

ELYSIAN SAFARIS

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THE VICTORIA FALLS & MATETSI EXPEDITION

7 Days | Available Year-Round | $9,850 per person (double occupancy)

Overview: A breathtaking 7-day expedition blending timeless colonial elegance in the Stables Signature Rooms at The Victoria Falls Hotel with ultra-luxury riverfront sanctuary and visionary wilderness stewardship along the mighty Zambezi River.

A Note from the Founder
At Elysian Safaris, our expeditions transform twelve years of continental expertise and deep family roots into absolute trust. We design exclusively for those who wish to breathe in the pure and sublime soul of Africa.

Here, we present **The Victoria Falls & Matetsi Expedition**, a carefully crafted 7-day journey bridging a global natural wonder with an exceptional sanctuary of conservation and luxury. This rare path begins in the timeless elegance of The Victoria Falls Hotel—featuring the historic Stables Signature Rooms—before carrying you upstream to the pristine wilderness of Matetsi Private Game Reserve.

Spanning a magnificent 136,000-acre private concession along the Zambezi River, Matetsi stands as a triumph of dedicated ecological stewardship and active anti-poaching protection, ensuring this untouched habitat remains a flourishing haven for Africa's iconic wildlife. Here, ultra-luxury suites with private plunge pools look out over sweeping river bends, offering an intimate, exclusive-access safari experience situated at the very heart of the greater Zambezi wilderness.

Reserved exclusively for private bookings—ideal for couples, families, or close friends—with departures available year-round. **The comprehensive day-by-day itinerary and curated investment details await you at the conclusion of this lookbook.**

— Michael Fortin
Founder & Director, Elysian Safaris
Elegant Adventure.



day 1&2



NATURAL WONDER OF THE WORLD









COLONIAL ELEGANCE AT THE VICTORIA FALLS HOTEL

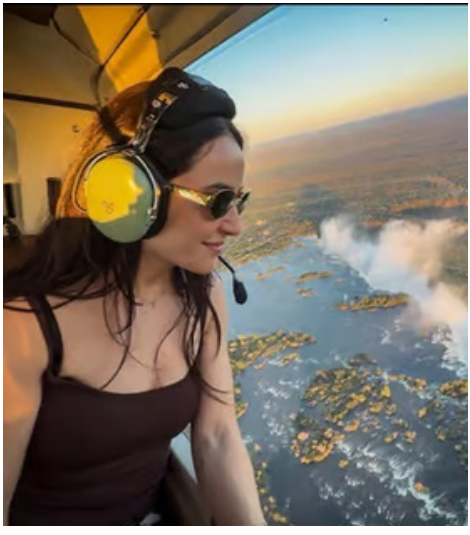






EVENING CRUISE ON THE ZAMBEZI



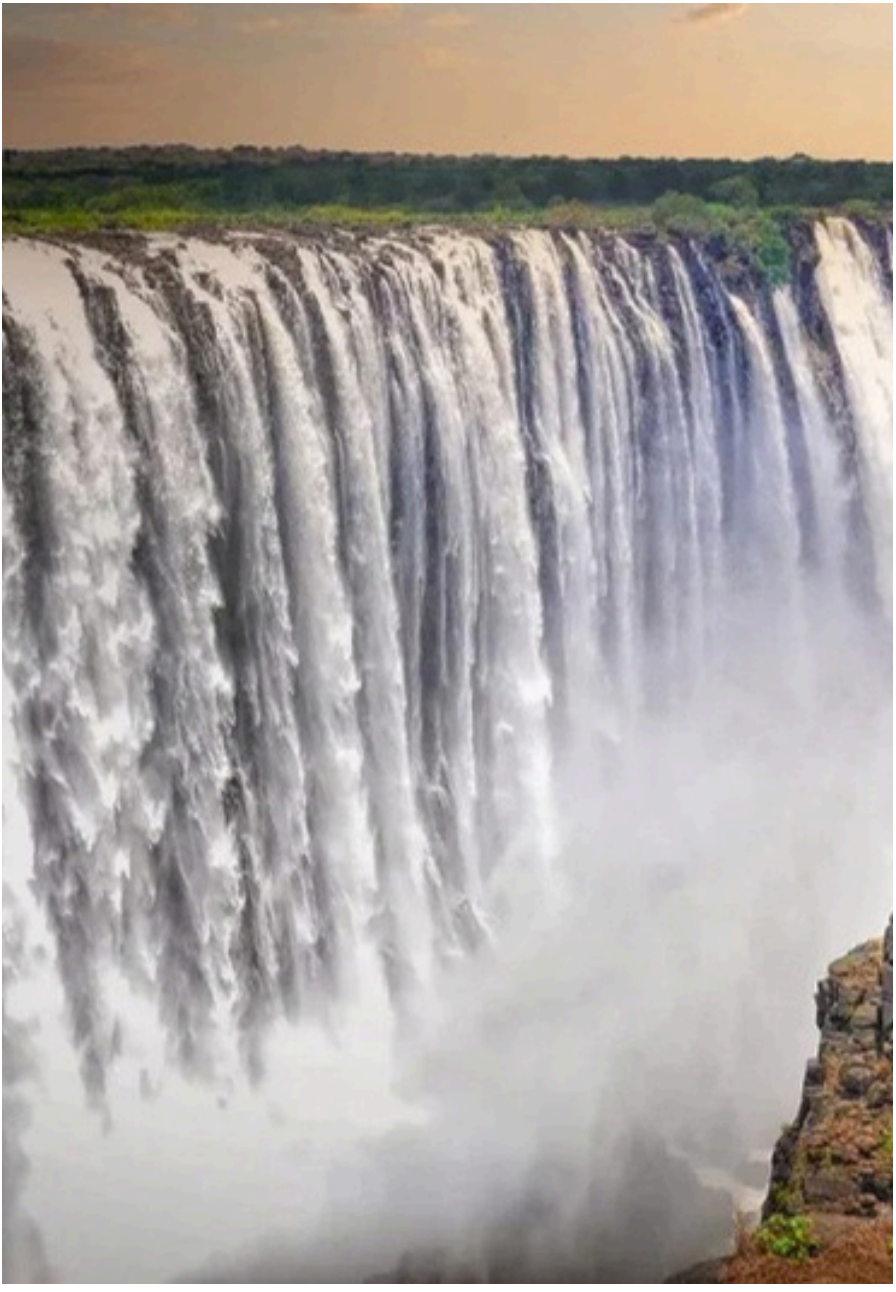


FLIGHT OF THE ANGELS





PRIVATE GUIDED RAINFOREST TOUR



“THE SMOKE THAT THUNDERS”

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UPSTREAM TO MATETSI



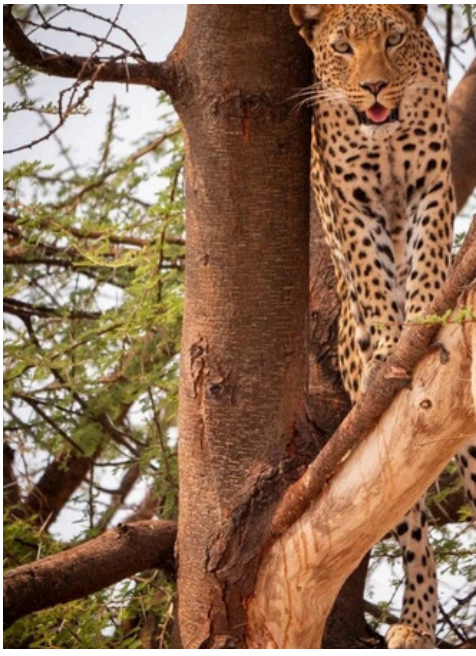


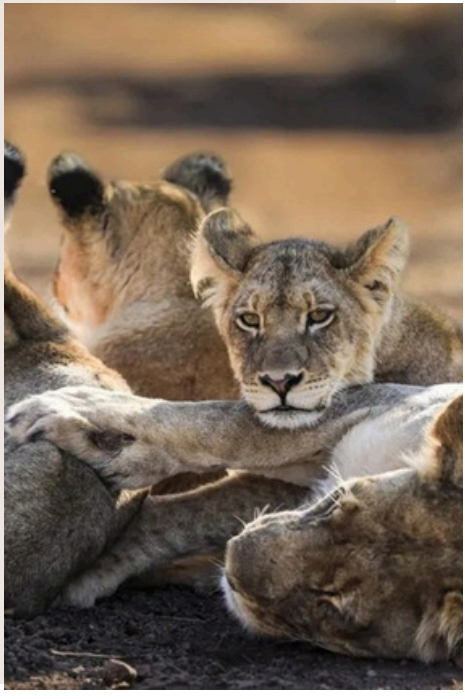




LUXURY RIVERFRONT CHALET AT MATETSI





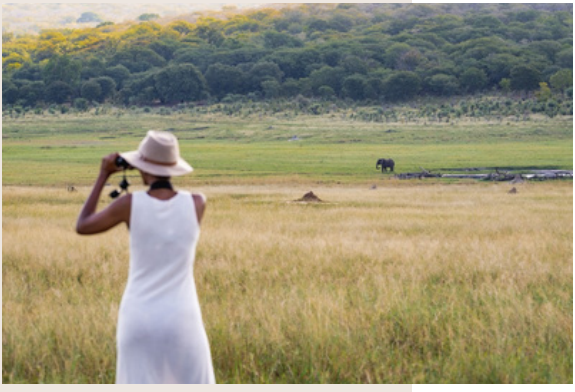




THE WHISPERED WILD

THE TIMELESS REALM OF THE WILD







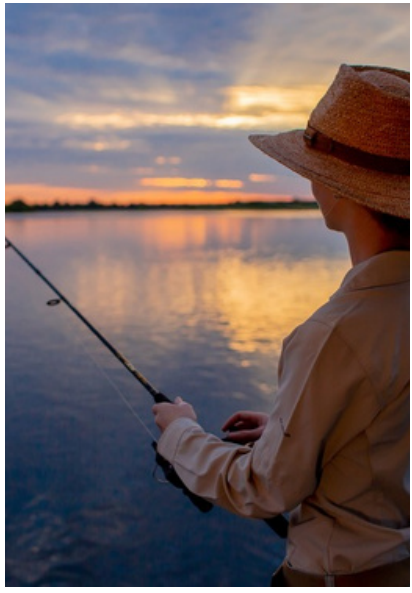


THE ZAMBEZI RHYTHM











THE ART OF UNWINDING
RIVER SILK & GOLDEN HOURS





A GRACEFUL DEPARTURE

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THE VICTORIA FALLS & MATETSI EXPEDITION (7 Days)

- **Day 1: Airport Arrival, Falls & Zambezi Explorer Sunset Cruise —** Arrive at Victoria Falls International Airport for your executive private transfer to The Victoria Falls Hotel (Stables Signature Rooms), followed by a sunset river cruise on the uppermost Signature Deck of the flagship Zambezi Explorer, featuring gourmet canapés and premium beverages.
- **Day 2: Flight of the Angels & Falls Tour —** Experience the breathtaking 'Flight of the Angels' helicopter flight over the chasm, followed by a private guided rainforest tour of Victoria Falls.
- **Day 3: Upstream Sanctuary —** Embark on a seamless private transfer from Victoria Falls into the pristine 136,000-acre Matetsi Private Game Reserve, settling into your luxury riverfront suite followed by an intimate afternoon wildlife river safari along the private water's edge.
- **Day 4: Into the Wild Heart —** Expert-led 4x4 game drives tracking apex predators and massive elephant herds along the Zambezi.
- **Day 5: River Rhythms & Starlight —** Enjoy slow morning wellness, golden-hour game viewing, and an intimate candlelit dinner under the stars.
- **Day 6: The Living Bush —** Specialized tracking and private water-based wilderness exploration in Africa's most exclusive reserve
- **Day 7: A Graceful Farewell —** Morning breakfast overlooking the river before your private transfer carries you onward to the airport.

Departure Season & Operational Window
January through December Departures: Operating seamlessly across the seasons—from the lush emerald months of rich birdlife, newborn wildlife, and the thunderous, mist-crowned majesty of high water at the Falls, to the dry winter months of exceptional game tracking along the permanent waters of the Zambezi.

Essential Travel Notes
- **Wellness**: We recommend a brief consultation with your travel clinic prior to departure to review standard regional health guidelines and keep your preparations effortless.
- **Visas & Currency**: Visas on arrival cost $30 for US and EU citizens. USD is widely accepted throughout Zimbabwe.

The Expedition Investment

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All-Inclusive Private Journey: $9,850 per person (double occupancy)

Master Inclusions

- **Seamless Transfers & Skyways:** Executive airport arrival/departure transfers and a seamless private chauffeured transfer straight into the pristine Matetsi Private Game Reserve.
- **Fully Arranged Activities:** All scheduled excursions, park entry fees, private guided tours, a sunset river cruise on the Zambezi Explorer Signature Deck, a breathtaking helicopter flight over the Falls, wildlife river safaris, and expert-led game drives.
- **Luxury Accommodations:** 2 nights in the exclusive Stables Signature Wing at The Victoria Falls Hotel (featuring private check-in, complimentary afternoon tea, a spa voucher, and private walking path access to the Falls), followed by 4 nights in a magnificent luxury riverfront suite at Matetsi Victoria Falls, perched right on the banks of the Zambezi.
- **Refined Dining & Cellar:** Flexible culinary options on a Bed & Breakfast basis at The Victoria Falls Hotel, followed by fully inclusive dining at Matetsi, featuring an extensive selection of fine wines, craft spirits, and cocktails.
- **Expedition Conveniences:** Complimentary daily laundry service while at Matetsi and all park and reserve conservation fees.

Personal Exclusions

- International flights to/from Zimbabwe and visa fees
- Personal travel and emergency evacuation insurance
- Lunches, dinners, and laundry during your stay at The Victoria Falls Hotel
- Personal shopping and guide/staff gratuities

Securing Your Suite

Expeditions are reserved strictly on a first-preference basis. A non-refundable deposit of **$2,500 per person** secures your reservation, with the remaining balance of **$7,350 per person** due 90 days prior to departure.



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