury travel, offering a unique experience in an environment infused with human warmth and extraordinary natural richness. From superb photographic safaris to the Victoria Falls, one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World, every moment is a hymn to beauty.

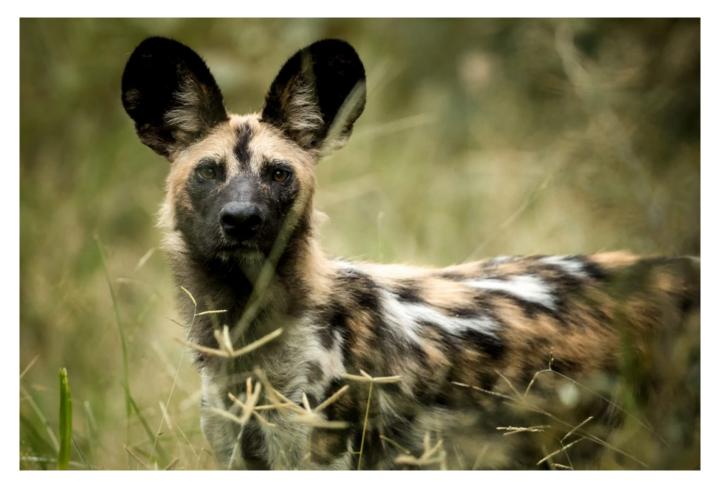
Hwange National Park: The Realm of Elephants

Located on the border with <u>Botswana</u>, Hwange National Park is the stronghold of elephants. Originally the royal hunting reserve of the Ndebele warrior Mzilikazi, the park now offers thrilling safaris with an extraordinary density of wildlife. Herds of elephants and buffaloes, gemsbok, and brown hyena populate this region of extraordinary beauty, creating an untouched experience in the heart of Africa.



Mana Pools National Park: Photographic Safari in the Heart of the Zambezi

Recognized by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site, Mana Pools National Park is one of Zimbabwe's remote gems. With landscapes blending grassy alluvial plains, woodlands, wide rivers, and riverine forests, this park provides an ideal setting for unforgettable photographic safaris. The famous natural pools, remnants of ancient lakes carved by the Zambezi River, attract wildlife throughout the year, ensuring a matchless spectacle during the dry season.



Matobo Hills National Park: Rock Art and Imposing Nature

Matobo Hills National Park not only hosts the tomb of the colonialist Cecil Rhodes but also



an extraordinary density of Verreaux's eagles or Black Eagles. With over 3000 examples of Khoi rock art and ancient settlements, this park is a fusion of history and nature, making it a unique attraction.

Southern Zimbabwe: Hidden Treasures and Big 5 Sightings

Gonarezhou National Park and Malilangwe Nature Reserve, located in southern Zimbabwe, are hidden treasures. With breathtaking landscapes, red cliffs, and towering baobab trees, these places offer incredible sightings of the Big 5, making every wildlife encounter a remarkable moment.

Bordering Lake Kariba, Matusadona National Park features a mix of grassy alluvial plains and rugged hills. Here, herds of elephants and buffaloes, lions, <u>leopards</u>, spotted hyenas, cheetahs, and wild dogs create a unique harmony in the wilderness.

"No one can imagine the beauty of the view from any thing witnessed in England. It had never been seen before by European eyes; but scenes so lovely must have been gazed upon by angels in their flight."

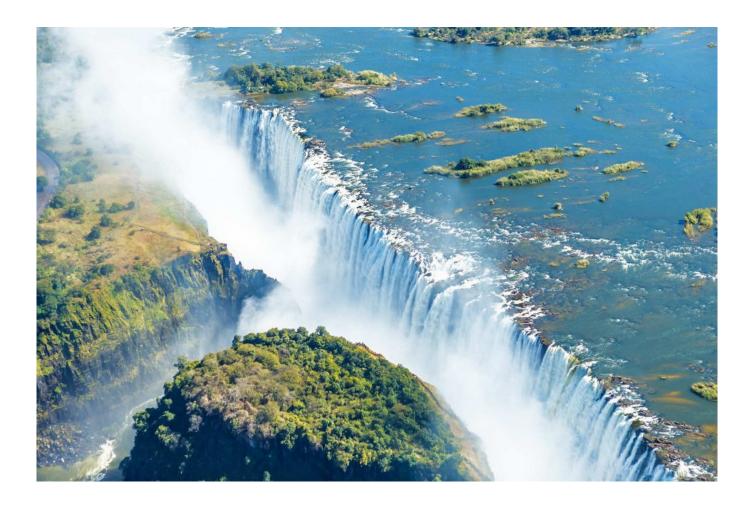
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Victoria Falls: The Enchanting Spectacle

Zimbabwe is renowned for the magnificent Victoria Falls, with its roar audible for kilometers and the spray visible from afar. This natural spectacle is a must-visit for those seeking luxury and adventure in harmony.

In conclusion, Zimbabwe, with its natural diversity and rich history, stands as a luxury travel destination, offering a perfect blend of exclusive comfort and unforgettable wildlife adventures. Explore African excellence in a setting where wild beauty merges with timeless luxury.





Tanzania is an astounding African country of natural splendor, astounding wildlife, seductive beaches, charming ancient towns, archaeological sites and geological wonders.

Few destinations in Africa can rival Tanzania's diversity of wildlife and landscapes, 25% of Tanzania is protected by national parks that are estimated to support about 20% of Africa's mammal population, a safari in Tanzania is a must for every traveler.

The ideal bush and beach destination, visitors can witness the mighty herds of the **Great Migration** thundering across the **Serengeti National Park** plains and end their unforgettable safari with a serene beach holiday on **Zanzibar**, the intoxicatingly beautiful and exotic Spice Island.



To better understand how to travel in Tanzania we have to consider five different zone:

- 1. Northern Circuit: Serengeti National Park, Tarangire National Park, Ngorongoro Conservation Area and Lake Manyara National Park
- 2. **Southern Circuit:** Ruaha National Park, Mikumi National Park and Nyerere National Park, carved out of Selous Game Reserve
- 3. Western Park and Primates tracking: Katavi National Park, Mahale National Park, Gombe National Park and Rubondo Island National Park
- 4. Islands: Zanzibar, Pemba and Mafia
- 5. Kilimanjaro: five trekking route to reach the top

Northern Circuit

The **Serengeti National Park** offers the ultimate African safari experience, this vast iconic conservation area is home to the Great Migration and a large range of animal species.

<u>The Great Migration</u> is considered the most thrilling spectacle in the animal kingdom, the annual mass migration of wildebeests and other herbivores, with their ever-attendant entourage of predators is a breathtaking experience, the perfect choice for a safari.

In this year-round cycle across the Serengeti-Mara ecosystem, over 1.5 million wildebeests, 400.000 zebrsa, 300.000 Grant's and Thomson's gazelles and 12 000 elands throng the landscape, following the rain, in search of fresh pastures.





Tanzania, Serengeti National Park.

The **Tarangire National Park** known as the "the park of the giants" because of the large herds of elephants and forests of enigmatic giant baobab trees.

Tarangire's landscape is incredibly diverse and stands out from any other park on the traditional Northern safari circuit.

The Ngorongoro Conservation Area, South of the Serengeti National Park, jealously guards enormous calderas and one of the richest wildlife viewing experience on the African continent.

The **Ngorongoro Crater** is a sparkling jewel, it's a UNESCO World Heritage Site characterized by the world's largest intact volcanic caldera constituting a natural enclosure for a thousands of animals, the ultimate Big5 destination.



The **Lake Manyara National Park**, that lies between the Tarangire National Park and the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, offers plenty of opportunities to see much diverse wildlife, including the famous tree-climbing lions, and an outstanding birdwatching.

The **Katavi National Park**, off the beaten track, is isolated and undiscovered, it is one of the most untouched areas of the entire country.

The park offers unspoiled wildlife viewing in the country's fourth-largest national park.

Southern Circuit

In the South Ruaha National Park, Mikumi National Park and Nyerere National Park represent relatively unknown destinations.

The new **Nyerere National Park**, the largest national park in Africa, could easily be described as the "Serengeti of Southern Tanzania", presents a diverse range of wildlife giving the wildlife enthusiast an unprecedented up close and personal view of wildlife in action.

The open horizons and abundant wildlife of the Mkata Floodplain, the center piece of the **Mikumi National Park** is perhaps the most reliable place in Tanzania for sightings of the powerful eland, the world's largest antelope.

The **Ruaha National Park** is a pristine location, the park, the second largest national park in Tanzania, is famous for its huge herds of elephants, and it is also a birdwatchers' paradise with over 530 species.

The Ruaha National Park is home to abundant game, around 10% of the world's lions and offers exceptional walking safaris surrounded by beautiful, unique scenery.

In Tanzania it is possible to enjoy the Chimpanzee tracking, the **Gombe National Park** and the **Mahale Mountains National Park** both offer exciting activities.

Africa's highest mountain, **Mount Kilimanjaro**, rises from lush, grassy plains and towers over the land. Its snow-capped peak is a sight to behold. Climbing Kilimanjaro is surprisingly easy and standing on the roof of Africa is a life-changing experience.





Kenya, on the East coast of Africa, is acclaimed as one of Africa's premier safari destination; it's a country brimming with romance, thrill and adventure.

Kenya is home to as many diverse ecosystems: from the exotic coasts caressed by the warm Indian Ocean to the summit of Mount Kenya, from equatorial forest to cool highlands, from endless savannah plain to scratched deserts.

The **Great Rift Valley**, that crosses the country from North to South is Kenya's most spectacular geological features, it is home to several crystalline fresh and salt water lakes like Lake Turkana, Naivasha, Baringo and Lake Bogoria where pink flamingo colonies come to reproduce.

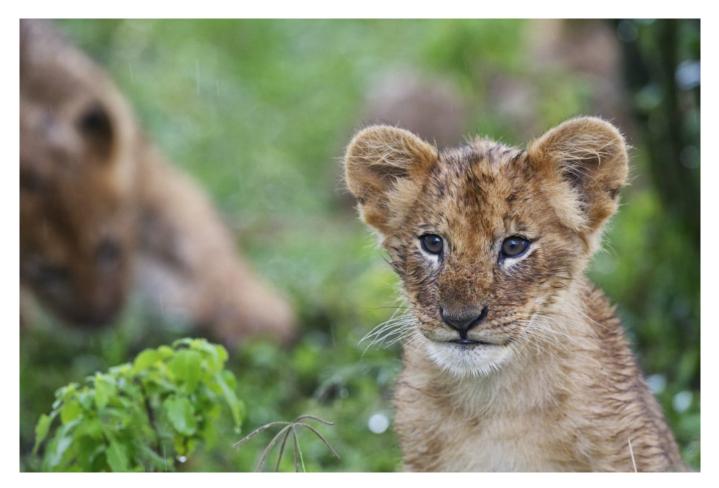
The scenic coastline, where sandy pristine beaches are located, gives the atmosphere of a paradise island and is sprinkled with colorful coral reef.

Kenya offers a wide choice of national parks and reserves where it's possible to enjoy a <u>stunning game drive</u> or an exciting birdwatching.



The legendary **Masai Mara National Reserve**, part of the greater Serengeti ecosystem, is a land of breathtaking vistas, abundant wildlife and endless plains, annually the reserve plays host to the fascinating phenomenon of the <u>Great Migration</u>, the largest single movement of herd animals on the planet.

The Great Migration is one of the most exciting and amazing events in the world: two million wildebeests and zebras run along an 800 km circular route across the plains of the Serengeti National Park and Masai Mara National Reserve.



The **Laikipia** plateau, in the central highlands at the foot of the Mount Kenya National Park, is another rewarding location for safari, with good populations of rhino as well as rarer species like the Grevy's zebra and the reticulated giraffe.

The **Amboseli National Park**, where on clear days you can enjoy glorious views of the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro in neighboring Tanzania in the distance, is home to some last big tuskers and is characterized by dramatic landscapes.



The **Tsavo National Park** together with the **Samburu National Reserve** and the **Meru National Park** offer, with their different scenarios, unforgettable panoramas where it is possible to observe African fauna up close.

The Tsavo is an enormous wilderness area, situated in South West Kenya, that has been divided into Tsavo East National Park and Tsavo West National Park, combined, it's one of the world's largest game sanctuaries and home to large herds of "red elephants" and a large number of predators.

The **Aberdare National Park** is a high altitude national park created to protect the slopes and moorland of the Aberdare Mountains and it is home to a large population of black rhinos.

At the Aberdare National Park it is located the Treetops Lodge, it is famous as the place where Queen Elizabeth II visited as a princess and left as queen.

A must do activity in Kenya is to meet and interact with the Maasai and Samburu warriors and the Turkana tribe members and learn about their ancestral traditions, rituals and skills.

