

# THE GRAND TOUR ITINERARY

# Day 1: Arrival

You will arrive in Cape Town and take delivery of rental bikes. Spend the rest of the day taking in a couple of sights in and around cape town, we will have a group evening meal with a chance to get to know your fellow adventurers and guide any doubts concerns or questions now's the time.

□ Accommodation: Hotel□ Meal plan: breakfast

### Day 2: Namaqualand

You will leave Cape Town and head for Namibia. Tonight will be spent on the West Coast of South Africa in Namaqualand. This area is well-known for its carpets of wildflowers in the spring, the landscape will start to change dramatically, the closer we get to Namibia the more moon like it becomes, make sure your camera is charged and ready.

☐ Accommodation: Guesthouse

☐ Meal plan: breakfast

# Day 3: Fish River Canyon

Today's ride takes you to the world's second largest canyon, the Fish River Canyon. Take in this spectacle at the view sites and marvel at this unique landscape. Try to remember the last time you felt miles from home, (double that feeling!)

☐ Accommodation: Lodge

☐ Meal plan: breakfast

### Day 4: Seeheim

Another early start but the ride is truly scenic. Today, you will head further north to Seeheim this is a settlement in the <code>|Karas</code> Region of southern Namibia. The only notable structures in Seeheim today are the hotel and the railway station but the remoteness and sheer vastness reminds you there is nowhere like namibia; only a handful of people live there. As you travel, the landscape changes continually. You have to keep reminding yourself that you are still in the same country.

☐ Accommodation: hotel

☐ Meal plan: breakfast



**Day 5: Windhoek** If Namibia is Africa for beginners, then Windhoek is very much its capital in more than name only. It's the sort of place that divides travellers, with those who love it for the respite it offers from the rigours of life on the African road facing off against those who find it a little too 'Western' for their African tastes. And they're both right but the city is only our gate way to the Caprivi Strip and Zambia. □ Accommodation: hotel

☐ Meal plan: breakfast

# Day 6: Otjiwarongo

Today is a short ride from Windhoek to our next lodge, time to unload the luggage and for those that wish visit the Namibian cheetah conservation fund a chance to get up close to the fastest land animal and Africa's most endangered big cat. You will learn about the cheetahs' habits and our guide will explain the work being done to keep Namibia the country with the highest number of wild cheetah.

☐ Accommodation: hotel☐ Meal plan: breakfast

### Day 7: Rundu

From Rundu we will continue on our journey, travelling along the narrow Caprivi Strip You might have noticed the Caprivi Strip on a globe or atlas it's that 280-mile-long panhandle of Namibia stretching improbably eastward toward Zimbabwe. Of all the weird African borders caused by the colonial carve-up of the 19th century, Caprivi is one of the nuttiest and one of the most glamorously named, since it's also been called "Itenge" or "the Okavango Panhandle," adventurous sounding names straight from a pulp novel or Indiana Jones movie. But the Caprivi Strip's odd past and turbulent present are an accident. It only exists because someone forgot about the largest waterfall in the world!!! Our next lodge situated near a town called Rundu. The lodge has a spectacular view over the Okavango River and floodplains of southern Angola.

☐ Accommodation: lodge

☐ Meal plan: breakfast



#### **Day 8: Katima Mulilo**

Today, we will head for Zambia, travelling through the Caprivi Game Park where you could be sharing the road with a variety of animals don't be surprised to see elephant or giraffe crossing your path. Tonight is spent in the Namibian town of Katima Mulilo, on the banks of the mighty Zambezi River.

□ Accommodation: hotel□ Meal plan: breakfast

### Day 9/10/11: Victoria falls

The next 3 days will be spent at our lodge on the banks of the marimba river where you can enjoy meals and drinks just feet away from elephants, hippos and crocs some of our guests have stumbled across hippos enjoying the grass on the lawns of the camp, time to relax and enjoy some you time, tonight will be spent on a **Zambezi river cruise** (watch the African sunset over the mighty **Zambezi while enjoying** complementary drinks and listening to African drums) be sure to fetch your camera for amazing pictures of hippos elephants and countless African birds framed by the African sunset. The next day is spent crossing into **Zimbabwe** to view one of the natural wonders of the world **Victoria falls**, the choice is yours, ride across the Victoria falls bridge and complete the furthest point on our trip by motorbike or for those that want an easier time use our back up truck. The 3 rd day is a rest day but for those that haven't had enough adventure your guide can arrange a bungee jump from the vic falls bridge or an early morning micro light flight over the falls or even a cultural village tour get a real glimpse into Africa as Livingstone saw it.

□ Accommodation: Lodge□ Meal plan: breakfast

### Day 12/13: Botswana

Today, we make our way into Botswana via the largest ferry in Africa (just room for one truck and our bikes) we cross the mighty Zambezi and head for a campsite the distance is short but the achievement is rewarding (difficult to get to but so worth it) with the claim to the best bar in the world you will not believe the sight of hundreds of elephants cape buffalo and sometimes lions only feet away from the drinks terrace that overlooks the watering hole every evening, this amazing place demands 2 nights and for anyone wishing to, a trip into the world famous chobe national park is an option. 

Accommodation: bush chalet overlooking watering hole

☐ Meal plan: breakfast



<b>Day 14: Seurle</b> today we reach our hotel on the way to the South African border crossing, tonight is all about getting rest for the next 2 days involve major miles. ☐ Accommodation: hotel
☐ Meal plan: breakfast
<b>Day 15:16 Northern Cape</b> today we reach the capital city of South Africa's Northern Cape Province. It's known for its 19th-century diamond mines, like the deep, hand-dug Big Hole. Nearby, the Kimberley Mine Museum is a re-creation of the town in its heyday, and displays jewellery and uncut diamonds □ Accommodation: hotel
□ Meal plan: breakfast
Day 17/18: Paterson After a hearty breakfast, we have a long ride through the north cape to reach Paterson and our home for the next 2 nights, here we will be staying on a private reserve and will do an afternoon game drive before meeting in the bush at a Lapa for a traditional African 3 course meal and drinks, we then do a night drive while heading to our accommodation, the next morning up early for another game drive to check out any lion kills then on to breakfast. The adventure continues with our private boat and a day spent looking for marine life and the giant right whales that come every year to mate in the waters around Port Elizabeth. We are then transported back to the reserve and our accommodation. Our <b>tented camps</b> offer complete freedom as every encampment is safely nestled in private clusters of bush, leaving our guests surrounded by luscious greenery, trees, singing birds, antelope and the roaring of the lions giving it's natural uninterrupted feel.  □ Accommodation: Lodge (tented camp caries a supplement)
☐ Meal plan: evening meal including wine and beer, breakfast
Day 19: Mossel bay  Today we ride the spectacular garden route to Mossel bay with a chance to see dolphins and whales in the bay, take pictures relax and reflect on the last two weeks of adrenaline filled fun  ☐ Accommodation: hotel
☐ Meal plan: breakfast



### Day 20: Cape Town

Tonight, you will arrive back at your start with time to visit the African penguin colony along the way (yes Africa has penguins who knew) tell your tales share your pictures and share a drink with your new friends.

☐ Accommodation: Lodge

☐ Meal plan: breakfast and farewell dinner

### Day 21: Departure

The bikes are returned and your flights depart from Cape Town International Airport (CPT).

#### Things to do optional (extra costs apply)

- A micro light or helicopter flight over vic falls
- A bungee jump from the world famous Falls bridge
- A visit to cultural village
- Living desert tour
- Off-shore fishing
- Boat safari in Chobe national park
- A Robben Island visit
- Paragliding dual flight from signal hill a different view of table mountain guaranteed
- Shopping in cape town
- Stay extra nights and do a cape town city tour or relax around the pool
- Cable car to top of table mountain
- Tiger fishing 4hr

Any extra activities must be booked at least 2 weeks before departure

**Is this adventure for me?** Answer the following questions honestly Can I ride long distances on my bike? Do I have a spirit of adventure? Can I dig deep if the going gets tough? Am I adaptable to a situation? Am I proficient at riding a motorcycle even when conditions are not perfect?

If you answered yes to at least 3 things congratulations you may just have what it takes to **change your view of motorcycle touring forever.** 

#### What's included

• Starts in cape town and ends in Cape Town, South Africa



- Marvel at the unique landscape of Fish River Canyon and Victoria Falls
- Riding the Cape Peninsula and scenic roads around Cape Town
- Enjoy 5 game drives and 2 evening meals incl drinks on a private reserve
- A private boat safari including snacks and lunch
- Zambezi River boat cruise
- Motorcycle tour guide
- Motorcycle rental of BMW 1200GS LC
- Backup vehicle
- 21 nights' accommodation
- Daily breakfast
- Ride to Victoria Falls National Park Zimbabwe
- Transfers to and from Cape Town International Airport (CPT) where applicable
- Entrance fees into national parks
- Ride the famous garden route
- Group bbq in Botswana
- Brai pack for safari camp
- African adventures tour tee shirt

#### Not included

- Activities not specified
- Airfare
- Fuel
- Border fees
- Tollgate fees
- Meals not specified
- Drinks
- Travel and personal insurance (compulsory)
- Security deposit on bike hire (refundable)

#### COSTS

Rider sharing rooms £6500.00 Pillion sharing room £2600.00 Single room supplement £750.00