## THE FALLS EXPERIENCE Zimbabwe



# 4 day deluxe travel package (Ilala Lodge)

If you want more time to experience the exceptional excursions that the Falls region has to offer, this four day package is for you. Airport transfers, breakfast daily, a guided tour of the Falls, a sunset dinner cruise on the Zambezi River and a barbeque buffet with cultural show are included. Enjoy the colonial charm of the mid-sized Ilala Lodge and its close proximity to Victoria Falls National Park and town centre.





#### **Price includes:**

- meet and greet transfer at Victoria Falls airport, and transfer to accommodation
- departure transfer from accommodation to Victoria Falls airport
- 3 nights accommodation at Ilala Lodge with breakfast daily
- 3-course sunset dinner cruise and standard drinks on the Zambezi River
- guided tour of Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe)
- dinner and entertainment at The Boma restaurant
- national park fee and river usage fee in Victoria Falls.

## Price excludes:

- visas and flights
- meals and drinks not listed
- medical and travel insurance
- dining room tips and porterage
- telephone calls and laundry
- purchases of a personal nature.
- B breakfast
- L lunch
- D dinner

## Victoria Falls to Victoria Falls

Accommodation: deluxe Product code: FE3NT3

**Departs:** daily

## **Itinerary overview:**

Day 1: Zimbabwe, Victoria Falls - Ilala Lodge

Day 2: Zimbabwe, Victoria Falls - Ilala Lodge

Day 3: Zimbabwe, Victoria Falls - Ilala Lodge

Day 4: Victoria Falls - ends

## Add a Chobe National Park safari

Located around two hours from Victoria Falls is Botswana's most popular park, Chobe National Park. Offering wildlife in abundance, a day tour to Chobe includes a 4WD game safari, lunch and a boat safari on the Chobe River. Known for its large elephant population, Chobe National Park is worthy of its great reputation as a premier safari location.

## **Cruise the Chobe River**

Explore the waterways of Chobe National Park further by adding on a two or three-night river cruise on the Zambezi Queen or Chobe Princess houseboat. Relax on board as you view Botswana's wildlife from the water for a unique perspective.

## The Falls Experience - Ilala Lodge

## Day 1: Victoria Falls

On arrival at Victoria Falls airport you are met and transferred by shuttle service to your lodge, which is located within easy walking distance of Victoria National Park and town centre.

In the late afternoon you board a sunset dinner cruise on the Zambezi River. Sip on a refreshing cocktail while you watch for hippo, Nile crocodile and elephant, before enjoying a freshly prepared three-course meal. As you drift down the river, watching the incredible orange sunset, you really do feel that you are in Africa. The sunsets here are stunning, with the red soil of nearby Namibia providing deep orange skies. **Ilala Lodge - standard room (D).** 

## Ilala Lodge

One of the most popular properties in Victoria, Ilala Lodge is ideally situated on the Zimbabwean side of the Zambezi River, where it is the closest hotel to the Falls themselves and within walking distance of Victoria Falls town centre. This family-run lodge features colonial décor and landscaped gardens providing an aura of days gone by. Wild animals, such as warthog and impala, often graze on the hotel lawns and restaurant diners can see and hear the majestic roar of 'the smoke that thunders' in the background. Guests can enjoy a la carte cuisine at the lodge's The Palm Restaurant, featuring tranquil views and a wide-open terrace. The pool and pool bar offer respite from the region's humidity and the thatched roof main buildings offer pleasant areas to relax.

## Day 2: Victoria Falls

After breakfast you join an informative guided tour of Victoria Falls on the Zimbabwe side. Accompanied through the rainforest by a qualified guide you hear a brief history of the falls as well as information on the flora and fauna and other points of interest.

Victoria Falls represents one of the most spectacular natural wonders of the world. The local people call it 'Mosioa-Tunya'- the smoke that thunders. There is a magic about the Falls manifested in the towering column of spray when the river is high. Victoria Falls is 1,708 metres wide, making it the largest curtain of water in the world. It drops between 90m and 107m into the Zambezi Gorge and an average of 550,000 cubic metres of water plummet over the edge every minute. Remarkably preserved in its natural state, Victoria Falls inspires visitors as much today as it did David Livingstone in the 1860s. The Falls and the surrounding area has been declared a national park and a World Heritage Site.

You return to the lodge around 11:00am. There is time in the afternoon to relax or enjoy an optional excursion. This evening at 7.00 pm you are transferred to The Boma Restaurant for dinner. This barbeque style restaurant is a popular award-winning restaurant which includes a selection of traditional foods and a performance by the local Ndebele people, whose song and dance tell the folklore of the region during a colourful and energetic show. **Ilala Lodge - standard room (BD).** 

## Day 3: Victoria Falls

Today is at leisure to relax or enjoy an optional excursion (additional cost). Victoria Falls has become a mecca for travellers who enjoy the great outdoors. Extreme adventurers can enjoy bungee jumping, zip lining, white water rafting and a swing over an adjacent valley. Culture buffs can join informative visits to a nearby township, rural village or enjoy lunch with a local family.







Sightseeing options include scenic helicopter and micro light flights, which offer incredible views of the Falls. Wildlife can be viewed in 'big five' private game reserves, in the nearby Zambezi National Park or in Botswana's famous Chobe National Park on a full day excursion. **Ilala Lodge - standard room (B).** 

## **Day 4: Victoria Falls airport**

After breakfast and check-out you are transferred to Victoria Falls airport for your onward arrangements. (B).

## Passenger information:

- This pre-prepared travel itinerary is a private travel package. It is not a fully guided, group tour. There are shared service transfers and shared service day tours and game drives included within the itinerary.
- The ground operator may have to re-route the itinerary or change the accommodation in rare cases of non-availability.
- Prices may vary when booking seasons overlap. Bookings over Christmas, New Year and Easter incur holiday supplements.
- As prices are calculated in foreign currencies it may become necessary to add a currency surcharge.
- Prices for park fees and government taxes may be changed without prior notice. This is beyond our control and any increase levied will be passed on.
- Please request our full cancellation policy if required.