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SOUTHERN AFRICA ADVENTURE SWAZILAND, MOZAMBIQUE, SOUTH AFRICA, BOTSWANA AND ZAMBIA!

Quest's reputation is second to none, so who better to show you the best that Southern Africa has to offer? Unforgettable wildlife, from rhinos in Swaziland and elephants in the Chobe National Park to the whale sharks of the Indian Ocean. Experience the incredible sights of Victoria Falls, breathtaking African sunsets and the Okavango Delta from the air; so sit back and let our experienced guides take you on a tour you will never forget!

Lucy King, Founder of Quest Africa

- ❖ Explore the culture of Swaziland, the last true kingdom on the planet and visit Quest's first African project
- ❖ Earn your PADI open water qualification in the crystal clear waters of Mozambique. Scuba dive with manta rays, swim with whale sharks and relax on its pristine beaches
- ❖ Take in the sights and sounds of Africa's largest inland delta as you drift along in your dugout canoe
- ❖ Safari through some of Africa's most incredible game parks
- ❖ Finish the trip with a helicopter flight over 'the smoke that thunders', Victoria Falls.

Dates: **Friday 11th November – Sunday 4th December 2011** – Three weeks

Cost: **£4,350** – Includes all costs on the ground (except evening drinks, souvenirs and a few lunches), travel insurance and a £250 donation to our charity Quest4Change. International flights are separate.

Find out more or make a booking. Contact us on 01273 777206 or email info@experiencequest.com

Your Quest

It's time to put on your safari shoes and snorkel and bring out the David Attenborough in you. Experience some of Southern Africa's hidden gems and its most stunning wildlife. Add in a slice of real luxury and the odd gin and tonic (for medicinal purposes of course!). You've seen it on Big Cat Diary and Planet Earth, now see it for real!

Further Information

Food and drink Included in the cost of the trip are meals in some fantastic restaurants, sampling some of the best food Africa has to offer. While we will cover drinks during meals, we may ask you to chip in if it turns out to be a particularly thirsty night... Also, there will be a couple of occasions while in towns when the group will be free to explore and as such we will leave lunches to your own discretion. This will be only 2 or 3 occasions though.

Accommodation We have carefully picked some real characterful hotels whenever we are in towns and cities, with all the comforts you would normally expect, but not in the cold style of a high rise hotel block. While in the wilderness, we have made sure that you will be staying in some pretty special lodges or tented camps.

Weather November is springtime in Africa. The days will be hot and the nights a little cooler with a chance of some rain. We will visit both dry savannas and wet jungles so you will need to be prepared for a range of climates.

Leaders The opportunity to lead these shorter expeditions is a real privilege for our leaders, so as a result you will be accompanied by only our best and most experienced staff. We have always said that it's our leaders which bring the trip to life for you – and you will not be disappointed here!

Preparation Once you have booked onto the trip, we will be with you every step of the way in the build up for departure, helping to sort flights, insurance, providing recommendations on kit, anything you should need.

Traveling alone Not a problem. Our price is based on two people sharing, and if you are joining this trip on your own, you will be sharing a room or a tent with someone of the same sex. If you would prefer to have your own room and tent, you can pay our single supplement of £200.

What to do next If you'd like to find out more just give us a call and we can fill you in with more information. To book a place on this trip, get in touch and we will send you a booking form together with a copy of our Terms and Conditions. Any questions just call us on 01273 777206.

Giving back

Since 2001 Quest has been helping to bring together three different neighbouring private wildlife reserves, with the aim to open the boundaries and allow the animals to migrate freely between the reserves. More recently, we have been working with the neighbouring community of Shewula, helping to ensure they are benefitting from the tourism which the reserves attract. Working in the local school, improving the eco lodge and working alongside women's craft groups will help to enhance their lives and leave a lasting mark on yours.



Adventure Itinerary

Days 1-3: Swaziland, Mlilwane Wildlife Reserve

Just a short drive from the airport to your first destination Reilly's Rock. Meet a member of the Reilly family at their exclusive colonial home. Learn how the family has done more than anyone to protect and reintroduce the wildlife of Swaziland. You can then relax and enjoy the peaceful surroundings of Mlilwane Wildlife Reserve. Here you will have the opportunity to explore the reserve by foot or on horseback. Spot zebra and kudu before enjoying a sunset drive through the park and dinner overlooking the hippos.

Days 4-6: Ezulwini Valley and Mkhaya Rhino Sanctuary

We pack up and travel into the stunning mountains of Malolotja that stretch all the way to the South African border and visit the Phophonyane Lodge nestled in a beautiful private nature reserve with the chance to swim in some stunning waterfalls. On the way to Shewula we will stop off to see the only rhinos in the country at Mkhaya Game Reserve.

Days 7-8: Shewula village and Quest's project site

A chance to experience the real Swaziland, we will visit Shewula Mountain Camp where we will be taken on guided walks of the nearby village. Become immersed in Swazi culture with local dancing and a delicious braai cooked on an open wood fire. The project in Shewula is forever growing, and whether we are expanding the school, building an organic farm or running activities for the children, your time will be well spent there!

Days 9-14: Scuba diving in Tofo, Mozambique

Across the border into Mozambique and we make our way to the pristine beaches of Tofo. The local dive centre caters for any level of scuba diver from complete beginner to dive master. The seas are rich with fish from large shoals of jacks, 150kilo potato groupers, 6m wide mantas and the largest fish in the sea, the whale shark! Don't worry if scuba diving is not your thing, the beaches are near empty and there are plenty of opportunities to snorkel or take a sunset dhow boat trip.

Days 15-17: Okavango Delta, Botswana

Another flight will take us deep into the Okavango Delta to an exclusive lodge. Here you will have the opportunity to soak up the sights and sounds that this amazing reserve has to offer. Take a guided mokoro (dugout canoe) safari through the shallow waterways and spot an abundance of wildlife. Finish with a spectacular flight over the delta to take in views of herds of elephant and giraffe from the air.

Days 18: Chobe National Park and evening river cruise

Lying directly on the Chobe River a stone's throw from the Caprivi Strip, you will see everything from elephant to buffalo and maybe even the rare sight of lion or leopard. Take a gentle sunset cruise along the river and see families of elephant come down to drink and hippos awake from their daytime slumber.

Days 19-21: Victoria Falls, Zambia

What better way to finish your adventure than the incredible Victoria Falls. Stay at a first class hotel on the banks of the Zambezi River and enjoy afternoon tea at the top of the falls. Finally see them from the air with a scenic helicopter flight and a final party at a top Zambian restaurant before flying home.

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