

# Southern Africa Odyssey

September 24-October 11, 2026

18 days for \$10,954 total price from San Francisco

(\$9,595 air & land inclusive plus \$1,359 airline taxes and fees)



An Exclusive Small Group Tour for Commonwealth Club World Affairs



### Dear Commonwealth Club World Affairs Travelers,

We invite you to join us on an exclusive 18-day small group journey into the heart of Southern Africa to experience the natural splendor and fascinating cultural heritage of four distinct nations: South Africa, Zimbabwe, Botswana, and Namibia.

Begin in Johannesburg with a full-day discovery of Soweto, where the seeds of South African freedom were sown. Encounter spectacular Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe with a guided walk, visit a local school to interact with children and teachers, and embark on a Sundowner cruise on the Zambezi River. Travel to Chobe National Park in Botswana, home to the world's largest elephant population, and spend time in remote Namibia viewing and climbing some of the world's highest crested sand dunes at Sossusvlei. Take a cruise along the storied Namibian coast before concluding with four nights in beautiful Cape Town, South Africa. An optional 4-day/3-night post-tour extension to the Kruger National Park region is also available.

Space is limited to 24 guests, and we expect this tour to fill quickly. Book today!

Sincerely,

Kustina Memeth

Kristina Nemeth, Director of Travel

### CLUB TRAVEL RESERVATION FORM: SOUTHERN AFRICA ODYSSEY

To reserve your place on tour, **please call Club Travel at (415) 597-6720 or e-mail travel@commonwealthclub.org.** Please have the information outlined below available to share with a Club Travel representative.

If you prefer, you may also complete this Reservation Form and submit it to Commonwealth Club World Affair's office. Once this request is received, a Travel Counselor from Odysseys Unlimited will contact you within two business days to review the tour information and provide you with a secure link to enter your credit card information. Your reservation is not confirmed until your deposit is paid and processed. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or VISA, or by personal check. If paying by check, please make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and include with the form. Final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure.

Send to: Commonwealth Club World Affairs

Attn: Club Travel 110 The Embarcadero San Francisco, CA 94105

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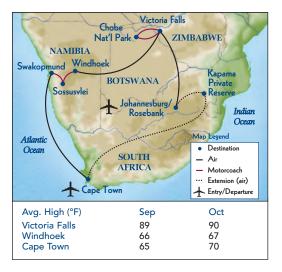
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It's a small group journey of astonishing beauty and consummate adventure, one that captures the magnificence of four distinct nations. It's nature's showcase come to life: ocean and mountains, desert and plains, waterfalls and wildlife extraordinaire. It's Southern Africa, where diversity reigns and where visitors are welcomed as never before.



### **Physical Activity Level**



Walk 1-3 miles per day, Optional dune walk in Sossusvlei can be challenging, Must climb short ladder to embark/disembark safari vehicle in Victoria Falls, Chobe, and on Optional Kruger Extension, Game drives in open safari vehicles over bumpy, often dusty roads

### Your Tour at a Glance

Day	Itinerary	Hotel	Rating
1	Depart U.S. for	Johannesburg	
2-3	Rosebank (Johannesburg)	54 on Bath	Deluxe
4-7	Victoria Falls	Victoria Falls Hotel	Deluxe
8	Windhoek	Windhoek Country Club	Sup. First Class
9-10	Sossusvlei	Sossusvlei Lodge	Sup. First Class
11-12	Swakopmund	Swakopmund Hotel	Sup. First Class
13-16	Cape Town	Pepperclub Hotel	Deluxe
17	Cape Town/Dep	oart for U.S. (overn	ight flight)
18	Arrive in U.S.		

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference.

Thursday, September 24: Depart U.S. for Johannesburg, South Africa

Friday, September 25: Arrive Johannesburg

Upon arrival we transfer to our hotel in the suburb of Rosebank, where our rooms will be ready for our early check-in. As guests' arrival times may vary greatly, we have no group activities planned. *B* 

### Saturday, September 26: Johannesburg/Soweto

We meet our fellow travelers today as we embark on a tour of the Soweto district of Johannesburg. Here we see the home of former Archbishop Desmond Tutu; visit the home, now a museum, of the late Nelson Mandela; and tour the moving Hector Pieterson Memorial and Museum, where we learn more about apartheid and the Soweto uprising of 1976. Then we hear fascinating stories from a local Sowetan who was present during the uprising, followed by lunch at a local restaurant. Tonight we enjoy a welcome dinner together. *B,L,D* 

**Sunday, September 27: Johannesburg/Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe** We fly this morning to Victoria Falls, first "discovered" by explorer David Livingstone and claimed for Great Britain's Queen Victoria in 1855. With its 300-foot-deep gorge and thundering spray, "Vic" Falls is a wonder of the natural world. This afternoon we see it for ourselves on a guided walk. *B,D* 

**Monday, September 28: Victoria Falls** This morning we visit a local school where we have the opportunity to interact with the children and teachers, then spend some time exploring the town of Victoria Falls. Late this afternoon we embark on a Sundowner dinner cruise on the Zambezi River. *B,D* 

**Tuesday, September 29: Victoria Falls** This morning we set off on a rhino safari in open-top safari vehicles. This afternoon is at leisure; this evening we attend a talk on David Livingstone's travels, trials, and travails. *B*,*D* 

Wednesday, September 30: Chobe National Park, Botswana Known for a diverse terrain that attracts an exceptional array of wildlife, Chobe National Park in nearby Botswana boasts one of the largest concentrations of game in all Africa, including the world's largest elephant population (some 120,000), as well as zebras,



Lions lounging in their natural habitat.

lions, hippos, giraffes, impalas, wildebeests, buffaloes, and more. We're sure to see some of them on today's full-day excursion to Chobe, where we take a morning game drive and an afternoon game cruise. *B*,*L*,*D* 

Thursday, October 1: Victoria Falls/Windhoek, Namibia Today we fly via Johannesburg to the Namibian capital of Windhoek, arriving late this evening. *B* 

**Friday, October 2: Windhoek/Namib Desert/ Sossusvlei** After a brief tour of Namibia's largest city, we set out through the central Namib Desert of vast gravel plains and rocky mountains. Isolated and immense, tranquil and romantic, this endless expanse offers a glimpse of a land before time. Late this afternoon we reach our lodge in the heart of the dune desert. *B,L,D* 

### Saturday, October 3: Namib Desert/Sossusvlei

We rise with the sun to see the world's highest crested dunes at Sossusvlei, their red-orange hues constantly changing in the early morning light. Here we have the opportunity to climb the velvet-like sand of Big Mama, as the locals call the largest dune. B,L,D

**Sunday, October 4: Sossusvlei/Swakopmund** We travel today through the Namib desert en route to Swakopmund, Namibia's largest port. *B,L,D* 

Monday, October 5: Swakopmund/Walvis Bay/
Namibian Coast From Walvis Bay this morning, we take a cruise along the storied Namibian coast, getting a mariner's perspective on this striking region known by local tribespeople as "the land God created in anger." Along the way we'll see Cape fur seals and sea birds, including petrels. We enjoy lunch on board before disembarking and returning to Swakopmund, where the remainder of the day is at leisure. *B*,*L* 

**Tuesday, October 6: Swakopmund/Cape Town, S.A.** We fly today to Cape Town, the "Mother City" and South Africa's oldest. After we check in at our hotel, the remainder of the day is at leisure. *B* 

### Wednesday, October 7: Cape Town/The Winelands

Today we tour the Winelands, South Africa's renowned wine-growing region just 45 miles east of Cape Town. Amidst the beautiful scenery, we visit a winery for a tour, tasting, and lunch. We return to Cape Town mid-afternoon; dinner tonight is on our own in this cosmopolitan city. *B*,*L* 

### **Post-Tour Extension**

October 11-14, 2026

### Kapama Private Game Reserve

4 days/3 nights for \$2,295 total price Single Supplement: \$795

Experience the magnificence of the South African bush and "Big Five" game country at a unique luxury tented camp.

### **Your Tour Price Includes**

- Round-trip air transportation to/from Hoedspruit (near Kruger), inclusive of airline taxes and fees
- 3 nights' accommodations at Kapama Southern Camp (Deluxe)
- 8 meals: 3 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 3 dinners
- 5 guided game drives (in open safari vehicles)
- Services of the lodge's excellent staff
- Transfers to/from airport



# THERE IS A PROFOUND SENSE OF SPACE HERE. SPACE AND SKY."

– Тнаво Мвекі

Thursday, October 8: Cape Town/Cape of Good Hope This morning we travel to the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve, home to more than 250 species of birds, and where we ride a funicular to the summit for stupendous views. After a seafood lunch in historic Simon's Town, we visit Boulders Beach to see a colony of enchanting African penguins up close. Then we return to Cape Town, where we dine together tonight. *B,L,D* 

Friday, October 9: Cape Town Our tour of Cape Town this morning features a visit to the Bo-Kaap neighborhood, the city's historical center of Cape Malay culture. We also pay a visit to acclaimed Kirstenbosch National Botanical Garden, nestled against the eastern slopes of Table Mountain. One of the world's great botanic gardens, Kirstenbosch champions South Africa's rich biodiversity as it cultivates



Elephants abound at Chobe.

### **Your Tour Price Includes**

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities; all flights within itinerary
- 15 nights' accommodations in Deluxe and Superior First Class hotels
- 34 meals: 16 breakfasts, 8 lunches, 10 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers
- Guest lectures and/or briefings
- Club representative at 15 guests



We spend the afternoon of Sunday, September 27 at Victoria Falls.

only native plants. Then we enjoy glorious bird's-eye views of Cape Town as we ride by cable car 3,500 feet to the flat top of the city's signature Table Mountain. This afternoon is at leisure; tonight, we celebrate our Southern Africa odyssey at a farewell dinner. *B*,*D* 

**Saturday, October 10: Depart for U.S.** We transfer to the airport today for our return flights to the U.S. B

**Sunday, October 11: Arrive U.S.** We arrive in the U.S. today and connect with our flights home.

### Tour Departs: September 24, 2026

Prices include int'l airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees.

San Francisco, Los Angeles, Seattle	\$10,954
Boston, New York, Washington, DC	\$10,554
Chicago	\$10,854
Land Only (transfers not included)	\$9,095

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of \$1,359, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add \$1,895. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Airline upgrades on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: Business Class – \$5,995 per person from Chicago, Dallas, Houston, New York; \$6,995 all other cities. (upgrades are subject to availability and pricing is subject to change). Upgrade costs are in addition to the costs above.

Please contact Odysseys Unlimited for information on our new Flexible Travel program, which allows you to arrive on tour up to three days before your tour begins and/or extend your stay after touring ends.

Contact Club Travel at 415-597-6720

travel@commonwealthclub.org www.commonwealthclub.org/travel

# **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

The following is intended to provide you with a description of what to expect when you reserve this tour. Upon booking, you will be asked to acknowledge your acceptance of the full Terms and Conditions on the secure on-line portal, My Odyssey.

Not Included in Tour Price: Airfare when purchasing a Land Only package; costs of passports and visas; immunizations and inoculations; personal expenses such as beverages, laundy, room service, and meals not specified; airport transfers when purchasing a Land Only packes; communication charges; optional sightseeing; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuites; \$10.\$15 per traveler, per day); and travel protection insurance. Additional baggage fees may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airlines; prior to departue. Cancellations, Refunds, and Changes: If you must cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.'s receipt of your nordifactor. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person changes: cancel 364 ags on the before departures: \$200 change, cancel 64-30 days before departures. 50% of tour prices: cancel 64-30 days before departures: 75% of tour prices: cancel 64-30 days before departure. 75% of tour prices: cancel 64-30 days before departure: 0 or effund. If you make any changes to your reservation from 94 to 30 days prior to departure. Odysseys to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If you make any changes to your reservation from 94 to 30 days prior to departure. Odysseys to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason, you will be charged the single supplement. No changes are allowed within 30 days of departure. Upon reservation, you must provide your full legal amms as it appears on your you will be responsible for charges associated with the titled's reissue.

Eligibility: We require membership in Commonwealth Glub World Affairs to travel with us. People who live outside of the Bay Area may purchase a radioral membership. To learn about membership types and to purchase a membership, visit commonwealthclub.org/membership or call (415) 597-6720.

Insurance: We strongly recommend the purchase of trip cancellation insurance, which is available for coverage of expenses in conjunction with cancellation due to lilness or accident. Baggage insurance is also recommended. In the event you must cancel your participation in the travel program, trip cancellation insurance may be your only source of reinbursement. You will be sent information about insurance upon registration.

Responsibility: The liability of Commonwealth Club World Affairs, as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, and restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under our control. We serve only as agents for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contradors, or of their employees, agents, servents, or representatives, Commonwealth Club World Affairs and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. aer not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within our control, including, without limitation, acts of ferrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the negligence or default of independent suppliers. We will make every effort to operate our tours as planned but we reserve the right to make interary charges as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require us to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality.

Health and Medical Issues: We request that you be in good health to participate in this tour. There is a significant amount of walking and you must be able to get on and off motocoaches and boats on your own as well as Keep poece with the four group. We reger that we cannot offer individual assistance; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that many of our tour timeraries, for reasons beyond our control, do not accommade whelchairs. Please call or e-mail us to inquire and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have. We reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical or mental condition, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoymen for safety of the other passengers. In that event, Commonwealth Club World Affairs and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour.

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