



## **14 day Mozambique Explorer**

### **Day 1/2 Swaziland – Hlane Royal National Park**

We depart Johannesburg and travel through scenic Mpumalanga until we reach the border to the Kingdom of Swaziland. Crossing the border we arrive at Hlane Royal National Park which is home to lion, elephant, white rhino and diverse birdlife. The 30,000 hectares Nature Reserve has a wide variety of optional activities available. Optional Activities: Hiking, Mountain Biking, Game Drives

Meals: Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Camp: Nature Reserve

Facilities: Good ablutions, hot showers

Route: Johannesburg to Swaziland. ±420 km

Travel time: ±8-9 hrs plus border crossing

### **Day 3/4 Mozambique – Praia do Tofo**

Today we will leave Swaziland behind us and cross into Mozambique. We will be travelling north alongside the ocean and experience the beautiful vistas of the Mozambique coast. In the late afternoon we arrive at our camp for the next two nights. There are many optional activities offered such as fishing, scuba diving and snorkeling. There is time to relax on the beautiful beach.

Optional Activities: Snorkeling, Fishing, Scuba Diving.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Camp: Bamboози

Facilities: Hot showers, flushing toilets, bar and restaurant at the hotel on the beach

Route: Hlane to Praia do Tofo. ±560 km

Travel time: ±7-8 hrs plus a border crossing (Long Day)

### **Day 5/6/7 Vilankulo - Bazaruto Archipelago**

We depart Praia do Tofo and drive north to Vilankulo. There is an opportunity to cross by dhow or speedboat to the islands of the Bazaruto Archipelago where we relax 'island style', snorkeling or soaking up the sun. Should you decide not to go to the islands then Vilankulo offers many interesting sights. Those who went to the islands will arrive back in Vilankulo fairly late and so we spend the night here before returning to the Inhambane area the next day. Optional Activities: Bazaruto Excursion  
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner (Own arrangements if you go on the excursion)  
Accommodation: Camp: Campismo do Vilankulo (Own arrangements if you go on the excursion)  
Facilities: Grassed camp, overlooks the beach, good ablutions, hot showers  
Route: Praia do Tofo to Vilankulo. ±330 km  
Travel time: ±6 hrs

### **Day 8/9 Inhambane**

Driving south through beautiful coconut plantations, we pass through the old European settlement of Inhambane, haunted by the memories of the old slave trade along the coast. In the early afternoon we arrive at our campsite, right on the beach, for the next two days. We will have a full day to partake in the various optional activities. Optional Activities: Scuba Diving, Horse Riding, Snorkeling, Fishing.  
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner  
Accommodation: Dorms: Barra Lodge  
Facilities: Overlooks the beach, swimming pool, bar, restaurant, good ablutions, hot showers  
Route: Vilankulo to Inhambane. ±300km  
Travel time: ±6 hrs

### **Day 10 Maputo**

From Inhambane we drive further south to the bustling capital of Moçambique, Maputo. We arrive in the capital, previously known as Lourenço Marques, in the afternoon where we will have time to explore and experience this truly African city. Maputo is still a poverty stricken city but is slowly recreating some of its former glory, after the war in the 1970 ♦s and 1980 ♦s. Highlights worth visiting are the Fort of Nossa Senhora da Conceicao, and the Central railway Station.  
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner  
Accommodation: Camp: Pensao Catembe or Maputo Backpackers  
Facilities: Good ablutions, hot showers  
Route: Inhambane to Maputo. ±550 km  
Travel time: ±6-7 hrs

### **Day 11/12 South Africa – Kruger National Park**

Today we return to South Africa to the world famous Kruger National Park, where we will do our best to see Africa's Big 5, lion, rhino, elephant, leopard and buffalo. The Kruger National Park is the most famous nature conservation area in the world. Two nights are spent in this

magnificent area enjoying African wildlife. Informative dawn game walks and night drives in the park (accompanied by a ranger) are offered as an optional. Optional Activities: Night Drive and Dawn Game Walks.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Camp: Kruger Park site

Facilities: Good ablutions, bank, laundry facilities, restaurant, shop, many camps have swimming pools.

Route: Maputo to Kruger NP. ±200 km

Travel time: ±4-5 hrs plus border crossing, then game driving in park

### **Day 13 Panorama Route - Cheetah Breeding Centre**

We leave the Kruger National Park behind us and visit a Cheetah breeding centre, where we take part in an educational tour on wildlife rehabilitation. We will be travelling the Panorama Route through some spectacular scenery. Blyde River Canyon, the 3rd largest canyon in the world, offers breathtaking view points, including God's Window and three Rondavels. The Bourke's Luck Potholes are the fascinating results of erosion caused by the Treur river. The camp for the night is in the heart of the Panorama Route.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Camp: Sabie Backpackers Lodge

Facilities: Good ablutions, swimming pool, bar

Route: Kruger NP to Sabie. ±250 km

Travel time: ±6 hrs (might be longer because of sightseeing)

### **Day 14 Johannesburg**

We leave the greater Kruger Park region and head back towards Johannesburg.

Although the tour ends, most groups will arrange dinner

together this evening in one of Johannesburg's many excellent restaurants.

Optional Activity: Meal out in Johannesburg

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Own Arrangements

Route: Sabie to Johannesburg. ± 500 km

Travel time: ±7-8 hrs

### **Tour dates:**

Departs: 20-Aug-2007 Returns: 02-Sep-2007	<b>AVAILABLE</b>
Departs: 03-Sep-2007 Returns: 16-Sep-2007	<b>AVAILABLE</b>
Departs: 17-Sep-2007 Returns: 30-Sep-2007	<b>AVAILABLE</b>
Departs: 01-Oct-2007 Returns: 14-Oct-2007	<b>AVAILABLE</b>
Departs: 15-Oct-2007 Returns: 28-Oct-2007	<b>AVAILABLE</b>
Departs: 29-Oct-2007 Returns: 11-Nov-2007	<b>AVAILABLE</b>
Departs: 12-Nov-2007 Returns: 25-Nov-2007	<b>AVAILABLE</b>
Departs: 26-Nov-2007 Returns: 09-Dec-2007	<b>AVAILABLE</b>
Departs: 10-Dec-2007 Returns: 23-Dec-2007	<b>AVAILABLE</b>