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This trip requires a valid passport and Visa for certain nationalities. ALL linen is provided as indicated, but **you will need a sleeping bag and pillow for the rest of the tour.**

Seasonal Malaria precautions are necessary and are locally obtainable.

A barrel bag or backpack is best suited for this trip (space is limited). An extra day bag or camera bag is advised.

Spending money required will be for the restaurant meals, drinks, visas, tips, curios, airport transfers, and any other optional excursions. Our price includes all food as specified, coffee, tea, juice at breakfast, transport, professional guides, moremi excursion, accommodation, group equipment, permits and park entrance fees.

Our price does not include restaurant meals where stipulated, visas, tips, curios, optional excursions, alcohol, bottled water and soft drinks, airport tax, airport transfers and airfares. Before departure clients will be required to sign the indemnity form for Sidewinding Travels.

Clients are required to have their own comprehensive personal travel insurance. (Proof will be required upon booking this tour.

DEPARTURE POINT

The 24 Day Southern African tour departs from the Sweetest Orange Guesthouse, 1 Bellevue Road, Sea Point, Cape Town, Western Cape, 8005, South Africa

Telephone number: **+27 21 434 1929**

email: info@sweetestguesthouses.co.za

ACCOMMODATION ON TOUR

Please note that linen will be provided at Sweet Orange Guesthouse

You will need a sleeping bag and pillow for the rest of the tour. The nights specified as accommodated on tour is a total upgrade from camping, but stays very basic.

- Batteries can be charged from a 220 volt source pre tour departure in CPT, on most nights at the lodges and every day on the truck while the truck is driving from a 12 V inverter.
- Currency exchange opportunities: Arrival at Cape Town Airport.
- Please note that Namibia accept South African Rand as the currency is 1 to 1 with SA.
- For Botswana you can exchange in Maun
- For Zimbabwe, it's a multiple currency system so any major world currency is accepted (Rand, Pula, US Dollar, Euro, British Pound) although they prefer the US Dollar
- Limited Laundry facilities: Maun & Victoria Falls (Essential washing only)
- Internet facilities: Pre night in Cape Town, Swakopmund & in Victoria Falls

ON SAFARI

All Sidewinding Tours run on a participation basis. This means that all the participants on the tour are required to assist with the duties on tour. These duties include:

- Cooking
- Washing of dishes
- Pitching of own tents
- Setting up camp
- Keeping vehicles clean

We are traveling in developing countries, and we try to ensure that we try and keep with the program. Sometimes due to unforeseen circumstances we will have to change or alter the program. When this happens we will ensure its safe and that you still get to do what was on the program.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

Please ensure that you are in possession of valid travel documents for all the countries, (Botswana, Zimbabwe and South Africa) that you will visit. If you have any queries in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact us. Please ensure that you have proof of further travel arrangements if you do not have a South African passport, permanent residency permit, work permit or study permit. Although we will endeavor to assist, we do not accept any liability or obligation for your travel documents.

- Telephone number:

Botswana Consulate in Johannesburg: (011)403-3748 / 9

Zimbabwe Trade mission in Johannesburg: (011)838-2156 / 9

- Or visit:

Botswana Tourism at www.botswanatourism.co.bw

Zimbabwe Tourism at www.zimbabwetourism.net

Zimbabwe/Zambia: Please inquire from your guide about the KAZA visa obtainable at the port of entry into Zimbabwe (this Visa allows you to enter Zambia as well if you should be interested)

Make sure that your passport has at least six months' validity from your planned date of return to your home country. Make two photocopies of valuable documents such as your passport, tickets, visas. Keep one copy with you in a separate place to the original and leave another copy with someone at home.

Please note that all guests travelling to South Africa will require two blank facing pages in their passport.

If there are any queries or uncertainty in this regard, please don't hesitate to contact us, we do not accept any liability or obligation for your travel documents.

Please ensure that you have proof of further travel arrangements if you do not have a Kenyan- passport, permanent residency permit, work permit or study permit.

Please ensure that your passport is valid for at least 6 months after the end of your tour and that there is sufficient space for stamps in your passport.

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FOREIGN CURRENCY

Upon arrival in any respective country we operate in, you will be able to find a Bureau de Change OR ATM Facilities at the airport or in the Town/City the tour is departing from. It is advised to bring any major world currency (US Dollar, Euro or British Pounds) in small denominations and not dated older than 2009. It is advised to get a small amount of local currency upon arrival just to get around until your tour starts.

On Tour: Please be advised that our guides will show you where it is the best to exchange any major world currency, either starting your tour or during your tour. Our guides will brief you exactly on where to exchange and roughly how much you will need to exchange after discussing possible optional activities, own expense meals or possible curio stops.

The preferred currencies are as follows:

- US Dollar – in small Denominations (\$10,20 or 50) and dated 2009 or later
- Euro – In small Denominations (€5, 10 or 20)

Credit cards are not favored in most parts of Southern Africa so please ensure you will have enough cash to buy good and possible gratuities.

Medication

The only necessary prophylaxis for Southern and Southern Africa is against Malaria (Botswana and Zimbabwe). Adequate chemo-prophylaxis are essential. Prevention is better than cure, in the early evenings, please put on your repellent. Please consult with your general practitioner regarding this. All our tourist guides have first aid boxes for use in emergencies, however we recommend that you bring along your own basic supply of medication, headache tablets etc.

***Personal medication

Please bring along any personal medication that you might need on your tour as specific medication could be difficult to find or might not be obtainable in most places we visit. General medication for headaches, colds etc is easy to find in the countries

Please also inform your guide of any medical conditions. This information will be received professionally and kept confidential.

INSURANCE

It is compulsory that all passengers make arrangements for adequate travel insurance to financially safeguard against unforeseen circumstances. If you need further information please do not hesitate to contact us. Sidewinding Travels do not accept responsibility for any loss, injury, damage, accident, fatality, delay or inconvenience experienced whilst on tour. You will be required to complete and sign a full indemnity prior to your tour departure.

We WISH YOU AN ENJOYABLE AFRICAN EXPERIENCE!