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### Discover Mozambique 12 days -11 nights Maputo, Elephant Reserve, Gorongosa, Beira, Mozambique Island Safari, Nature, Adventure, Discovery

This program may be operated for individuals or for groups This is a suggested itinerary

If you are looking for a truly unique African adventure in an unknown location - look no further. That's right, Mozambique! "Mozambique is fast becoming the Cinderella of adventure travel in Africa - with a world-famous Park, sublime areas for scuba diving, and a sea coast that is second to none." - National Geographic Adventure

### Day 1: Maputo

Arrival in Maputo. Welcome and transfer to your hotel. Relaxing afternoon by the sea. Free meals and accommodation at the hotel. [L/D]

### Day2: Maputo

In this busy city (nicknamed "New York of Africa") the testimonies of the colonial past remain numerous. You just have to walk around the city center to realize it! The buildings seem to come directly from the 19th century, in particular those of Central Station and the Post Office. Do not miss Our-Lady of Fatima Cathedral, a Catholic church built in 1944 whose whiteness stands out from the mass of other buildings. But Maputo is also essentially African. We especially feel it in the markets that dot its streets. Continue to the "Baixa" (downtown) are near the busy harbor to walk the Central Market, a very picturesque place, where you will find of course all seafood, but also fruits, vegetables, sculptures and products from local crafts such as baskets. The building itself, built at the very beginning of the 20th century, is impressive. Stop for lunch at one of the local restaurants before visiting Tunduru Botanical Garden, very shaded and particularly appreciated for its freshness, especially in summer! Enjoy a few moments of calm before a visit to the most typical fish marker where you'll find all kinds of species straight out of the sea. You will also find them at the tables in the Costa del Sol quarter, with view over the Indian Ocean and palm trees, with several restaurants offering fish and shell-fish caught, prepared and cooked by the people who serve you! Have dinner at one of them before returning to your hotel for overnight. [B/L/D]

# Day 3: Maputo (Elephant Reserve)

Today, we head south to the Elephant reserve covering an area of 259 thousand acres of natural landscape comprising wonderful sandy soiled forests and mangroves, swamps and vegetated parabolic dunes. The elephant is the most charismatic species in the reserve, even though the visitors can also observe zebras, giraffes, hippopotami, crocodiles and a variety of antelopes and birds, like the famous African fish eagle. Along the coastline, there are several locations prepared to host visitors that offer an ideal place for lunch along the crystal-clear waters. After the afternoon game drive return to Maputo for dinner and overnight at the hotel. [B/L/D]

### Day 4: Maputo, Beira, Gorongosa

After breakfast you'll be driven to the airport for a 1-hour flight to Beira where our guide will pick you up for a 3½-hour transfer to the Gorongosa National Park. Check-in and have lunch. In the afternoon take your first game drive. Relax before dinner at the camp. Overnight in Gorongosa.. [B/L/D]

Located in the Province of Sofala, the Gorongosa National Park is one of the biggest success stories in the restoration of wildlife in Africa. In 2008, a 20-year public-private partnership for managing the Park was established between the Government and the Carr Foundation, with the objective of ensuring the biodiversity conservation and stimulate ecotourism in Gorongosa. The Park's unique biodiversity, including dense savannahs, acacias and charismatic carnivore and herbivore species, as well as hundreds of bird species, brings, each year, tourists that really enjoy being in contact with Providing Fascinating Travel Experiences

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nature. The Gorongosa National Park is considered by many the Mozambican Serengeti, with a stunning diversity of species and landscapes.

## Day 5-6: Gorongosa

Two days at the park to enjoy game drives guided by specialized park rangers. Take advantage of the relaxing pre-sunset periods with a refreshing dink in the balcony or at the bar before a dinner prepared with local vegetables, meats and fish. All meal are included. [B/L/D]

## Day 7: Gorongosa, Beira

Morning at the park for a last game drive. After lunch you'll be transferred to your hotel in Beira for dinner and overnight. [B/L/D]

# Day 8: Beira, Nampula, Mozambique Island

This morning, take a 75-minute flight to Nampula. On arrival you'll be met by our representative who will take you a 2½-hour drive to Mozambique island arriving in time for lunch. Relax by the pool or the beach enjoying the magnificent Indian Sea climate. Dinner and overnight at the hotel. [B/L/D]

### Day 9: Mozambique Island

After breakfast, our guide will meet you at the hotel to take you on a sightseeing tour of the Island. The historical and cultural singularity and the valuable architectural heritage, make the Island a UNESCO World Heritage Site. In addition to the fortifications, among the various constructions, the Chapel of Nossa Senhora do Baluarte, inside the fortress, stands out. Other outstanding buildings are the Palace and the Chapel of S. Paulo, Church of Mercy, St. Domingos Convent, currently the local Court, Church of Nossa Senhora da Saúde, the Central Mosque or Grand Mosque, the Hindu Temple, the old warehouse and the Slaves' House. In 2007, the building of Garden of Memory, represented a

significant landmark in homage to the "rescue and redemption of black humanity" and, at the same time, evoking the preservation of the cultural diversity of peoples. Return to the hotel for lunch. Free afternoon to relax. Dinner and overnight at the hotel. [B/L/D]

# Day 10: Mozambique Island

Free day to enjoy the island, practice water sports or just relax. Lunch at the hotel. In the evening uur guide will take you to a local restaurant to enjoy a typical shell-fish dinner. Overnight at the hotel. [B./L/D]

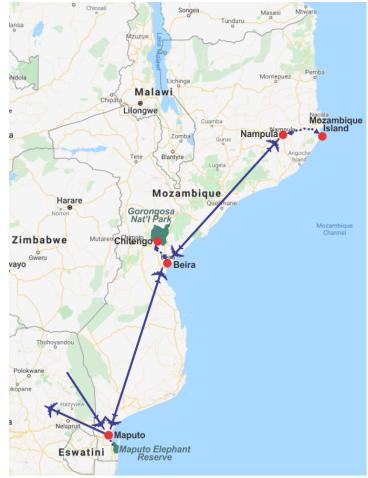
### Day 11: Mozambique Island, Nampula, Maputo

After breakfast, transfer to Nampula to board your flight to Maputo where you'll be met and driven to your hotel. [B/D]

# Day 12: Maputo, USA

At the appointed time you'll be driven to the airport to board your connecting flight to the USA. [B]

[B] Breakfast | [B/D] = Breakfast and Dinner | [L/D] = Lunch and Dinner | [B/L/D] = Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



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## Your Tour includes:

- The welcome and assistance at the airport
- Arrival and departure transfers
- Road transfers between Beira and Gorongosa NP & between Nampula and Mozambigue Island
- Domestic round-trip flights MPM/BEW & BEW/APL
- 12 nights' accommodation:
  - o Maputo 4
  - o Gorongosa 3 nights
  - o Beira I night
  - Mozambique Island 3 nights
- Meals
  - o Breakfast daily
  - o 10 lunches
  - o Dinner daily
- Sightseeing of Maputo
- Excursion to Elephant Reserve

- Gorongosa game drives
- Sightseeing of Mozambique Island

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- Local English-speaking guide in Maputo
- Experienced English-speaking ranger guides in the Elephant Reserve and Gorongosa
- Entrance fees to Limpopo Park
- Hotel taxes and service

### Price does not include:

- International airfares
- Any taxes related to airfares or airports
- Meals not mentioned under inclusions
- Travel Insurance
- Visas
- Tips to guides or drivers
- Expenses of a personal nature
- Any item not mentioned as "Included"
- Optional excursions

# Hotels in your Tour

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Location	Hotel Name	Tripadvisor
Maputo	Southern Sun Maputo Hotel	4,5
Gorongosa	Montebelo Gorongosa Lodge	4
Beira	Ranis Hotel	4.5
Mozambique Island	Coral Lodge	5

Hotels will be confirmed at time of booking

# **Tour Prices:**

These programs can be customized for individuals and groups.

Changes to this program may be requested by phone (1855-55-TOURS) or using the web FIT Quote Request

• Airfare

We also be glad to add the necessary airfare from your gateway so you take advantage of our special discounted leisure fares

### • Program

- You may add or remove;
  - o Trip days
  - o Cities and sites
  - o Meals

### • Other options

- The program was designed with private services, however, we may substitute shared sightseeing where available
- If you prefer deluxe services we may operate this program including private driver, private guide and concierge service.

• Quotation

Once we have designed the program the way you want we'll give you a quote within 2 business days.



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## Options:

- Lunches and dinners can be arranged for individuals, families and groups at top restaurants or any restaurant requested by you.
- We can revise the itinerary to spend more time and provide more depth in those areas that you are interested on.
- Any other changes to the itinerary will be accommodated depending on the facilities available in the area.

# **Group Quotations**

- If you wish to use these programs for your group or as the basis for a customized journey please either call us (1-855-55-TOURS or use the web Group Quote Request.
- In either case our specialists will work with to refine all the details and they will get you a quote with 2 business days. Quotes may be obtained for the air and land portions of just for the lad journey.
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